

SCHEDULE OF SIDE EVENTS

to take place during the
SUPPLEMENTARY HUMAN DIMENSION MEETING

**FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA:
 PROTECTION OF JOURNALISTS AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION
 Vienna, 13-14 July 2006**

The Helsinki Document of 1992 (Chapter IV) called for increasing the openness of OSCE activities and expanding the role of NGOs. In particular, in paragraph (15) of Chapter IV the participating States decided to facilitate during CSCE meetings informal discussion meetings between representatives of participating States and of NGOs, and to provide encouragement to NGOs organizing seminars on CSCE-related issues. In line with this decision, NGOs, governments, and other participants are encouraged to organize side meetings on relevant issues of their choice.

The opinions and information shared during the side events convened by participants do not necessarily reflect the policy of the OSCE/ODIHR and OSCE/FOM

Thursday, 13 July 2006		Thursday, 13 July 2006	
Title: <u>Freedom of the Media of National Minorities: The case of freedom of expression of national minorities and the freedom of media of Roma Ashkalie Egyptians in Kosovo</u>		Title: <u>Freedom of the Media in Turkmenistan</u>	
Convener: ODIHR Contact Point on Roma and Sinti Issues		Convener: Republican Party of Turkmenistan	
Time: 13.00 - 15.00		Time: 13.00 - 15.00	
Venue: Segmentgalerie 1		Venue: Room 201	
Language: English - Romani		Language: English - Russian	
Friday, 14 July 2006			
Title: <u>Television across Europe</u>			
Convener: OSI - Open Society Institute			
Time: 12.00 - 14.00			
Venue: Segmentgalerie 1			
Language: English - Russian			
Friday, 14 July 2006		Friday, 14 July 2006	
Title: <u>Reporting Diversity in the Media</u>		Title: <u>Media Coverage of Anti-Terrorism Issues: A Human Rights Perspective</u>	
Convener: ODIHR Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Unit		Convener: ODIHR Human Rights Department	
Time: 12.00 - 13.00		Time: 13.00 - 14.00	
Venue: Room 201		Venue: Room 201	
Language: English		Language: English	

OVERVIEW OF SIDE EVENTS

As submitted by the organisers

13 – 14 July 2006

Hofburg, Vienna

The side events below have been exclusively organized and scheduled at the request of participants of the Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting. The content for each meeting was prepared by the organization convening the events and does not reflect the views of the OSCE, FOM and ODIHR

Thursday, 13 July 2006

Time: 13.00 - 15.00
Venue: Segmentgalerie 1
Title: **Freedom of Media of National Minorities:
The case of Freedom of Expression of National Minorities and
the of Freedom of Media of Roma Ashkalie Egyptians in Kosovo**
Convenor: ODIHR CPRSI
Language: English – Romani

Summary:

There will be a presentation relating to Freedom of Expression and Freedom of Media that are part of the political platform of Kosovo Roma, Ashkalie Forum and the Roma Ashkalie Documentation Center. This political platform is an input of the current programme of comprehensive strategy for Roma Ashkalie Egyptians in Kosovo. It is a joint working process undertaken by the Kosovo provisional self-government institutions and OSCE Mission in Kosovo. The side event is a follow-up to the meetings that was organized in cooperation with the OSCE ODIHR RS Contact Point and the European Roma and Travellers Forum during the recent SHDM on Human Rights Defenders

Refreshments will be provided

Thursday, 13 July 2006

Time: 13.00 - 15.00
Venue: Room 201
Title: Mass Media in Turkmenistan
Convenor: Republican Party of Turkmenistan
Language: English – Russian

Summary:

This side event aims at updating OSCE participating States with current freedom of the media situation in Turkmenistan. Short presentation and first hand information will be provided by Mrs. Tatiana Shikhmuradova, spouse of former Vice Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan Ambassador Boris Shikhmuradov.

Friday, 14 July 2006

Time: 12.00 - 14.00
Venue: Segmentgalerie 1
Title: **Television across Europe:
Regulation, Policy and Independence
Presentation of the EUMAP report on Television in Europe**
Convenor: Open Society Institute
Language: English – Russian (simultaneous translation)

Summary:

Presentation by the authors, and debate, on the findings and recommendations included in the Open Society Institute monitoring report “Television across Europe: regulation, policy and independence”.

Agenda:

Keynote speaker:

Miklós Haraszti (OSCE Representative on Freedom of Media)

Presenters:

- Mark Thompson (Independent Consultant on EUMAP report): Principal findings and recommendations of "Television Across Europe"
- Giulio Enea Vigevani (EUMAP reporter for Italy, Professor University of Milano-Bicocca): Television in Italy: main conclusions
- Snjezana Milivojevic (EUMAP reporter for Serbia, Associate Professor University of Beograd): Television in Serbia: main conclusions
- Rasto Kuzel (EUMAP reporters from Slovakia, MEMO 98 Bratislava): Television in Slovakia: main conclusions

Questions and debate

Copies of the report, which covers 20 European countries, will be available at the event.

The report is also available online at www.eumap.org.

Refreshments will be provided

Friday, 14 July 2006

Time: 12.00 – 13.00
Venue: Room 201
Title: **Reporting Diversity in the Media**
Convenor: ODIHR Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Unit
Language: English

Summary:

The event will stimulate discussion on how media professionals can respond to the challenges of reporting on increasingly pluralistic societies fairly and accurately. The event will assess the role of media in driving forward inclusive processes, contributing to community cohesion, and will also present examples of practical working tools for journalists.

Speakers:

Mr. Ehsan Masood (independent journalist) - to present the Media Guide on British Muslims
Mr. Joseph Grieboski - to present the Charter on Freedom of Expression and Journalistic Ethics in Relation to Respect for Religion or Belief
Moderator: Jo-Ann Bishop, Head of the Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Programme, OSCE-ODIHR

Refreshments will be provided

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Venue: Room 201
Title: **Media Coverage of Anti-Terrorism Issues:
A Human Rights Perspective**
Convenor: ODIHR Human Rights Department
Language: English

Summary:

This side-event will focus on the issues of media responsibility and the 'balance' of freedom of expression/right to public information on the one hand and the right to a fair trial (with an unbiased jury) on the other. The speakers will focus on the impact of anti-terrorism legislation on media reporting as well as on the impact of biased, sensationalist and highly emotional media coverage (of terrorism-related issues) on the daily work of defence lawyers, particularly in relation to (terrorism) suspects receiving a fair trial.

Speakers:

Mr John Battle, Head of Compliance, ITN, London
Mr Michel Massih QC, Barrister, Took's Chambers, London
Moderator: Christopher Michaelsen, Human Rights Officer (Anti-Terrorism), ODIHR.

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