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# **ENAR Policy Seminar “Framing a positive approach to Migration”**

6 and 7 November 2008  
Paris, France

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13.00 – 14.00

Registrations

**OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE**

14.00 – 14.30

**Welcome and introduction: Migration and Anti-Racism**

*The introduction will set the debate into the context of ENAR's mandate on migration, considering the dual concerns of the rights of migrants as an anti-racism issue and of the impact of the public discourse on the achievement of a Europe without racism. It will examine the contribution made to the European dialogue on migration by the French Presidency, looking forward to the future development of a common immigration policy for Europe.*

**Welcoming speeches:**

Welcome by the French National Coordination on the occasion of the ENAR Policy Seminar 'Framing a Positive Approach to Migration', held under the French Presidency of the European Union.

**Ms. Brice Monnou, Chair of ENAR France**

Introduction by **Mr. Mohammed Aziz, Chair of ENAR** on Anti-Racism and the EU Approach to Migration: The perspective of European anti-racist civil society

14.30 – 14.50

**Opening Speech**

*Session chaired by Mr. Mohammed Aziz, Chair of ENAR*

*Continuing the Tampere and Hague process: common policies and the rights of migrants*

**Representative of the French Presidency or the General Secretariat of the Council of the EU (tbc)**

14.50 – 15.05

**Respondent:** Has the EU's French Presidency taken up the challenge of promoting a European approach of migration and asylum which contributes to building a racism-free Europe?

**Mr. Michel Tubiana, Honorary President of the Ligue des droits de l'homme**

15.05 – 15.30

*Questions and answers*

15.30 – 15.45	<b>Coffee Break</b>
15.45 – 16.45	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session 1: The nature of the debate: Dialogue, Reality and Rights</b>  <i>Session chaired by Ms Pascale Charhon, Director of ENAR</i></p> <p><i>The purpose of this session will be to place the debate into the context of the dominant rhetoric on migration and to challenge the common misconceptions on which migration policies are based.</i></p> <p><b>Speaker 1:</b> Human Rights and the rights of migrants: Universality, specificities and dominant dialogues  <b>Mr. Patrick Taran</b>, Senior Migration Specialist, International Migration Branch, International Labour Office (ILO)</p> <p><b>Speaker 2:</b> Demography and migration: what do we know?  <b>Mr. François Héran</b>, Director, Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques (INED)</p> <p><b>Speaker 3:</b> Migration Policy and the Security agenda  <b>Ms Anastassia Tsoukala</b>, Associate Professor at the Paris XI University, researcher for CHALLENGE - The Changing Landscape of European Liberty and Security - research project</p>
16.45 – 17.15	Questions and answers
17.15 – 17.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>

<p><b>17.30 – 18.30</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session 2: Human Rights and Migration</b>  <i>Session chaired by Mr. William Ejala,  Representative on the ENAR Bureau for the Eastern Region and  ENAR Board Member for Hungary</i></p> <p><i>Moving from the conceptual framework, the purpose of this session is to place the debate on migration into the framework of international human rights law from the perspective of NGOs, Civil Society and other key stakeholders.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Panel: NGOs, Civil Society and Other Stakeholders</b></p> <p><i>Representatives of a range of NGOs Civil Society and other key stakeholders will be invited to speak about the main priorities and issues on migration and human rights, bringing the discussion from the ‘high level’ theoretical and legal sphere into the realities of the dialogue on migration through the lens of those working with those affected.</i></p> <p>Panellists:</p> <p><b>Ms Michelle Levoy</b>, Director, <i>Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants (PICUM)</i></p> <p><b>Ms Maria Duro Mansilla</b>, Research Officer, <i>European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE)</i></p> <p><b>Ms Haleh Chahrokh</b>, Researcher Europe and Central Asia Division, <i>Human Rights Watch</i></p> <p><b>Ms. Yvette Jarvis</b>, Special Advisor to the Mayor of Athens on Immigration, <i>Municipality of Athens, Greece</i></p> <p><b>Mr. Pierre Barge</b>, President, <i>Association européenne pour la défense des droits de l’homme (AEDH)</i></p>
<p><b>18.30 – 19.30</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Debate</b></p>
<p><b>20.30</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dinner at the hotel</b></p>

**7 NOVEMBER 2008**

**09.00 – 09.45**

**Session 1: EU Legal Competence and Migration**

*Session chaired by Ms Clara Lopez de Letona  
Vice Chair of ENAR and Board Member for Spain*

*The purpose of this session is to place the discussions into the context of the development of EU Law and Policy on Migration and Asylum and where it is going, with a specific focus on the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.*

**Speaker 1:** EU Competence and a Common EU Migration Policy  
**Professor Philippe De Bruycker**, Institute for European Studies of the Université Libre de Bruxelles and coordinator of the Odysseus Academic Network for Legal Studies on Immigration and Asylum in Europe

**Speaker 2:** Using the Charter of Fundamental Rights to Secure the Rights of Third Country Nationals: the Example of Asylum  
**Samuel Boutruche** – United Nations Refugee Agency – Associate European Affairs Officer

**09.45 – 10.15**

*Questions and answers*

**10.15 – 10.45**

**Coffee Break**

**10.45 – 11.00**

**Introduction to the workshops**  
*by Ms Tansy Hutchinson, ENAR Policy Officer*

<p><b>11.00 – 13.00</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session 2: Workshops</b></p> <p><i>Following the more conceptual and ‘dialogue framing’ aspects to the seminar, the workshops will provide a place for concrete discussion on specific areas and the formulation of concrete recommendations.</i></p> <p><i>Workshops will be run by strategic partners on the basis of a concept agreed with ENAR. Each workshop will agree two questions to be put to the panellists in the afternoon debate and 3-5 Recommendations for ‘Framing a Positive Approach to Migration’ to be discussed in the concluding session..</i></p> <p><b>Workshops</b> (For details please see detailed papers in your packs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Challenges and opportunities of integration policies from a local authority and gender perspective</b>, in partnership with the European Women’s Lobby and Cities for Local Integration Policy (CLIP) Network <i>by Ms Amandine Bach, Ms Karima Ben Ahmed, Ms Meri Kumbe, Ms Salome Mbugua (EWL) and Ms Anne Ludwinek (CLIP)</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Labour migration and migrants’ rights</b>, in partnership with European Trade Union Confederatop <i>by Mr. Marco Cilento (ETUC)</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Migration and the media</b> <i>by Ms Claire Frachon, Ms Sophie Boudry and Mr. Bashy Quraishy</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Migration and development</b>, in partnership with ENAR France <i>by Chiara Tamburini (NBL Group, Member of the LIBE Committee), Jean-Michel Cendres (MRAP and Member of the “Collectif de soutien des exilés du Xème arrondissement”), Brice Monnou (Chair of FECODEV) and Yéra Démbéle (Chair of FAFRAD)</i></li> </ul>
<p><b>13.00 - 14.00</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lunch</b></p>

<p><b>14.00 – 16.00</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session 3: Question Time Debate: Shaping the political dialogue</b>  <i>Session chaired by Ms Sarah Isal</i>  <i>Member of the ENAR Policy and Lobbying Committee and Substitute Board Member for the UK</i></p> <p><i>This session aims to enable a debate on the political dialogue and approaches that are shaping the EU approach to migration. By bringing together the current debate within the Council and the priorities of the French Presidency, the current thinking on the future of the Hague programme and the policies relating to review of the Lisbon Strategy it will enable participants to strategically understand, debate and influence the debate on migration in the EU at its formative stages.</i></p> <p>This session will take the format of a ‘question time’. This means that panellists will be given a maximum of 5 minutes to introduce themselves and their role, but will not be asked to make presentations, but rather to respond to questions from the audience. Each workshop will be asked to submit 2 questions and the audience will be given the opportunity to submit questions in advance. After the panellists have responded, the person who posed the question will be given an opportunity to react to the answers.</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Jerome Vignon</b>, Director of Directorate E: Social Protection and Integration, DG Employment and Social Affairs</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Martin Schiffer</b>, Acting Head of Unit, Immigration and Integration, DG Justice, Freedom and Security, European Commission.</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Patrick Gaubert MEP</b>, Vice Chairman of the EP Subcommittee on Human Rights and Member of the EP Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Luis Miguel Pariza Castaños</b>, Member of the European Economic and Social Committee</li> <li>▪ <b>Mrs. Hélène Flautre</b>, European Deputy, The Greens, Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights</li> </ul>
<p><b>16.00 – 16.30</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Coffee Break</b></p>

<p><b>16.30 – 17.15</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Debate on seminar conclusions and recommendations</b>  <i>Chaired by Mr Mohammed Aziz, Chair of ENAR</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>This session will enable the presentation of the recommendations from the workshops and a debate leading to seminar conclusions and recommendations. These will inform ENARs work on advocating for a more positive approach to migration in the development of a Common European Policy on Migration.</i></p>
<p><b>17.15 – 17.30</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Closing comment by Mr. Mohammed Aziz, Chair of ENAR</b></p>
<p><b>19.15</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Departure for the dinner organised by the French Coordination at the Restaurant “Lectures gourmandes”</b></p>