



## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities DG

### Legal Seminar

### Making Equality Rights Work in Practice

9 November 2010

Hotel Crowne Plaza Le Palace

Rue Gineste 3, 1210 Brussels

**From 9.00**      **Participant Registration**

#### **Plenary Session**

*Room: Palace Ballroom*

Chair:            **Mr. Christopher McCrudden**, Expert Non-Discrimination Network and Executive Committee Gender Network

**09.30 – 10.00**    **Introduction**

**Ms. Belinda Pyke**, Director Equality between Men/Women, Action against Discrimination, Civil Society, European Commission – DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

**10.00 – 11.00**    **Key note speech**

**Mr. Trevor Philips** – Chair of the British Commission for Equality & Human Rights

**11.00 – 11.15**    **Coffee Break**

#### **Morning Workshop Sessions**

**11.15 - 12.45**

#### **1 – Access to Justice / Enforcement - including Costs & Legal Aid**

*Room: Exploration*

Chair:            **Ms. Nathy Rass-Masson**, Legal Advisor, Milieu

Speakers:      **Ms. Hélène Masse-Dessen**, Executive Committee Gender Network (morning session only)

**Ms. Sophia Spiliotopoulos**, Expert Gender Network Greece (afternoon session only)

**Dr. Niraj Nathwani**, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

#### **2 – Gender Pay Gap**

*Room: Creativity*

Chair:            **Mr. Pierre Hausemer**, Matrix Knowledge Group

Speakers:      **Ms. Petra Foubert**, University of Hasselt, Belgium

**Ms. Séverine Lemièrre**, University Paris Decartes, France



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### **3 – Positive Obligations**

*Room: Harmony*

- Chair: **Prof. Dr. Linda Senden**, Tilburg University, the Netherlands and Executive Committee Gender Network
- Speakers: **Prof. Sandra Fredman**, Oxford University, the United Kingdom  
**Ms. Prof. Dra. Berta Valdés de la Vega**, University Castilla-La Mancha, Expert Gender Network Spain (morning session only)  
**Mr. Goran Selanec, LL.M.**, S.J.D. Candidate University of Michigan Law School, Expert Gender Network Croatia (afternoon session only)

### **4 - Equality Bodies**

*Room: Innovation*

- Chair: **Mr. Marcel Zwamborn**, Human European Consultancy
- Speakers: **Dr. Adel Kegye**, Hungarian Equal Treatment Authority  
**Mrs. Sophie Latraverse**, Expert Non-Discrimination Network France

### **5 - Disability Discrimination (including Accessibility)**

*Room: Evasion*

- Chair: **Ms. Orlagh O'Farrell**, Expert Non-Discrimination Network Ireland
- Speakers: **Mrs. Anna Lawson**, University of Leeds, the United Kingdom  
**Mr. Rodolfo Cattani**, European Disability Forum Secretary

### **6 - Indirect Discrimination**

*Room: Serenity*

- Chair: **Prof. Christa Tobler**, Expert Non-Discrimination Network
- Speakers: **Ms. Romanita Iordache**, Expert Non-Discrimination Network Romania  
**Prof. Dr. Peter Rodriguez**, Head of Research and Documentation Department - Anne Frank House, the Netherlands

**12.45 – 14.00 Lunch**

<b>Afternoon Workshop Sessions</b>
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**14.00 – 15.30** **Workshop Sessions 1-6** (Same topics as morning sessions)

**15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break**

<b>Closing Session</b>
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*Room: Palace Ballroom*

**16.00 - 17.30 Summary by Chairs of Workshops**  
Chair – **Mr. Jan Niessen**, Migration Policy Group

**17.30 Cocktail**