



## 2015 OSCE HUMAN DIMENSION SEMINAR

### THE ROLE OF NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS (NHRI) IN PROMOTING AND PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE OSCE AREA

WARSAW, 1-3 June 2015

#### AGENDA

**Day 1**                      **Monday, 1 June 2015**

**10:00-13:00**                **Opening plenary session**

*Opening remarks:*

**Mr. Michael Georg Link**, Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (OSCE/ODIHR)

**Ambassador Sanja Milinković**, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE, 2015 OSCE Serbian Chairmanship

**Ms. Henryka Mościcka-Dendys**, Undersecretary of State for Parliamentary Affairs, European Policy and Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Poland

*Keynote addresses:*

**Mr. Saša Janković**, Protector of Citizens of the Republic of Serbia

*Technical Information:*

**Ms. Beatriz Balbin**, First Deputy Director, OSCE/ODIHR

**15:00-18:00**                **Working group I: Establishing NHRIs and strengthening their independence and effectiveness**

*Introducers:*

**Mr. Byambadorj Jamsran**, Chief Commissioner, National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia

**Ms. Debbie Kohner**, Secretary General of the European Network of NHRIs

***Moderator:***

**Mr. Omer Fisher**, Deputy Head of ODIHR Human Rights Department, OSCE ODIHR

***Rapporteur:***

**Mr. Chad Wilton**, United States Mission to the OSCE

**19:00** Reception hosted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland

**Day 2** **Tuesday, 2 June 2015**

**10:00-13:00** **Working group II: Good practices in the work of NHRIs in promotion and protection of human rights**

***Introducers:***

**Ms. Laurien Koster**, Chair of Netherlands Institute for Human Rights

**Mr. Aleksandr Glushenkov**, Head of Secretariat, Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights in the Russian Federation

**Mr. Kent Härstedt**, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

***Moderator:***

**Ms. Katarzyna Jarosiewicz-Wargan**, Head of ODIHR Human Rights Department, OSCE ODIHR

***Rapporteur:***

**Ms. Daliborka Jankovic**, Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the OSCE

**15:00-18:00** **Working group III: Co-operation between NHRIs and other actors**

***Introducers:***

**Ms. Sirpa Rautio**, Director of the Human Rights Centre, Finland

**Ms. Eva Csergö**, Europe and Central Asia Programme Officer, Association for the Prevention of Torture, Switzerland

***Moderator:***

**Ms. Mirjam Karoly**, Chief of ODIHR Contact Point for Roma and Sinti Issues, Senior Adviser on Roma and Sinti Issues, OSCE ODIHR

***Rapporteur:***

**Mr. Jean-Francois Lacasse**, Delegation of Canada to the OSCE

**19:00**

Reception hosted by the Serbian Chairmanship of the OSCE

**Day 3**

**Wednesday 3 June 2015**

**10:00-13:00**

**Working group IV: Improving the work of NHRIs and ways to overcome challenges**

***Introducers:***

**Ms. Valeriya Lutkovska**, Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights

**Ms. Lora Vidović**, Ombudsman of the Republic of Croatia

**Ms. Etilda Gjonaj**, Commissioner, Deputy Ombudsman, People`s Advocate, Albania

***Moderator:***

**Ms. Azra Junuzović**, Deputy Head of ODIHR Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Department, OSCE ODIHR

***Rapporteur:***

**Ms. Nevena Jovanović**, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE

**15:00-18:00**

**Closing plenary session**

Rapporteurs summaries from the working group sessions  
Review of the results and recommendations;  
Comments from the floor;

***Closing Remarks:***

**Ms. Beatriz Balbin**, First Deputy Director, OSCE/ODIHR