



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

“Exchange of EU best practices in the area of anti-discrimination legislation enforcement”

7-8 November, 2012

Hotel Continental – address: Bul. Aleksandar Makedonski bb, Skopje,

Wednesday, 7th November

13:00 – 13:15 Registration of participants

13:15 - 13:45 Opening of the conference

Ms. Ingrid Sager, Head of Operations 2, Delegation of the European Union

Ms. Maria Prohaska, CED Executive Director

Ms. Maria Risteska, CRPM Executive Director

Mr. Dushko Minovski, President of the Commission for protection against discrimination

Mr. Ivaylo Savov, Member of the Bulgarian Commission for protection against discrimination

13:45 – 14:30 Lunch (buffet)

14:30–16:00 **Panel 1: The legal and institutional framework for protection from discrimination – process of approximation of national legislation with EU directives**

The importance of antidiscrimination legislation for the accessing countries,

Mr. Richard Howitt, -Rapporteur, Committee on Foreign Affairs, European Parliament

The Macedonian legal and institutional framework for protection from discrimination, **Mr. Jovan Ananiev**, Professor of Law, and Member of the Commission for protection against discrimination

Lessons learned from the Bulgarian process of harmonization of national legislation with the EU: the experience of Ministry of labor and social policy in the area of antidiscrimination, **Ms. Elena Gyurova**, State Expert, Equal Opportunities and Antidiscrimination Department, Ministry of labor and social policy, Republic of Bulgaria

16:00 – 16:30 Q&A

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Closing of day one



Thursday, 8th November 2012

09:00 – 10:30 **Panel 2: Antidiscrimination put in practice**

Implementation of antidiscrimination mechanisms in Bulgaria,
Commission for protection against discrimination: **Mr. Atanas Mousorliev**,
Member of the Commission, **Mr. Ivaylo Savov**, Member of the Commission,
Mr. Georgi Gergov, Expert

Implementation of antidiscrimination mechanisms in Macedonia,
Rizvan Sulejmani, Member of the Commission for protection
from discrimination

Shadow report on implementation of legislation on antidiscrimination,
Ms. Tamara Dimitrijevska, Analyst CRPM

Shadow report for the commission in shadow – **Ms. Mirjana Najcevska**, Expert
ISSP

10:30 - 11:00 Discussion

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 Workshop on antidiscrimination practices

The jurisprudence on antidiscrimination in Bulgaria and EU, **Ms. Rositsa Georgieva**, Legal expert

The jurisprudence on antidiscrimination in ECtHR and Macedonia,
Ms. Margarita Caca Nikolovska, former judge in ECtHR and legal expert

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 **Panel 3: Other mechanisms for protection from discrimination**

The Ombudsman role in protection from discrimination, **Mr. Dragi Celevski**,
Deputy Ombudsman Macedonia

Jurisprudence in Bulgaria, **Ms. Kostadinka Arsova**, Judge, Supreme Court of
Cassation of the Republic of Bulgaria

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15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 17:30 The role of NGOs in EU in protection from discrimination

The Bulgarian case: **Ms. Kapka Panayotova**, Center for Independent Living
and **Ms. Genoveva Tisheva**, Bulgarian Gender Research Foundation
The Estonian case: **Ms. Kristina Mand**, Praxis
The Slovakian case: **Ms. Martina Sekulova**, Ivo
The Slovenian case: **Ms. Neža Kogovšek Šalamon**, Peace Institute

17:30 – 18:00 Closing remarks

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