

**30 March:** Submitted written comments to the European Commission (EC) on health inequalities in Europe to provide information on the disadvantaged health position of Roma and offered a series of recommendations on how the DG Health and Consumers (DG SANCO) should react.

**4 May:** Submitted a memorandum to the EC, with the Open Society Institute and *osservAzione*, entitled “Violations of EC law and the fundamental rights of Roma and Sinti by the Italian government in the implementation of the census in ‘nomad camps’”, requesting the launch of infringement proceedings following the census in Romani camps in Italy.

**8 May:** Published a report, with the Legal Defence Bureau for National and Ethnic Minorities and the Hungarian Civil Liberties Union, examining the response of the Hungarian authorities to the murder of two Romani people in February 2009 in Tatárszentgyörgy, Hungary.

### **Campaigning, Conferences, Meetings and Trainings**

**16 January:** Held an inception meeting with EC officials about progress on a study entitled “Activities to Improve the Impact of Policies, Programmes, and Projects Aimed at the Social Inclusion and Non-Discrimination of Roma People in the EU”: Brussels, Belgium.

**26 January:** Participated in a working group meeting hosted by the Institute for Social Policy and Labour to develop standards for the Hungarian child protection system: Budapest, Hungary.

**29 January - 1 February:** Made a presentation at a two-day seminar at the Moldova International University of Law: Chisinau, Moldova.

**30 January:** Participated in a meeting with the Fundamental Rights Agency about progress on a study on the housing situation of Roma and Travellers in the EU: Vienna, Austria.

**3-5 February:** Participated in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Hate Crimes Legislation training and conference: Skopje, Macedonia.

**17 February:** Participated in the 5th Annual NGO Fair of Central European University (CEU): Budapest, Hungary.

**17-18 February:** Participated in the Decade of Roma Inclusion International Steering Committee Meeting: Belgrade, Serbia.

**19 February:** Attended the conference on “International Perspectives on Positive Action Measures” organised by the Centre for Inclusion and Diversity for the European Commission: Brussels, Belgium.

**20 February:** Organised consultation meetings with Romani NGOs to discuss the ERRC’s further involvement in Turkey: Ankara, Turkey.

**22-28 February:** Organised a workshop for Roma rights activists from four Balkan countries on anti-discrimination law capacitation, with support from the United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF): Podgorica, Montenegro.

- 2-3 March:** Organised consultation meetings with Romani NGOs to discuss the ERRC's further involvement in Turkey: Izmir, Turkey.
- 4 March:** Attended a hearing at the 10 Administrative Court of Istanbul litigated by four residents of Sulukule neighbourhood with the support of the ERRC to request the cancelation of the urban renovation project developed by Fatih Municipality: Istanbul, Turkey.
- 5 March:** Organised consultation meetings with Romani NGOs to discuss the ERRC's further involvement in Turkey: Istanbul, Turkey.
- 7 March:** Gave a lecture on the situation of Roma in Europe at Bilgi University: Istanbul, Turkey.
- 12 March:** Held meetings with EC officials about progress on a study entitled "Activities to Improve the Impact of Policies, Programmes, and Projects Aimed at the Social Inclusion and Non-Discrimination of Roma People in the EU": Brussels, Belgium.
- 18-20 March:** Participated as presenter and rapporteur at the Commemoration Event for the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination organised by the OSCE: Vienna, Austria.
- 27 March:** Hosted a meeting of the ERRC Board of Directors: Budapest, Hungary.
- 31 March – 1 April:** Participated in the Workshop on Indicators and Monitoring organised within the Decade of Roma Inclusion: Belgrade, Serbia.
- 6-7 April:** Participated in the Roma Decade Conference entitled "Empowerment of Romani Women in the Context of Contemporary Social Policies – Exchange of Experience and Good Practices": Sofia, Bulgaria.
- 10-11 April:** Organised a two-day workshop which brought more than 20 Romani NGOs from various cities in Turkey to discuss Turkey's membership in the Decade of Roma Inclusion: Ankara, Turkey.
- 11 April:** Met with parliamentarians to discuss Turkey's membership in the Decade of Roma Inclusion: Ankara, Turkey.
- 16 April:** Participated in a meeting of the European Roma Policy Coalition: Brussels, Belgium.
- 16 April:** Attended a conference organised by the European Roma Information Office on the political participation of Roma before the European elections: Brussels, Belgium.
- 20-24 April:** Participated in the UN Durban Review Conference: Geneva, Switzerland.
- 21 April:** Participated in the NGO expo hosted by Corvinus University: Budapest, Hungary.
- 24 April:** Participated in the first meeting of the European Commission Roma Platform: Prague, Czech Republic.
- 27 April - 1 May:** Organised a workshop for Roma rights activists from six countries on housing rights capacitation, with the support of UNDEF: Podgorica, Montenegro.
- 27 April:** Presented at the seminar entitled "Segregation?!" organised by the Slovak Parliamentary Committee for Human Rights, Minorities and Status of Women: Bratislava, Slovakia.
- 30 April:** Participated in the expert forum on "Combating Trafficking Women, Prostitution, and Other Forms of Violence Against Women in Hungary – cooperation of experts I", organised by Foundation for the Women of Hungary – MONA: Budapest, Hungary.
- 4-5 May:** Presented at the Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Hate Crimes–Effective Implementation of Legislation, organised by the OSCE: Vienna, Austria.
- 7 May:** Attended a roundtable meeting of the "Together to School" NGO coalition aiming to end segregation of Romani children in the Czech Republic: Prague, Czech Republic.

- 8 May:** Participated in a meeting with the Fundamental Rights Agency about progress on a study on the housing situation of Roma and Travellers in the EU: Vienna, Austria.
- 8-9 May:** Gave a presentation at the Jornadas de Trabajo con Población Rom (Conference on Roma Population in Granada): Granada, Spain.
- 11-12 May:** Participated in the European Citizen Action Service Conference on “Who is responsible for the vulnerable intra-EU migrants and how does the current economic crisis affect them?”: Brussels, Belgium.
- 19 May:** Presented a lecture on practical aspects of litigating before the European Court of Human Rights for CEU students: Budapest, Hungary.
- 25 May:** Participated in the expert forum on “Combating Against Trafficking Women, Prostitution, and other forms of violence against women in Hungary – cooperation of experts II”, organised by Foundation for the Women of Hungary-MONA: Budapest, Hungary.
- 25 May:** Participated in the second forum of the initiative entitled “Fight Against Women’s Trafficking, Prostitution and Violence Against Women in Hungary – Opportunities for Inter-professional Cooperation”: Budapest, Hungary.
- 28-29 May:** Co-organised, in cooperation with Roma and Travellers Division, Council of Europe, the 13th study session for persons involved in providing legal assistance to Roma and Traveller communities: Strasbourg, France.
- 2-3 June:** Presented ERRC strategic litigation in education cases at the conference entitled “The Right to Education for Every Child”, co-organised by the Serbian Ministry of Human and Minority Rights, the Serbian Ministry of Education, the Fund for an Open Society–Serbia, Roma Education Fund, The World Bank and UNICEF: Belgrade, Serbia.
- 3 June:** Participated in a Decade Watch methodology development meeting: Budapest, Hungary.
- 9 June:** Testified about the situation of increasing violence against Roma in Slovakia and the Czech Republic at the US Helsinki Commission hearing on Roma entitled “Hard Times and Hardening Attitudes: The Economic Downturn and the Rise of Violence Against Roma”: Washington, DC, USA.
- 10 June:** Attended a workshop on hate crimes in Hungary, organised by the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights: Budapest, Hungary.
- 10 June:** Conducted a fact-finding mission to Hajdunanas concerning the evictions of approximately 30 Romani families from a social housing complex: Hajdunanas, Hungary.
- 11-12 June:** Attended a European Network Against Racism training seminar on fighting racial violence: Brussels, Belgium.
- 11 June:** Participated in the consultations of the European Commission’s DG Enlargement with representatives from international and non-governmental organisations: Brussels, Belgium.
- 12 June:** Participated in the meeting of the Informal Contact Group of intergovernmental organisations, institutions and NGOs dealing with Roma, Sinti and Travellers: Brussels, Belgium.
- 12 June:** Participated in a meeting with the Fundamental Rights Agency about progress on a study on the right of Roma to free movement and residence in the EU: Vienna, Austria.
- 12-13 June:** Participated in the 17th annual conference on the “Individual vs. the State – Arguments That Work” hosted by CEU: Budapest, Hungary.
- 16-18 June:** Joined a fact-finding mission to Italy with Open Society Justice Initiative, meeting with politicians, lawyers and local NGOs with a view to developing strategies and partnerships: Rome and Milan, Italy.
- 18 June:** Made a presentation at the “Roundtable on Extremism”, a structure of Czech NGOs to discuss potential reactions to the increase of anti-Romani violence, hosted by the Open Society Foundation: Prague, the Czech Republic.

- 18 June:** Attended the meeting entitled “The European Court of Human Rights in the National Legal and Political Order – Implementation of Its Judgments and the Rights of Marginalized Individuals and Minorities”, co-organised by the JURISTRAS project and the Council of Europe Directorate General for Human Rights and Legal Affairs: Strasbourg, France.
- 25 June:** Participated in an NGO consultation hosted by the OSCE within the framework of its field visit to Hungary to assess recent attacks against Roma: Budapest, Hungary.
- 25-26 June:** Together with OSI and Romanian citizens, conducted documentation on the repatriation of Romanian Roma from Northern Ireland through the Budapest airport: Budapest, Hungary.
- 25-26 June:** Presented at the EU conference on the role of civil society and trade unions in combating discrimination: Budapest, Hungary.
- 25 June:** Attended the roundtable meeting of the “Together to School” NGO coalition aiming to end segregation of Romani children in the Czech Republic: Prague, Czech Republic.
- 30 June:** Attended the Equinet seminar “The European concept of Equality – Role of the European Court of Justice”: Brussels, Belgium.