



Working Group Homelessness
Brussels | 25-26 November 2014
Draft Agenda

Tuesday, 25 November 2014

Venue: EUROCITIES office, 1st floor, room Throne, 1 Square de Meeûs, Brussels

Chair: Dick Reinking, City of Utrecht

Vice-Chair: Michael Langweisner, City of Vienna

- 09.00 Registration and welcome coffee
- 09.15 Welcome, introductions, the objectives and proceedings of the meeting
- 09.30 **Comparative analysis of strategies for prevention of evictions** in different European countries, dr. Volker Busch-Geertsema, University of Bremen
- 10:30 Round table with the participants on the state of the art of prevention strategies in their cities
- 11.00 Coffee break & networking
- 11.15 Common challenges and needs to preventative approaches in the cities
- 12.00 **Models for cost-benefit analysis of preventative approaches at the local level**, Dick Reinking, Project and Programme Leader Public Health, the city of Utrecht
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.00 Local challenges related to homelessness of the local and migrant populations - update from cities
- 14.30 **EU policy update followed by exchange with the cities**, Andrea Meszaros, Policy officer, Social Inclusion and Poverty Reduction, the European Commission
- 15.30 Coffee break
- 16.00 URBACT and HORIZON 2020 - funding opportunities for mutual exchange and research activities on homelessness
- 16.30 Writing effective project proposals
- 17.00 Local EU funded projects in the area of homelessness (possible collaboration between the working group members) - brainstorming
- 18.00 Adjournment
- 19.00 Informal dinner (at own cost)

Wednesday 26 November 2014

Joint session with Roma Task Force

Venue: EUROCITIES office, 1st floor, room Luxembourg, 1 Square de Meeûs, Brussels

Chair (WGH): Dick Reinking, City of Utrecht

Chair (RFT): Jan Balliu, City of Ghent

- 09.00 Welcome coffee
- 09.30 Welcome by Chairs and introductions
- 10.00 Use of EU funds for vulnerable population:
- European Social Fund and European Regional Development Fund
 - European Fund for the Most Deprived
 - Community Led Local Development fund
 - Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme - funding for EU mobile citizens (tbc)
- 11.00 Coffee Break
- 11.30 Mutual exchange between Roma Task Force and working group Homelessness
- 13.00 Lunch and end of meeting
- 14.30 *Roma Task Force meeting continues. The interested members of WG Homelessness are welcome to participate. Please see separate agenda and registration details.*



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