



Programme



Ending homelessness is possible! How can the EU effectively contribute to the fight against homelessness?

Organised in the framework of the European Year for Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion
European Parliament, 14 April 2010 from 3.00pm
Room JAN4Q1

Session 1

- Words of welcome
Liz Lynne MEP (Chair)
- Opportunities for ambitious EU level action on homelessness in the current policy context
Mr László Andor, Commissioner responsible for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
- Reactions from MEPs, including initiatives from the EP on homelessness
Panel composed of Karima Delli, Jacek Protasiewicz, Britta Thomsen and Ilda Figueiredo
- Questions from the floor

Session 2

- Recommendations from the Report on Homelessness and Housing Exclusion by the Network of Independent Experts on Social Inclusion
Mr Eric Marlier, International Senior Advisor CEPS/INSTEAD
- Main demands of FEANTSA's campaign on ending homelessness
Mr René Kneip, FEANTSA President
- How should the EU support national strategies to tackle homelessness?
Mr Peter Juul, Head of Division, Ministry of Interior and Social Affairs, Denmark
- Debate: reactions from MEPs and questions from the floor

Session 3

- Spanish Presidency priorities relating to homelessness
Mr Carlos García de Cortázar, Councillor, Coordinator on employment and social affairs, Spanish Permanent Representation
- Homelessness as a priority for the Belgian Presidency
Mr Philippe Courard, Belgian Secretary of State for Social Integration and the Fight Against Poverty
- Debate: reactions from MEPs and questions from the floor
- Conclusions
Liz Lynne MEP

Opening of the exhibition— “Distribution Space”, 3rd Floor, ASP Building

An exhibition of bronze statues will be inaugurated after the hearing, in cooperation with Danish MEP Britta Thomsen and FEANTSA Danish member Projekt UDENFOR.

