



DIVERSIFYING THE WORKPLACE: STRATEGIES FOR EMPOWERMENT AND INCLUSION

Wellington Park Hotel, Belfast, Northern Ireland

29 – 30 November 2007

PROGRAMME FOR POLICY FORUM

Thursday, 29th November 2007

08:30 Registration and Travel Claim Processing

09:30 Welcome

Greg McConnell, Deputy Secretary, Department for
Employment and Learning in Northern Ireland

Peter Stub Jorgensen, Director, DG Employment, Social Affairs
and Equal Opportunities, European Commission

10:15 Plenary 1: Empowerment of Vulnerable Groups

Beneficiary presentations by:
Wilberforce Essandor, Finland
Elisabeth Lindgren, Sweden
Anne McAleer, UK-Northern Ireland

10:55 Workshop 1 – Syndicate Room 5-6
(Chair: J Harrison, Rapporteurs: C Monaghan, B Kennedy)

Panel Members:
Wilberforce Essandor, Finland
Orlando Silva, Portugal
Clare Broome, UK Northern Ireland

Workshop 2 – McWilliams Suite

(Chair: M Morrissey, Rapporteurs: O Gillespie, D McCoy)

Panel Members:

Elisabeth Lindgren, Sweden
Zamzam Mohamed, UK Great Britain
Mariead Magill, UK Northern Ireland

Workshop 3 – Middleton Room

(Chair: M Wilson, Rapporteurs: D Wagner, A McAuley)

Panel Members:

Namu Nambiar, Sweden
Iluta Lace, Latvia
Anne McAleer, UK-Northern Ireland

12:30 Lunch

13:30 Baroness Margaret Prosser of Battersea OBE, Deputy Chair,
Commission for Equality and Human Rights (CEHR)

Plenary Session 2: Working with Employers

Employer presentations by:

Alec Carlberg, Sweden
Mary Cusick, UK Northern Ireland
Simona Korez, Slovenia

14:20 Workshop 4 – Syndicate Room 5-6

(Chair: J Harrison, Rapporteurs: C Monaghan, B Kennedy)

Panel Members:

Alec Carlberg, Sweden
Suzana Bohorc, Slovenia
Joan Peden, UK Northern Ireland

Workshop 5 - McWilliams Suite

(Chair: M Morrissey, Rapporteurs: O Gillespie, D McCoy)

Panel Members:

Mary Cusick, UK Northern Ireland
Michal Vokurka, Czech Republic
Jane Garvey, UK Northern Ireland

Workshop 6 – Middleton Room

(Chair: M Wilson, Rapporteurs: D Wagner, A McAuley)

Panel Members:

Simona Korez, Slovenia
Alan McCully, UK Northern Ireland
Harri Niukkanen, Finland

15:50 Close

18:45 Pick up at hotels and transfer to Ulster Folk and Transport Museum for Dinner

Friday, 30th November 2007

09:30 Plenary Session 3: Building Bridges

Policymaker/policy influencer/NGO presentations by:

Panu Artemjeff, Finland
Geraldine Teggart, UK Great Britain
Felix Petit, The Netherlands

10:10 Workshop 7 – Syndicate Room 5-6

(Chair: J Harrison, Rapporteurs: C Monaghan, B Kennedy)

Panel Members:

Panu Artemjeff, Finland
Luk Zelderloo, Belgium
Sheila McNeill/Maureen Gillespie, UK-Northern Ireland

Workshop 8 - McWilliams Suite

(Chair: M Morrissey, Rapporteurs: O Gillespie, D McCoy)

Panel Members:

Geraldine Teggart, UK Great Britain
Barbara Vidensek, Slovenia
Rosemary Mulholland, UK-Northern Ireland

Workshop 9 – Middleton Room

(Chair: M Wilson, Rapporteurs: D Wagner, A McAuley)

Panel Members:

Felix Petit, The Netherlands
John Mallon, UK Northern Ireland
Elissavet Platsouka, European Commission

11:40 Coffee Break

12:15 Feedback from Workshops

Closing Remarks from

Walter Faber, Head of Unit: Community Initiatives & European Globalisation Fund, DG Employment, Social Affairs & Equal Opportunities, European Commission

Aideen McGinley, Permanent Secretary, Department for Employment and Learning in Northern Ireland

13:15 Lunch and Departure (prebooked Belfast tour taxis leave hotel at 14:00)