



CHACHIPEN
Truth and Reconciliation Process
to address antigypsyism in Europe:
Remembrance, Recognition, Justice
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Transitional justice - Paving the way for Truth and Reconciliation Processes in Romania

AGENDA

Romanian National Institute of Statistics - Blue Room

B-dul Libertatii Nr. 16, Sector 5, Bucharest

3 March 2023, 9:00 – 14:00 (EET/Bucharest)

08:00 – 13:00 (CET/Brussels)

Hybrid event

(Interpretation English-Romanian)

Background

The Roundtable is organised by the Fast Forward Association in the framework of the EU funded project **CHACHIPEN - Paving the way for Truth and Reconciliation Process to address antigypsyism in Europe: Remembrance, Recognition, Justice and Trust Building**, whose aim is to explore feasibility of transitional justice tools to review the gravest human rights violations against Roma as a way to halt ongoing antigypsyism and ensure non-recurrence in the future. In this context, the Roundtable aims to advance the recognition and the response to historically rooted and systemic antigypsyism in Romania and to serve as a build-up process for similar processes across project countries and Europe towards achieving justice, equality, non-discrimination and full participation of Roma as equal citizens across Europe.

More specifically, the event will present the results of the Chachipen national study assessing the steps Romania has taken in implementing the fight against

antigypsyism in policy and practice, particularly, in the area of historic reconciliation with the past injustices suffered by Roma in Romania. In addition, the event aims to promote further exchanges and good practices between the project countries; finally, it seeks to build stronger political awareness and will to put in place truth and reconciliation processes and mechanisms at national level.

09:00	Registration of participants
09:30	
09:30 10:00	<p>Opening remarks on the importance of fighting antigypsyism and promoting transitional justice (Chachipen example)</p> <p><u>Moderator: Voicu Alin/Adrian Tudor, Fast Forward, Romania</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Sergio Carrera, Head of Justice and Home Affairs Unit, CEPS - Introducing the Chachipen project (online) • Mr Florin Manole, State Secretary, Vice-Prime Minister's Office/ Chachipen Advisory Board Member • Ms Cerasela Banica, State Secretary, National Council for Combating Discrimination
10:00 11:00	<p>I Panel: Presentation of the Chachipen research on Antigypsyism in Romania: potentials of transitional justice approaches.</p> <p><u>Moderator: Dr. Adrian-Nicolae Furtuna, expert Roma history and culture, Romania tbc</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Iulius Rostas, independent expert (20 min.) • Stories about Holocaust in Romania (10 min) • Dr Maria Dumitru, PhD candidate on Roma slavery – discussant (10 min)
11:00 12:10	<p>II Panel: Tools for fighting against historically-rooted antigypsyism: Truth and Reconciliation Commissions in Romania and internationally</p> <p><u>Moderator: Mr Stephan Mueller, Central Council for German Sinti and Roma, Germany (online)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Gualiano Dumitru, Aresel coalition • Rep. Ministry of Culture, Romania (tbc) • MEP, Ms Soraya Post, Sweden on EU - online • Mr Pedro Casermeiro, Chachipen expert on Spain – (online) tbc

12:10	Coffee Break
12:30	
12:30	III Panel: Building synergies/Implementing truth and reconciliation processes at international level
13:30	<p><u>Moderator: Ms Isabela Mihalache, ERGO Network, Brussels</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MP Ismael Cortez, member of the Spanish Parliament (10 min) - online • MS Beata Olahova, Adviser on Roma and Sinti Issues, OSCE Contact Point for Roma and Sinti Issues – online • Mr Robert Rustem, Outreach Officer of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance, Council of Europe - online
13:30	Concluding remarks
14:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Cecilia Văduva, Ministry of Investments and European Projects, Romania - tbc • Mr Florin Manole, State Secretary, Romania • Mr Dan Doghi, DG Justice, European Commission (5 min.) tbc
14:30	Buffet lunch and networking
15:30	



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