



European Integration Forum
12-13 November 2009
Van Maerlant Building, Rue Van Maerlant 2, 1040 Brussels

Programme

Thursday 12 November

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| 9.00 – 10.00 | Registration of participants |
| 10.00 – 10.45 | Plenary session chaired by Irini Ivoni Pari , Vice-President of the European Economic and Social Committee
<i>Opening speeches:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Jacques Barrot, Vice-President of the European Commission, responsible for Justice, Freedom and Security- Mario Sepi, President of the European Economic and Social Committee- Catharina Bildt, Member of the Cabinet of Minister for Integration and Gender Equality Nyamko Sabuni, Swedish Presidency of the Council of the EU- Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Member of the European Parliament, Chairman of the Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs Committee |
| 10.45 – 11.15 | Coffee break |
| 11.15 – 12.00 | Plenary session: 'Taking stock and looking ahead: working together for integration', chaired by Anna Terrón i Cusí , Member of the Committee of the Regions <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Jean-Louis De Brouwer, Deputy Director General (ff), Directorate General for Justice, Freedom and Security (DG JLS), European Commission- András Kováts, Menedék Association, Hungary- Ulrich Raiser, EUROCITIES (Berlin)- Liz Collett, European Policy Centre |
| 12.00 – 12.40 | Debate |
| 12.40 – 13.00 | Information on the appointment of the Bureau of the European Integration Forum by Diane Schmitt , European Commission, and Luis Miguel Pariza Castaños , European Economic and Social Committee |
| 13.00 – 14.30 | Lunch |

- 14.30 – 16.00 Workshop '**Common EU priorities for a cross-cutting integration policy**'
(two parallel working groups)
- Working group A *Short kick-off presentation by Iwona Piorko (DG JLS) and Constantinos Fotakis (DG EMPL)*
- Moderator: Luca Jahier, President of the permanent group "Immigration and integration" of the European Economic and Social Committee
- Rapporteur: Lieve Van Espen, Minderhedenforum, Belgium
- Working group B *Short kick-off presentation by Anne-Sophie Canihac (DG JLS) and Gelu Calacean (DG EAC)*
- Moderator: Pedro Almeida Freire, European Economic and Social Committee
- Rapporteur: Thomas Huddleston, Migration Policy Group
- 16.00 – 16.30 Coffee break
- 16.30 – 18.00 Workshop '**The European Integration Fund: progress to date and future developments**'
(two parallel working groups)
- Working group A *Short kick-off presentation by Nadège Monnot (DG JLS)*
- Moderator: Anna Rooney, Culture Link Training and Integration, Ireland
- Rapporteur: Ana Feder, European Foundation Centre
- Working group B *Short kick-off presentation by Stefano Signore (DG JLS)*
- Moderator: Krista Schram, Forum, The Netherlands
- Rapporteur: Rosa Yolanda Villavicencio Mapy, AESCO and Spanish Forum for the Integration of Immigrants
- 18.30 Reception hosted by the European Economic and Social Committee

Friday 13 November

- 9.00 – 9.45 Appointment of the Bureau of the European Integration Forum
- 9.45 – 10.15 Coffee break
- 10.15 – 11.15 Plenary session chaired by **Doris Peschke**, Chair of the NGOs Platform on EU Asylum and Migration Policy: presentation of the workshops' conclusions by the four rapporteurs
- 11.15 – 12.15 Debate
- 12.15 – 12.30 **Estrella Rodríguez Pardo**, Director General for the Integration of Immigrants, Ministry of Labour and Immigration, Spain
- 12.30 – 13.00 Final conclusions by **Marta Cygan**, Director Immigration and Asylum, Directorate General for Justice, Freedom and Security of the European Commission, and **Luis Miguel Pariza Castaños**, Member of the European Economic and Social Committee
- 13.00 Closing reception