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“PROTECTION OF NATIONAL MINORITIES RIGHTS: FIVE YEAR TRENDS”

Conference programme

Date: 23rd October 2015

Time: 9.00 –13:40

Place: Vilnius City Municipality, Konstitucijos pr. 3, Room 2001 (*Kolegijos posėdžių salė*), 20th floor

The conference will be held in both English and Lithuanian and simultaneous translations will be available.

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9:00-09:10 Opening session/Welcome speeches

Mayor of Vilnius - Remigijus Šimašius

The Chairman of Seimas’ of the Republic of Lithuania Committee on Legal Affairs – Julius Sabatauskas

European Foundation of Human Rights – Deputy Director Kristina Voiciukevič

09:10-09:40 Presentation of activities, results and achievements of European Foundation of Human Rights in the last five years

European Foundation of Human Rights – Deputy Director Kristina Voiciukevič

Legal Assistant – Evelina Baliko

09:40-10:05* [i] “National minorities’ culture and its fostering”

Legal adviser of High Commissioner on National Minorities OSCE – Iryna Ulasiuk

10:05-10:30* “Good practice in the protection of national minorities”

Senior Non-resident Research Associate of the European Centre for Minority issues (ECMI) – Dr. Priit Jarve

10:30-10:55* “Poland’s law on Ethnic and National Minorities and Regional Languages”

Expert in minority rights – Dr. Łukasz Wardyn

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10:55-11:20* “Non-discrimination on the ground of language - current trends of national minorities protection in Europe in the context of international standards”

Expert in minority rights – Dr. Elżbieta Kuzborska

11:20-12:00* Coffee break

12:00-12:25* “The situation of national minorities in Lithuania and their participation in social life”

The representative of the Department of National Minorities – Artur Zapolski

12:25-12:50* “Discrimination on the basis of nationality and language in Lithuania”

The representative of the Office of Equal Opportunities Ombudsman – Danguolė Grigolovičienė

12:50-13:15* “Three strategies of Lithuanian ethnic policy and national minorities protection in 2010-2015”

The representative of the Centre for Stateless Cultures at the Faculty of History of Vilnius University - Dr. Grigorijus Potašenko

13:15-13:40* Generalization, discussion and closing

Conference is moderated by the representative of European Foundation of Human Rights

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[i] 20 minutes for presentation; 5 mins. for discussion.