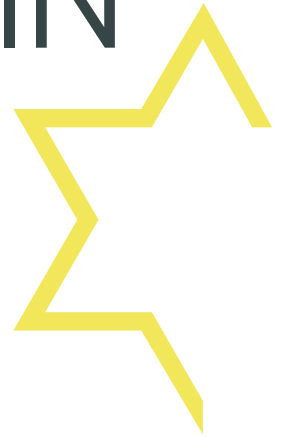


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COLLOQUIUM ON THE
GYPSIES OF EUROPE

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Kazerne Dossin, Mechelen, Belgium.

In a largely forgotten genocide during WW II, circa 500,000 gypsies were sent to their deaths in camps across Europe. Today, in a heightened atmosphere of xenophobia, aversion to gypsies has become prevalent across Europe. From lack of schooling and decent housing, to discrimination in the workplace and outright racism. The colloquium highlights the lot of the gypsies in the public domain and links present day antipathy with the situation of Human Rights today.

Programme

9.30 a.m. Registration

10.00 a.m. Introduction by

Hilde Kieboom, Kazerne Dossin

Jan Deboutte, International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)

Koen Verlaeckt, Flemish Department of Foreign Affairs

10.20 a.m. The history of the Gypsies in Europe

Gerhard Baumgartner, Professor University of Applied Sciences, Graz, Austria

10.50 a.m. Persecution of Gypsies in Northern France during WWII [FR]

Monique Heddebaut, Historian

11.20 a.m. Coffee Break

11.35 a.m. The deportation of the Gypsies from Kazerne Dossin during WWII [FR]

Laurence Schram, Kazerne Dossin

12.05 p.m. Witness to medical experiments on Gypsies during WWII

Rita Prigmore, Roma Witness

12.35 p.m. Lunch

14.00 p.m. Gypsies and Human Rights within the EU

Viviane Reding, EU Commissioner for Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship

14.30 p.m. Gypsies and Human Rights within the EU

Livia Jaroka, Member of the European Parliament

14.40 p.m. Present situation of Gypsies within the EU [FR]

Paolo Ciani, Sant'Egidio Community Rome

15.10 p.m. Gypsies and Human Rights within the EU

Jeroen Schokkenbroek, Council of Europe

15.40 p.m. Gypsies and Human Rights within the EU

Eva Sobotka, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

16.10 p.m. Questions and conclusion

Herman van Goethem, Kazerne Dossin



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