

Ensuring adequate and effective regional, national and local funds  
for Roma equality, inclusion and participation  
- past, present and future challenges -

18 May 2022

Venue: European Parliament, József Antall (JAN) building, room 6Q2  
14h00 - 16h25

Co-hosts: MEP Anna Júlia Donáth, Renew, Hungary  
and MEP Romeo Franz, Greens/EFA, Germany

Agenda

14:00      **Introductory remarks**

*Moderation: Marius Tudor, Senior Adviser to MEP Romeo Franz*

14:00      **Anna Júlia Donáth**, Member of the European Parliament, Renew, Hungary, member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE), substitute Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL)

14:05      **Romeo Franz**, Member of the European Parliament, Greens/EFA, Germany, Chair ARDI Intergroup, member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) and the Committee on Culture and Education (CULT)

14:10      **Normunds Popens**, Deputy Director-General for Regional and Urban Policy (DG REGIO)

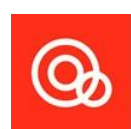
14:15      **Gabriela Hrabaňová**, Director, ERGO Network

14:20      **Ways to improve funding for Roma equality, inclusion and participation**

*Moderation: Daniel Grebeldinger, Director, Nevo Parudimos Association, Romania*

14:25      **Marko Pecak** - Presentation of the main findings of ERGO Network's report on "Funding for bottom-up approaches to Roma inclusion - ways forward to support Roma inclusion"

14:35      **Zuzana Havírová**, Director, Roma Advocacy and Research Centre, Slovakia & **Marek Hojsík**, Policy Officer, Democratic Institute, Central European University (online), on desegregation conditionality for EU funding



**14:50** **Isabela Mihalache**, Senior Policy Officer, ERGO Network, on the upcoming Greens/EFA "Guide on EU funds for Roma equality, and inclusion 2021-2027" (to be launched at the event)

**15:00 -15:15** *Questions & Answers*

**15:15** **Monitoring the effectiveness of national and EU funds for Roma under the National Roma Strategic Frameworks: the case of Roma Civil Monitoring (RCM)**

*Moderation: Belén Sánchez-Rubio, Head of International Department, Fundación Secretariado Gitano (FSG), Spain, member of the RCM consortium*

**15:15** **Michal Miko**, RomanoNet, RCM Coordinator Czech Republic

**15:25** **Guillermo Ruiz**, Central Council for German Sinti and Roma, RCM Coordinator Germany

**15:35** **Elzbieta Mirga-Wójtowicz**, Art Foundation Jaw Dikh, RCM Coordinator Poland

**15:45** **Patricia Bezunartea Barrio**, National Roma Contact Point (NRCP), Spain (video message)

**15:55** **Szabolcs Schmidt**, Head of Unit, Non-Discrimination and Roma Coordination, Directorate General for Justice and Consumers, European Commission, on the importance of independent monitoring and data collection

**16:06 - 16:20** *Questions & Answers*

**16:20** **Concluding remarks**

**16:20** **Lucia Ďuriš Nicholsonová**, Member of the European Parliament, Renew Europe Group, Slovakia, member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL), Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) and substitute of the Committee on Culture and Education (CULT)

