

May 2007: Published the report entitled, "We Are Here: Discriminatory Exclusion and Struggle for Rights of Roma in Turkey". This report was compiled as an output of the project "Roma Rights in Turkey", implemented by the ERRC, the Helsinki Citizen's Assembly and EDROM. The book is available in English and Turkish.

## Campaigning, Conferences, Meetings and Training

- **22-23 January 2008:** Attended the "European Conference on the Romani Population" organised by the Italian Higher School for Interior Administration (Scuola Superiore dell'Amministrazione dell'Interno): Rome, Italy.
- **27-29 January:** Visited Romani women's rights groups and activists in Niksic and Podgorica, Montenegro, and discussed possibilities for further research: Niksic and Podgorica, Montenegro.
- **6-7 February:** Attended a meeting of the project "Roma Rights in Turkey" with project partners Helsinki Citizens' Assembly and EDROM: Edirne, Turkey.
- **8-9 February:** Moderated a session during the conference entitled "Roma Access to Education in Turkey", organised by ERIO, REF and the Sulukule Roman Culture and Solidarity Association: Istanbul, Turkey.
- **12 February:** Attended the conference entitled "Roma Employment Challenges and Barriers," a closing event for the EQUAL project "Local Labor Counselling Centers New Service for Disadvantaged Groups": Bratislava, Slovakia.
- **22 February:** Attended the conference "Roma Identity and Culture", organised by the Institute of Hungarian Culture and Applied Arts: Budapest, Hungary.

- **19-22 February:** Participated in the CERD review of Italy: Geneva, Switzerland.
- **26 February:** Hosted the OSCE High Commissioner for National Minorities during his official visit to Hungary: Budapest, Hungary.
- **3-14 March:** Conducted a mini pupillage under the supervision of Mr Timothy Jones, a barrister of Chambers No 5: Birmingham, UK.
- **17-22 March:** Assisted a Turkish film crew in producing a documentary on Romani activism in Central Europe: Slovakia, Czech Republic and Hungary.
- **24-29 March:** Conducted field research on children's rights issues: Moldova.
- **2-5 April:** Participated in the conference "Principals on Equality", organised by the Equal Rights Trust: London, UK.
- **4 April:** Attended a meeting with the Group of Women Harmed by Sterilisation: Ostrava, Czech Republic.
- **14-20 April:** Conducted an intensive training workshop for Romani women on effective health rights advocacy: Sofia, Bulgaria.
- **17-18 April:** Presented ERRC experience on equal treatment and anti discrimination at a

- seminar organised by Legal Information Centre for Human Rights: Tallinn, Estonia.
- **17-18 April:** Presented information on actions to combat discrimination against Roma in education at a Steering Committee Meeting of the Decade of Roma Inclusion: Budapest, Hungary.
- 17-19 April: Presented ERRC experience in conducting strategic litigation and cases and the potential for strategic impact during an international seminar entitled "Strategic Litigation, Law Clinics and Human Rights", organised by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: Guatemala City, Guatemala.
- **22 April:** Attended a meeting of the Informal Contact Group of Intergovernmental Organisations and Institutions on Roma, Sinti and Travellers: Brussels, Belgium.
- **22-23 April:** Gave a lecture during the workshop "Capacity Building for Swedish Anti-Discrimination Bureaus": Uppsala, Sweden.
- **24-26 April:** Organised and hosted, jointly with projects partners Helsinki Citizens' Assembly and EDROM, the closing conference of the project "Roma Rights in Turkey": Ankara, Turkey.
- **28-30 April:** Hosted, together with the Council of Europe's Roma and Travellers Division, a Study Session on the European Convention on Human Rights for persons providing legal assistance to Roma and Traveller communities: Strasbourg, France.
- **29 April 3 May:** Conducted human rights research in Romani, Ashkaeli and Egyptian communities: Kosovo.
- **29-30 April:** Conducted a two day anti-discrimination law advocacy training workshop for minority activists: Prizren, Kosovo.
- **1-2 May:** Conducted a two day anti-discrimination law advocacy training workshop for minority activists: Ferizaj, Kosovo.

- **5-9 May:** Presented information on Roma rights matters in Europe at a conference organised by the Northern Ireland Council for Ethnic Minorities (NICEM): Belfast, Northern Ireland.
- **7 May:** Presented on effective advocacy skills at Central European University, as part of the credit programme organised by the Human Rights Students' Initiative: Budapest, Hungary.
- **9 May:** Hosted the semi annual meeting of the ERRC Board of Directors: Budapest, Hungary.
- **9-10 May:** Participated at a meeting of the International Council on Human Rights: Kampala, Uganda.
- **12-14 May:** Conducted meetings with NGOs on education discrimination and coerced sterilisation matters: Prague and Brno, Czech Republic.
- **15 May:** Attended the closing conference of the project "School integration of children living in settlements or settlement-like environments", organised by the Hungarian Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs: Budapest, Hungary.
- **19 May:** Participated in a meeting with the Czech Ministry of Education on implementation of the judgment *D.H. and Others v. the Czech Republic*: Prague, Czech Republic.
- 19-23 May: Gave a presentation on "Minority and Roma Rights" at a conference entitled "Regional Programme on Human Rights for Europe and Central Asia 2007 Regional Phase", organised by the Raul Wallenberg Institute and the Macedonian Helsinki Committee: Ohrid, Macedonia.
- **26-27 May:** Attended the OSCEs 8th High-Level Alliance Conference on "Child Trafficking: Responses and Challenges at Local Level": Vienna, Austria.
- **30 May 3 June:** Conducted a training session for civil society representatives on preventing and responding to hate crimes, within a wider event organised by the OSCE Office for

- Democratic Institutions and Human Rights: Warsaw, Poland.
- **4 June:** Hosted an informal gathering of local and international NGOs based in Budapest: Budapest, Hungary.
- **6-7 June:** Conducted a training workshop for Serbian Romani women activists on the CEDAW Convention and advocacy for the implementation of CEDAWs recommendations to Serbia: Belgrade, Serbia.
- **9 June:** Presented information on Roma rights matters at the training session for law enforcement authorities: Odessa, Ukraine.
- **13 June:** Held a final planning meeting with the Group of Women Harmed by Sterilisation in

- advance of the Women's Worlds Congress 2008: Ostrava, Czech Republic.
- **19-20 June:** Hosted the "Study Session on the European Convention On Human Rights For Persons Involved In Legal Assistance To Roma": Moscow, Russia.
- **24 June:** Lectured on strategic litigation for Central European University students: Budapest, Hungary.
- **28-29 June:** Conducted a training workshop for Serbian Romani women activists on the CEDAW Convention and advocacy for the implementation of CEDAWs recommendations to Serbia: Nis, Serbia.