

HUMAN DIMENSION SEMINAR

MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION

Warsaw, 11-13 May 2005

To non-governmental organizations

We are pleased to inform you that on 11-13 May, 2005 The OSCE ODIHR organizes Human Dimension Seminar on the subject of "*Migration and Integration*". The Seminar will be held in Warsaw, at "Sofitel Victoria" Hotel, ul. Królewska 11.

The aim of the seminar is to review concepts, challenges and best practices related to integration of legal migrants into receiving society across the OSCE region, including legal and socio-cultural aspects of integration policies, participation of legal migrants in public life of the receiving society, as well as inter- and intra-state co-operation frameworks for protecting legal migrants and supporting their more efficient integration.

The entire information package, including the annotated agenda, timetable and organizational modalities, is posted on ODIHR's website at <u>http://www.osce.org/odihr</u>.

We encourage those NGOs whose activities directly relate to the topic of the Seminar and wish to attend, to register for this event on-line at <u>http://meetings.odihr.pl</u>.

NGOs may display information materials about their organization on the tables in the lobby of the main meeting room. NGOs may also distribute documents during the Seminar by giving one copy of each document (maximum 3 pages in length) to the staff of the Document Distribution Centre. In addition, a fully equipped NGO room will be available during the whole Seminar.

Unfortunately, the ODIHR is <u>not in the position to provide any financial assistance</u> <u>for NGOs to participate in this seminar</u>. For your convenience, the list of hotels in Warsaw and reservation forms are posted on ODIHR's website. You are kindly requested to make your own hotel arrangements.

For further information, regarding registration, please contact Anna Sierant, Administrative Assistant, at tel: +4822 520 0600, ext. 4121 or e-mail: <u>Anna.Sierant@odihr.pl</u>

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DECISION No. 667/Corrected reissue* AGENDA, TIMETABLE AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2005 HUMAN DIMENSION SEMINAR

Migration and Integration

(Warsaw, 11 to 13 May 2005)

I. Agenda

- 1. Opening of the Seminar
- 2. Opening plenary: Keynote interventions
- 3. Discussion in four working groups
- 4. Closing plenary: Summing up and closing of the Seminar

II. Timetable and other organizational modalities

1. The Seminar will open in Warsaw on Wednesday, 11 May 2005, at 10 a.m. It will close on Friday, 13 May 2005, at 6 p.m.

2. All plenary sessions and working group sessions will be open.

3. The closing plenary, scheduled for Friday afternoon, will focus on practical suggestions and recommendations for addressing the issues discussed during the working group sessions.

4. The plenary and working group sessions will take place in accordance with the work programme below.

5. An ODIHR representative will chair the plenary sessions.

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6. Standard OSCE rules of procedure and working methods will be applied at the Seminar.

7. Discussions during the plenary and working group sessions will be interpreted from and into six working languages of the OSCE.

Working Group I: Co-operative frameworks supporting integration and protection of legal migrants

- Bilateral and multilateral co-operation between the countries of origin and destination of legal migrants, including:
 - (a) Role of foreign representations/consulates;
 - (b) Bilateral and multilateral agreements;
 - (c) Other co-operative mechanisms;
- Role of the OSCE and other international organizations in promoting a more efficient integration and protection of legal migrants across the OSCE region;
- Role of civil society in addressing the problems of migration and integration of legal migrants.

Working Group II: Legal aspects of migration and integration of lawful migrants

- Situation with regard to the legal status of lawful migrants in the OSCE participating States;
- Legislation and rules governing the legal status of lawful migrants and practical implementation of the respective legal provisions, with regard to:
 - (a) Fundamental human rights of migrants;
 - (b) Legal migrants and the issue of non-discrimination under the law
 - (c) Legal aspects of access to labour market;
 - (d) Responsibilities of migrants vis-à-vis the receiving country;
 - (e) Reunification of families of legally residing migrants;
 - (f) Residence permits as well as freedom to choose one's place of residence within the country;
 - (g) Naturalization/granting of citizenship;
 - Exchange of information and practices for facilitating integration of legal migrants in host societies.

Working Group III: Participation of legal migrants in public life and society

- Measures to ensure an adequate representation of legal migrants and legal immigrants in the political and decision-making process, where appropriate and allowed by law, including:
 - (a) Empowerment and right to influence political decisions;
 - (b) Special programmes targeting female migrants;
 - (c) Political engagement and participation in political movements;
 - (d) Participation in trade unions or trade union rights;
 - (e) Participation in non-governmental organizations;
 - (f) Active and passive participation in elections;
 - (g) Referrals to social services, as appropriate;
 - (h) Representation in and by mass media;
 - (i) Access to representation by national human rights institutions, such as the ombudsman;
- Role of ethnic communities/diasporas and other migrants' organizations as intermediaries between the legal migrants and legal immigrants and the host society;
- Exchange of information and practices with regard to the participation of legal migrants in public life.

Working Group IV: Socio-cultural aspects of integration

- Specific measures to protect the rights and respond to the needs of legal migrants:
 - (a) Informing migrants about their rights and institutional mechanisms that protect them;
 - (b) Education and cultural orientation programmes;
 - (c) Interpretation and language training;
 - (d) Referrals to community services and employment assistance;
- Policies and practices that move beyond mere tolerance towards fostering intercultural understanding and respect for diversity;
- Programmes and policies that foster respect and appreciation for the positive contribution of legal migrants to society;

 Positive initiatives for combating racism, xenophobia and other forms of intolerance against migrants.

WORK PROGRAMME

Working hours: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.3 - 6 p.m.

| | Wednesday 11 May 2005 | Thursday 12 May 2005 | Friday 13 May 2005 |
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| Morning | Opening plenary session | WG II | WG IV |
| Afternoon | WG I | WG III | Closing plenary session |



THE 2005 HUMAN DIMENSION SEMINAR "Migration and Integration"

Warsaw, 11 - 13 May 2005

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

1. The Seminar will be held in the hotel Sofitel Victoria Warsaw. The hotel has the following address:

Sofitel Victoria Warsaw Królewska St. 11 00-065 Warsaw, Poland

The participants will have at their disposal a Conference Room for Plenary and Working Groups Meetings as well as several smaller rooms for informal consultations.

2. The number of seats and order in which the delegations of the participating States will be seated at the Plenaries will be similar to that of the previous human dimension seminar.

3. The delegations will be provided with necessary facilities for the display and distribution of relevant publications, documents, and information materials.

4. The participants are kindly requested to contact the Seminar's Registration at the hotel (the hotel is situated in the centre of Warsaw) before the opening Plenary Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 11 May at 10 a.m. The Registration will be working during the Seminar days from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Advanced registration is recommended in order to avoid delays in issuing the Seminar badges and materials before the opening Plenary Meeting.

5. The delegations are invited to inform the ODIHR in advance of the need for technical equipment to be made available during the Seminar for presentation of audio-visual materials.

6. Appropriate facilities for non-governmental organizations as well as representatives of the media will also be arranged.

7. In order to assist the delegations with accommodations in Warsaw a special Hotel Booking Form for the recommended hotels is enclosed.

8. Transport will be organized, for participants departing from the Sofitel Victoria Hotel to the Warsaw Airport, right after the Plenary Meeting on the 13th of May.

The ODIHR will be at the disposal of all delegations in any other matters related to the Seminar.





| HOTEL BOOKING FORM | | | | | | | | |
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| /deadline for reservation - 26 th April '05/ | | | | | | | | |
| Name: | | | | | | | | |
| Business Address: | | | | | | | | |
| TEL: | FAX: | | | | | | | |
| Arrival Date: | | | | | | | | |
| TWIGGER <i>Conferences Ltd.</i> , 13, Mazowiecka Str., 00-052 Warsaw, P.O. BOX 183, POLAND <i>Phone: /48-22/ 826 10 47, Fax: 826 69 91,</i> <i>e-mail:</i> <u>twconf@twconf.neostrada.pl</u> | | | | | | | | |
| | Prices in EURO | | Prices in EURO | | | | | |
| | SGL | | SGL | | | | | |
| SOFITEL VICTORIA | 150 | GROMADA (DOM CHLOPA) | 70 | | | | | |
| /Venue of the Meeting – limited number of 200 rooms for special OSCE/ODIHR rates/ | | | | | | | | |
| BRISTOL RADISSON MERCURE POLONIA | 255 160 130 118 | HOLIDAY INN MDM GRAND METROPOL | 90/100 72 62/95 55 | | | | | |
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| /breakfast & V.A.T. included/ /all hotels are located ca 2,5 – 3,5 km from Meeting Venue/ | | | | | | | | |
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HOTELS recommended for Non-Governmental Organizations

(Urgent: reservation should be made directly to the hotels)

| HOTEL | ADDRESS | PH. +/48 -22/ | FAX. +/48- 22/ | Price in EURO <u>SGL room</u> | Price in EURO <u>DBL room</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| IBIS | 165, Solidarności Av. | 520 30 00 | 520 30 30 | 70,- | - |
| KYRIAD | 2, Towarowa Str | 582 75 00 | 582 75 01 | 90,- | 106,- |
| CAMPANILE | 2, Towarowa Str | 582 72 00 | 582 72 01 | 72,- | 79,- |
| PREMIERE CLASSE | 2, Towarowa Str | 624 08 00 | 620 26 29 | 47,- | 51,- |
| HARENDA | 4/6, Krakowskie Przedmieście Str. | 826 26 25 | 826 26 25 | 79,- | 89,- |
| MAZOWIECKI | 10, Mazowiecka Str. | 827 14 75 | 827 23 65 | 40,- /without bathroom/ 50,- /with bathroom/ | 50,- /without bathroom/ 62,- /with bathroom/ |