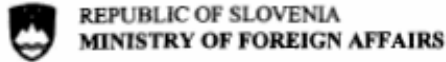




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It is our pleasure to invite you to the ***International Conference on the Implementation of Policies/Action Plans for Roma, Sinti and Travellers, and Measures Against the Anti-Gypsyism Phenomenon in Europe*** to be held in Warsaw on 20-21 October 2005.

The conference is jointly organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovenia, as the Chair-in-Office of the OSCE in 2005, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Interior and Administration of the Republic of Poland, the Council of Europe, the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia, and the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights. Other international agencies having a special interest and developing activities in the field of Roma, Sinti and Travellers are welcome to participate in the organisation of this conference.

The conference will focus on concrete measures of the participating States to implement the Action Plan for Improvement of the Situation of the Roma and Sinti within the OSCE Area, the Council of Europe's relevant recommendations on Roma and Travellers, European Union standards, as well as the participating States' own relevant national strategies and action plans, including those undertaken in connection with the regional initiative for the "Decade of Roma Inclusion, 2005-2015". The conference in Warsaw will also focus on the phenomenon of anti-Gypsyism in Europe and how the participating States, participating NGOs and the international community can best provide remedies against racism and intolerance faced by Roma, Sinti and Travellers. A provisional agenda for this event is attached.

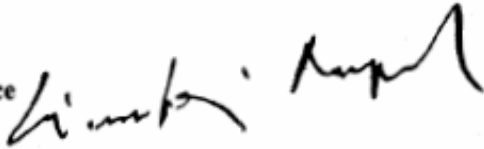
A follow-up meeting is envisaged in early 2006, under intergovernmental auspices, on how improved inter-agency cooperation and synergies at national and international levels may contribute to more effective policy-making "with Roma, for Roma".

If you would like to join this event, we kindly ask you to confirm your participation to the OSCE ODIHR Contact Point for Roma and Sinti Issues, to the attention of Mr. Dan Doghi, e-mail: [Dan.Doghi@odihr.pl](mailto:Dan.Doghi@odihr.pl), fax +48.22.522.06.05, mentioning the "Roma Conference in Warsaw") and to the Council of Europe – Roma and Travellers Division, to the attention of Mrs. Victoria Hopson (fax. +33.3.88.41.27.31; email: [victoria.hopson@coe.int](mailto:victoria.hopson@coe.int)) **no later than 7 October 2005**. Logistical details will follow your confirmation of attendance.

Sincerely,

For the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovenia - OSCE Chair in Office

**Dr Dimitrij Rupel**  
**The Minister - Chairman-in-Office**

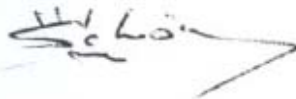


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