Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting

FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND ASSOCIATION

8-9 November 2012
Hofburg, Vienna

AGENDA

Day 1  8 November 2012

15:00 – 16:00  OPENING SESSION

Opening remarks:
Ambassador Eoin O’Leary, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the OSCE
Ambassador Janez Lenarčič, Director, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (OSCE/ODIHR)

Keynote speech:
Mr. Maina Kiai, UN Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association

Technical information by Mr. Thomas Vennen, Head of the OSCE/ODIHR Democratization Department

16:00 – 18:00  SESSION I: Freedom of Association: obstacles to the full realization of this right and ways to overcome them

Moderator:
Ms. Emel Kurma, Executive Coordinator, Helsinki Citizen's Assembly, Turkey

Introducer:
Mr. Serghei Ostaf, Member of ODIHR Panel of Experts on Freedom of Peaceful Assembly, Director of the Resource Centre for Human Rights (CReDO), Moldova

18:00 – 19:00  Reception hosted by the Irish Chairmanship
Day 2  
9 November 2012

10:00 – 12:00  
SESSION II: Freedom of Peaceful Assembly: new challenges and opportunities for dialogue

Moderator:
Mr. Dmitry Makarov, Member of the Coordinating Council of the International Youth Human Rights Movement / Program Coordinator for Moscow Helsinki Group, Russian Federation

Introducer:
Mr. Neil Jarman, Chairperson of ODIHR Panel of Experts on Freedom of Peaceful Assembly, Director of the Institute for Conflict Research in Belfast, United Kingdom

12:00 – 14:00  
Lunch

14:00 – 16:00  
SESSION III: Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and Association: the role of new technologies

Moderator:
Ms. Oleksandra Matviychuk, Chairwoman of the Board of Non-Governmental Organization “Center for Civil Liberties”, Ukraine

Introducer:
Mr. David Moore, Vice-President – Legal Affairs, International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL)

16:00 – 16:30  
Break

16:30 – 17:30  
CLOSING SESSION
Reports by the Moderators of the Working Sessions
Comments from the floor

Closing remarks
Ambassador Janez Lenarčič, Director of the OSCE/ODIHR

17:30  
Closing of the meeting