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Agenda

Panel Meeting on Migration Strategies

Minsk, Belarus
7-8 December 2016

- Please note that simultaneous interpretation English and Russian will be provided –

First day 6 December		
19:30	Welcome reception at the Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania (address: 68, Zakharova str., Minsk)	Please note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the bus will depart from the Crowne Plaza hotel at 19:30 - dress code: smart casual - security will ask for ID

Second day 7 December		
Venue: International Training Center on Migration and Combatting Trafficking in Human Beings of the Academy of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Belarus. Address: 6, Masherova ave., Minsk The bus will depart from the Crowne Plaza hotel at 8:30		
09:00-09:30	Registration of participants	
Welcome and opening		

09:30-10:00	Introductory statements	<p>Mr. Nikolay Melchenko Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs, Republic of Belarus</p> <p>Ms. Andrea Wiktorin Head of the EU Delegation to the Republic of Belarus</p> <p>Mr. Andrius Pulokas Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Lithuania in the Republic of Belarus</p> <p>Ms. Argentina Szabados International Organization for Migration (IOM) Director for South-Eastern Europe, Eastern Europe and Central Asia</p>
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Session I – Role of a strategic document in the sphere of migration Moderator: Mr. Robert Rybicki, DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission		
10:00-10:20	Importance of having a national migration strategy (migration policy concept): Belarusian context	Mr. Aleksey Begun Head of the Department of Citizenship and Migration, Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Belarus
10:20-10:40	EU strategies on migration: European Agenda for Migration	Mr. Robert Rybicki DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission
10:40-11:00	Preparing the ground for the elaboration of migration strategies – what, who and how?	Mr. Oleg Chirita Programme Manager, ICMPD
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30-11:50	Long-term vision and practical insight: a bottom-up approach to strategic thinking?	Ms. Valeria Ilareva Head lawyer, Foundation for Access to Rights - FAR
11:50-12:10	Overview of national practices with regard to migration strategies	Ms. Laura Scorretti Programme Coordinator, Mission of IOM in Ukraine
12:10-12:50	Discussion	
12:50-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
Session II – Drafting and adoption of the migration strategies Moderator: Mr. Eduard Balandin, Deputy Head of the Division on Migration and Work with Foreigners and Stateless Persons of the Department of Citizenship and Migration of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Belarus		
14:00-14:20	The key elements when drafting migration strategy: diaspora issues	Dr. Raymond C. Xerri President, “Europeans Throughout the World”
14:20-14:40	Drafting method and process of the Hungarian Migration Strategy	Dr. Ágnes Töttös Migration Expert, Senior Counsellor, Department of European Cooperation, Ministry of Interior of Hungary
14:40-15:00	The key elements when drafting migration strategy: engaging civil society	Ms. Anna Piłat Institute of Public Affairs/Migration Policy Programme
15:00-15:20	Development of a new migration strategy of Armenia	Ms. Maria Allahverdyan Head of the Migration Policy Unit, State Migration Service, Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia
15:20-15:50	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15:50-16:10	2016-2020 Migration Strategy of Georgia – Strategic planning and lessons learnt	Mr. Temur Goginovi Expert in Analytical Issues, Secretariat of the State Commission on Migration Issues of Georgia
16:10-16:50	<i>Discussion</i>	





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Session III – Implementation of the migration strategies		
Moderator: Mr. Gintaras Valiulis , Senior Adviser, Public Security and Migration Policy Department of the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania		
09:00-09:20	Human smuggling and trafficking - in a migration management perspective and the need for new durable solutions	Mr. Anders Lisborg Senior Adviser, Danish Center against Human Trafficking
09:20-09:40	Key aspects of the Lithuanian Migration Policy Guidelines	Mr. Maksim Afanasjev Chief Officer, Public Security and Migration Policy Department, Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania
09:40-10:00	Revision of the State Migration Policy Concept	Ms. Tetiana Kasian Chief Specialist, Organizational Support Department, State Migration Service of Ukraine
10:00-10:20	Key aspects of the National Strategy on Migration and Asylum of the Republic of Moldova: reporting and monitoring procedure	Ms. Daniela Chiperco Senior specialist, Legislative, Coordination and Data Management Department, Bureau for Migration and Asylum of the Republic of Moldova
10:20-10:50	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10:50-11:10	Development and implementation of the national migration strategy (policy) of the Republic of Azerbaijan	Mr. Namik Jafarov Deputy Head, Department on Refugee Status Determination, State Migration Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan
11:10-11:30	Belarusian experience of implementation of the border control policy	Mr. Andrey Kuksov Deputy Head, Legal Department, State Border Guard Committee of the Republic of Belarus
11:30-12:00	Discussion	
General Panel Business		
12:00-12:20	2017 meetings: topics and hosting and co-organizing countries	Mr. Robert Rybicki DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission All the participants
12:20-12:40	Results of the evaluation of the support to the Panel provided in 2012-2016 (conducted in July-August 2016)	Ms. Yuliya Ryzhykh Senior Project Specialist, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Mission in Ukraine
Closure of the Expert Meeting		
12:40-13:00	Closing remarks	Mr. Robert Rybicki DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission Mr. Aleksandr Tatura Deputy Head of the Department of Citizenship and Migration, Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Belarus Mr. Gintaras Valiulis Senior Adviser, Public Security and Migration Policy Department, Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania
13:00	<i>Lunch</i>	

