

COMBATING DISCRIMINATION AS A ROOT CAUSE OF ROMA MARGINALISATION

16 June 2015 | 11 a.m - 1 p.m.
Palais des Nations - Room XXIII

The side-event will give an opportunity to share the findings and recommendations of the recent study prepared by the Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues on the human rights situation of Roma and to learn more about the activities of relevant regional organisations and NGOs in this field.

Panellists

Rita Izsák

UN Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues

Ulrich Bunjes

Special Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe for Roma issues

Ioannis Dimitrakopoulos

Head of the Equality and Citizens' Rights Department, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

Andrzej Mirga

Chair of the Board of the Roma Education Fund

Jorge Bernal

Presidente de la Asociación Identidad Cultural Romaní de Argentina (AICRA)

Mirjam Karoly

Chief of the Contact Point for Roma and Sinti Issues at the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, OSCE

The debate will be moderated by **István Lakatos**, *Deputy Permanent Observer of the Council of Europe to the UN Office in Geneva*