

Program of the Hungarian presidency

For the period of the Hungarian presidency we are planning to improve and to enhance the inter-governmental cooperation as well as to give new impetus to the process.

Priorities of the presidency

- We invited new countries to join and to participate in the Decade as a member state. The invited countries are Bosnia-Herzegovina, Moldova, Portugal, Slovenia and Spain.
- Considering the fact that most of the Decade-countries are also member states/candidate countries of the EU, Hungary initiate that the Decade of Roma Inclusion could be placed on the EU Institutions' agenda.
- Concerning the monitoring of the National Action Plans prepared by the countries – using the results of the Bulgarian presidency – Hungary sets up an Indicator Working Group. Its goals are to create common indicators used in the monitoring system.
- Organising two workshops regarding housing and antidiscrimination issues are also planned during presidency year.
- As one of the Decade's goals is the raising awareness Hungary will organize communication campaigns on national and international levels to increase the known of the Decade and to improve the sensitiveness of public opinion as well as decision-makers.
- New topics are going to be debated under the Hungarian presidency. These are corporate social responsibility (CSR), creating a European Roma Policy, anti-segregation policy in the field of education and housing.

Schedule

Event	Time (planned)	Organizers
International Steering Committee Meeting (ISC)	October 1-2 2007	Hungarian Government (World Bank, OSI)
Housing workshop	November 26-30 2007	Hungarian and Croatian Government
International Steering Committee Meeting (ISC)	January 2008	Hungarian Government (World Bank, OSI)
Anti-discrimination workshop	March 2008	Hungarian Government (World Bank, OSI)
International Steering Committee Meeting (ISC)	April 2008	Hungarian Government
International Steering Committee Meeting (ISC)	June 2008	Hungarian Government (World Bank, OSI)