



## Agenda

**International Seminar  
Educating about the Roma and Sinti genocide  
Learning from the past to challenge present discrimination and promote  
equality**

**Stockholm, 23 April 2015**

**Conference venue: ERSTA KONFERENS & HOTEL  
Address: Erstagatan 1K, 116 91 Stockholm**

### *22 April*

- 17:00 “We are Roma” - Visit to the exhibition produced and featured by the Gothenburg City Museum, Living History Forum
- 19:00 Dinner hosted by Living History Forum

### *23 April*

(For participants at Hotel Hilton Slussen a bus pick up to the conference venue will be organized at 8:15 a.m.)

- 09:00 - 9:30 **Opening remarks**
- Ingrid Lomfors, Director of Living History Forum  
Agneta Broberg, Swedish Equality Ombudsman  
Mirjam Karoly, OSCE/ODIHR Senior Adviser on Roma and Sinti Issues
- Moderator: Eva Fried, Living History Forum
- 9:30 - 10:00 **Keynote speech**
- Lalla Weiss, Dutch National Sinti and Roma Organization, the Netherlands



10:00 - 10:45

**Presentation of ODIHR's report "Teaching about and Commemorating the Roma and Sinti Genocide – Practices within the OSCE Area"**

Mirjam Karoly, OSCE/ODIHR Senior Adviser on Roma and Sinti Issues

Respondents: Sarita Friman – Korpela, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Finland

Martina Maschke, Ministry of Education, Austria

Moderator: Eva Fried, Living History Forum

10:45 - 11:00

**Discussion**

11:00 - 11:30

**Coffee break**

11:30 - 12:45

**Panel discussion: The fate of the Roma and Sinti during the Holocaust – Learning from the past to challenge present discrimination and promote equality**

Panelists:

Mikhail Tyaglyy, Ukrainian Center for Holocaust Studies, Ukraine

Thomas Hammarberg, Chair of the Swedish Commission against Anti-Gypsyism, Sweden

Margareta Matache, FXB Center for Health and Human Rights, Harvard University, Romania/USA

Timea Junghaus, Hungarian Academy of Science, Hungary

Gerhard Baumgartner, Director of the Documentation Centre of Austrian Resistance (DÖW), Austria

Marek Szilvasi, European Roma Rights Centre, Budapest

Moderator: Ethel Brooks, Rutgers University, USA

12:45 - 14:00

**Lunch break**

14:00 - 14:30

**Presentation of working groups**

14:30 - 16:30

**Parallel working groups:**



### **Working Group 1: Models of history teaching about the Roma and Sinti genocide as a tool to promote tolerance and non-discrimination.**

Moderator: Martina Maschke, Ministry of Education, Austria

Rapporteur: Natalie Lantz, Living History Forum

Introducers:

Robert Sigel, Bayerische Landeszentrale für Politische Bildungsarbeit Josef-Effner-Gymnasium, Germany

Joanna Talewicz – Kwiatkowska, Jagiellonian University, Poland

Karen Polak, Anne Frank House, the Netherlands

Aurora Ailincai, Council of Europe, Head of Strategic Partnership Unit

### **Working Group 2: The role of knowledge on the Roma and Sinti genocide in promoting equality and justice.**

Moderator: Eva Fried, Living History Forum

Rapporteur: Karolina Mirga, OSCE/ODIHR Project Assistant

Introducers:

Vicente Rodriguez Fernandez, ternYpe – International Roma Youth Network, Spain

Milovan Pisarri, historian, Italy/Serbia

Patrice Bensimon, Yahad in Unum, France

Costel Nastasie, Roma Dignity, Belgium

### **Working Group 3: The continuation of human rights challenges and experiences on how states deal with history of racism and discrimination**

Moderator: Idaver Memedov, OSCE/ODIHR Officer on Roma and Sinti Issues



Rapporteur: Mattias Falk, Expert, the Swedish Equality Ombudsman

Introducers:

Emran Elmazi, Documentation and Cultural Centre of German Sinti and Roma, Germany

Dragana Vujkov, Office of the Protector of Citizens of the Republic, Serbia

Rosario Ali Taikon, E Romani Glinda, Sweden

**Coffee will be served in the working groups**

16:30 - 17:30

Plenary - Presentations by the rapporteurs of the working groups and discussion

Moderator: Mirjam Karoly, OSCE/ODIHR Senior Adviser on Roma and Sinti Issues

17:30 - 18:00

**Closing remarks**

Szabolcs Takács, Chair of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance, State Secretary for European Affairs, Office of the Prime Minister, Hungary

18:00

**Music performance**

19:30

Dinner at Hotel Hilton Slussen hosted by OSCE/ODIHR

(A bus pick-up from the conference venue to Hotel Hilton will be organised at 19:00)