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Thematic network Integration and Diversity

Meeting document

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28 February – 1st March 2013

*Cité nationale de l'histoire de l'immigration
Palais de la Porte dorée
293, avenue Daumesnil
Paris (75012)*

Pre-draft agenda

Thursday 28 February

- 14.00 Meeting in front of the *Palais de la Porte dorée*
- 14.15 Start of the guided tour of the permanent exhibition of the National House of Immigration History (*Cité Nationale de l'Histoire de l'Immigration*)
- 15.45 Debate on: **Non-EU immigrants: what participation in local life?** (right to vote, active citizenship, volunteering...)
- **Claudine Bouygues**, Paris City Council, deputy mayor in charge of Integration
 - **Raed Arafat**, Secretary of State at the Romanian Ministry of Health, founder of the *SMURD* Emergencies service *tbc*
 - **Ronald Lucardie**, president of EUNOMAD (European Network on Migrations and Development) *tbc*
 - **Luis Rios Miguel**, president of the Migrants and European Citizenship Platform
 - Members of CEMR Integration and Diversity Thematic network or Committee on Governance and Citizenship *tbc*
- 17.15 End of debates
- 20.00 Activity organised jointly with Paris City Council or other nearby municipality or association active in this field

Friday 1st March

- 9.30 Welcome
- 10.00 Debate on: **The European Union and the local and regional authorities: what cooperation on the field of the Integration of migrants?**
- **Dirk Ostendorf**, Deputy-mayor of Werne (RGRE) *tbc*
 - **Claude Moraes**, MEP (UK, S&D) *tbc*
 - **Pelin Gündeş Bakır**, Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, rapporteur on « Integration of migrants : is Europe failing ? » *tbc*
 - **Leila El Fahimi**, European Commission, DG Home Affairs, in charge of legal immigration, integration, asylum within Cecilia Malmström's cabinet *tbc*
 - **Ayşe Özbabacan**, coordinator of the CLIP network *tbc*
 - **Ana Feder**, Eurocities, responsible for the Migrations and Integration field *tbc*
 - Members of CEMR Integration and Diversity Thematic network *tbc*
- 12.00 Lunch
- 13.30 Debate on: **Migration policies in the European Union: do local and regional authorities have a say?**
- **Jacques Toubon**, president of the *Cité nationale de l'histoire de l'immigration*'s advisory board, former French Minister of Justice and

Culture, former member of France's National Assembly, former mayor of Paris' 13th *arrondissement*

- **Wolfgang Schuster**, President of CEMR
- **Simon Busutill**, MEP (Malta, EPP) *tbc*
- **Marie-Christine Vergiat**, MEP (France, United Left) *tbc*
- **Christopher Chope**, Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, rapporteur on « Arrival of migrants to Italian coastal areas » (UK) *tbc*
- **Peter Bosch**, European Commission, DG Home Affairs, in charge of irregular immigration, return policy/readmissions, migrations and development within Cecilia Malmström's cabinet *tbc*
- **Maurizio Busatti**, International Organization for Migration, Director for France *tbc*
- Members of CEMR Integration and Diversity Thematic network

15.30 Debate between the permanent members of the network on its role, positioning and functioning

17.00 End of debate

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