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Tirana high-level International Conference
«Challenges for Ombudsman Institutions with respect to mixed migratory flows»
Tirana International Hotel

7-8 September, 2016

Tirana, Albania

DAY 1 **Wednesday, 7 September 2016**

8:30-9:00 **Registration**

9:00-9:15 Opening Speech by **Mr Igli TOTOZANI**, People's Advocate of Albania, President of AOM

9:15-10:45 **Session One: The role of the Ombudsman in countries of origin**

Moderator: **Mr Baba Akhib HAÏDARA**, Ombudsman of Mali

Panelists:

- **Ms Perla GOMEZ**, Head of the Human Rights Commission Federal District of Mexico
- **Mr Sid Ahmed ABDI JIYID**, Ombudsman of Mauritania
- **Mr Hilmi JASHARI**, Ombudsman of Kosovo
- **Ms Antonella SCOLAMIERO**, Representative, UNICEF Albania
- **IOI (tbc)**

10:45-11:00 **Coffee break**

11:00-12:30 **Session Two: The role of the Ombudsman in transit countries**

Moderator: **Mr Abdelaziz BENZAKOUR**, Mediator of the Moroccan Kingdom and AOM Honorary President

Panelists:

- **Ms Lora VIDOVIĆ**, Ombudswoman of Croatia, ENNHRI Chair
- **Mr Mehmet ELKATMIS**, Ombudsman, Ombudsman of Turkey
- **Mr Vassilis KARYDIS**, Acting Ombudsman of Greece
- **Mr Ixhet MEMETI**, Ombudsman of Macedonia
- **Mr Milos JANKOVIĆ**, Deputy Ombudsman of Serbia
- **Mr Markus JAEGER**, Head of Division, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe
- **Ms Marie Hélène Verney**, Representative, UNHCR Albania

- *Access to asylum: shortcomings and challenges to ensure full access to asylum procedures*
- *The situation of children on the move and unaccompanied children*
- *The situation of other vulnerable groups: women, elderly, sick, disabled, etc.*

12:30-14:00

Lunch

14:00-15:30

Session Three: The role of the Ombudsman in countries of destination

Moderator: Mr Günther KRÄUTER, Ombudsman of Austria, IOI General Secretary

Panelists:

- Ms Catherine DE BRUECKER, Federal Ombudsman of Belgium
- Mr Gero STORJOHANN, Deputy Head of the Petitions Committee of the Germany's Bundestag
- Ms Cecilia RENFORS, Parliamentary Ombudsman of Sweden
- Mr Reinier VAN ZUTPHEN, Ombudsman of Netherlands
- Ms Edita ZIOBIENE, Ombudsperson for Children's Rights, Lithuania, ENOC Chairperson

- *Protection of irregular migrants in key areas of public and private services*
- *Integration of new diasporas in receiving countries: "Migrants not a threat but an opportunity"*
- *Assistance to women, children, disabled, sick and elderly people*

15:30-15:45

Coffee break

15:45-17:15

Session Four: The role of Ombudsman in combatting negative stereotyping and hate speech

Moderator: Mr Raúl GONZÁLEZ PÉREZ, Ombudsman of Mexico

Panelists:

- Ms Soledad BECERRIL BUSTAMANTE, Ombudsperson of Spain
- Ms Marta HIRSCH-ZIEMBINSKA, Head of Complaints and Inquiries Unit, European Ombudsman
- Mr Stefano VALENTI, External Relations Officer, European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), Council of Europe

- *Countering hate-speech and xenophobia: discourse by governments and discourse in the public domain at-large*
- *Countering discrimination and degrading treatment*

17:15-17:30

Signature of a Memorandum of Understanding between IOI, AOM, AOMF and FIO

*The role of the Ombudsman in the migration crisis***9:00-11:00**

Moderator by **Mr. Igli TOTOZANI**, People's Advocate of Albania, President of AOM

Greetings by:

- **Albanian authorities**
- **Mr Salvatore SAGUES**, International Organisation of la Francophonie
- **Mr Nicolas LE COZ**, President of Group of Experts on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings
- **Ms Marta HIRSCH-ZIEMBINSKA** on behalf of **Ms Emily O'REILLY**
- **Ms Lora VIDOVIĆ**, Ombudswoman of Croatia, ENNHRI Chair, on behalf of **Ms Beate RUDOLF**, Head of GANHRI

Conclusions by:

- **Mr Marc BERTRAND**, President of AOMF
- **Prof. José Francisco DE FARIA COSTA**, President of FIO
- **Mr John WALTERS**, President of IOI

11:00-11:15***Adoption of the Tirana Declaration on Migration*****11:15-12:15****Looking ahead speeches by:**

- **Mr Jacques TOUBON**, General Secretary of AOMF & AOM, Defender of Rights of France, AOM and AOMF Secretary General
- **Ms Kate GILMORE**, UN Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights

12:15**Photo of the participants****12:15 – 13:30****Lunch and Closure of the Conference**