LANGUAGE POLICY AND CONFLICT PREVENTION
Revisiting the Oslo Recommendations regarding the Linguistic Rights of National Minorities

31 May 2018, Oslo, Norway

Main Venue: Gamle Festsal, Domus Academica, Karl Johans gate 47, 0162 Oslo; Parallel panel A: Gamle Festsal, Domus Academica, Karl Johans gate 47, 0162 Oslo; Parallel panel B: Auditorium 14; Domus Academica, Karl Johans gate 47, 0162 Oslo.

09.00-09.30 Registration and coffee

09.30-10.15 High level introductory panel
H.E. Lamberto Zannier, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities; H.E. Audun Halvorsen, State Secretary to Norwegian Minister of Foreign Affairs; H.E. Alberto Colella, Ambassador of Italy to Norway, Representative of the Italian 2018 OSCE Chairmanship; Professor Fernand de Varennes, UN Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues; Professor Vesna Crnić-Grotić, Chair of the Council of Europe Committee of Experts of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages; Master of Ceremonies: Mr. Henrik Villadsen, HCNM Director

10.15-10.45 Keynote speech
H.E. Ambassador Knut Vollebæk

10.45-11.15 Coffee break

11.15-12.15 High level panel “Linguistic rights of national minorities in the OSCE participating States”
H.E. Angela Cutasevici, State Secretary on Education to the Minister of Education, Culture and Research, Republic of Moldova; H.E. Alexander Tevzadze, Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Georgia; H.E. Anamarija Viček, State Secretary to the Minister of Education, Science and Technology of Serbia; Moderator: H.E. Lamberto Zannier, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities
12.15-12.45 **HCNM thematic work and book launch**  
Book Editors: Laurentiu Hadirca, William Romans, Iryna Ulasiuk;  
*Moderator: Henrik Villadsen*

12.45-14.15 **Lunch**  
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14.15-15.30 **Panel 1A “The development of language rights since Oslo”**  
Experts: Francesco Palermo, Elżbieta Kuzborska, Bob Deen;  
*Moderator: Michael Angermann*

14.15-15.30 **Panel 1B “Institutional actors and policies”**  
Experts: Fernand de Varennes, Vesna Crnić-Grotić, Jennifer Croft;  
*Moderator: Asa Solway*

15.30-16.00 **Coffee break**

16.00-17.15 **Panel 2A “Future challenges of language policy and conflict prevention”**  
Experts: Jennifer Jackson-Preece, Joseph Marko, Roberta Medda-Windischer;  
*Moderator: Sarah Stephan*

16.00-17.15 **Panel 2B “Language rights: Focus on Norway”**  
Experts: Stener Ekern, Pia Lane, Maria Lundberg;  
*Moderator: Alessandro Rotta*

17.30-17.45 **Conference report**  
*Master of Ceremonies, Moderators*

17.45-18.00 **Closing remarks**  
Professor Asbjørn Eide, Professor Emeritus at University of Oslo  
H.E. Lamberto Zannier, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities;

18.00-19.00 **Drinks reception**  
All conference participants;  
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