

OPEN SPACE CONFERENCE

INVITATION

19.–21. 04. 2015

DUNA ROMANI LUMA – NEW PATHS TOWARDS THE FUTURE

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INTEGRATED TRANS-BORDER COOPERATION OF ROMA INITIATIVES AND STAKEHOLDERS IN THE DANUBE REGION

STARTING POINT AND CAUSE

With more than 6 million people, Roma societies are the biggest minority within the Eastern Danube region. They are predominantly marginalized and discriminated. Due to the multitude of challenges for Eastern and Western countries and in light of lacking success of integration measures so far, we have to develop an integrated long-term strategy to solve these problems.

AIM

It takes joint efforts to cope with this task. So with this conference, the organizers aim at building bridges between Roma initiatives in East and West, at strengthening existing partnerships and projects, and moreover at establishing a mutual network.

INVITATION

Hereby we invite all Roma NGO activists and all governmental, supranational, and church-related representatives as well as representatives of the European Union to take an active part in our conference. Especially representatives of the Roma societies are invited to present their opinions and ideas.

EVENING EVENT AGENDA

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2015

18:00	Ecumenical Church Service in the Ulmer Münster
18.45	Welcome at the Music School of the city of Ulm
19.15	Opening: Dotschy Reinhardt Ensemble Welcome Speech: Christoph Dahl , Executive Director Baden-Württemberg Stiftung Greeting: Peter Friedrich , Minister for the Bundesrat, Europe and International Affairs
19.30	Panel discussion Part 1: Minister Peter Friedrich , Nicoleta Bitu , Daniel Strauss , Slavica Denić Moderation: Dr. Monika Kleck and Peter Langer
20:00	Presentation Rolf Bauerdick , journalist and photographer
20.30	Panel discussion Part 2: Auxiliary Bishop János Székely , Nicoleta Bitu , Slavica Denić , Protestant Pastor Dieter Kaufmann
21:00	Closing remarks and farewell Dr. Monika Kleck , Peter Langer , Christoph Dahl Dotschy Reinhardt Ensemble Get-together

OPEN SPACE CONFERENCE

Due to the fact that we want to establish new networks among Roma initiatives, we chose the format »Open Space«. As a methodology for self-organizing conference tracks, it relies on participation by people being passionate about discussing the topics of our conference »Duna Romani Luma¹«. There is no preplanned list of topics, but time slots and a space in the main meeting room where interested participants propose topics. Thus the group itself creates the working agenda, as individuals post their issues in bulletin board style.

¹ Roma world by the Danube

AGENDA

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015

09:00	Arrival, registration, and snacks
09:30	Welcome and introduction
10:00	Creation of the working agenda Moderation: Agonda
11:00	Coffee Break
11:30	Working groups 1
13:00	Lunch break, Ratskeller restaurant
14:30	Working groups 2
16:30	Working groups 3
18:00	Conclusion and joint activity
19:00	Free evening

TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015

9:00	Arrival and snacks
9:30	Summary of yesterday's results
10:30	Initiation of activities
11:30	Meeting of activity groups
12:45	Conclusions
13:30	Lunch break, Café Stadthaus
15:00	Departure

REGISTRATION

Participation is free of charge and upon invitation only.
Conference languages are German and English.



**WE KINDLY ASK YOU TO REGISTER HERE
BEFORE APRIL 10, 2015**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED HERE:
www.bwstiftung.de/romaconference**

The number of participants is limited. Registrations are accepted due to the date of receipt.

With regard to our conference, we kindly ask you to attend the meeting as a whole, so that ideas can be turned into reality.

OUTLOOK

The results and initiatives will be presented as part of the Fourth Annual Forum EUSDR in Ulm in October 2015.

CONFERENCE VENUE

The conference will be held in the Danube city of Ulm.

► ECUMENICAL CHURCH SERVICE

April 19, 2015, 18:00
Ulmer Münster, Münsterplatz 21 | D-89073 Ulm

► EVENING EVENT

April 19, 2015, 19:00
Musikschule der Stadt Ulm
Marktplatz 19 | D-89073 Ulm

► OPEN SPACE CONFERENCE

April 20 and 21, each day beginning at 9:00
Stadthaus Ulm, Münsterplatz 50 | D-89073 Ulm

JOURNEY AND ACCOMMODATION

We kindly ask you to organize the journey to the conference on your own. For selected participants from third Countries and/or NGOs in the Danube Region, international travel and accommodation costs can be reimbursed after consultation with the organizers.
www.bwstiftung.de/romaconference

Here you can find the pre-booked hotels in the vicinity:

Goldenes Rad (vis-à-vis Stadthaus)
www.goldenes-rad.com

Maritim Hotel Ulm (within 15 minutes walking distance)
www.maritim.de/de/hotels/deutschland/hotel-ulm/uebersicht

B&B Hotel Ulm (within 5 minutes walking distance)
www.hotelbb.de/de/ulm

For reservations, please indicate »roma conference«.

ORGANIZERS:

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