



Reality bites: Experiences of immigrants and minorities in the EU

LAUNCH CONFERENCE

Council of the European Union (Justus Lipsius) Press room, Brussels
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PROGRAMME

Conference moderators:

Friso Roscam Abbing, Head of Fundamental Rights Promotion Department, FRA
Shada Islam, Director of Europe and Geopolitics of the Friends of Europe

8:00 - 9:00 **Registration and welcome coffee**

9:00 - 9:05 **WELCOME**

- **Urmas Reinsalu**, Minister of Justice, Republic of Estonia (video message)

9:05 - 9:20 **Revealing immigrants and minorities' experiences of discrimination, hate & integration**

- **Michael O'Flaherty**, Director, FRA

9:20 - 10:50 **PANEL DEBATE: Discrimination & experiences of (non) reporting: What do the EU-MIDIS II survey results tell us?**

- Introduction by **Rossalina Latcheva**, Senior Programme Manager, Freedoms & Justice Department, FRA

Followed by panel debate and plenary discussion:

- **Karen Taylor**, Representative, Initiative for Black People in Germany
- **Nanna Margrethe Krusaa**, Special Advisor and Ethnicity, Equal Treatment Team Leader, Danish Institute for Human Rights
- **Thomas Huddleston**, Migration and Integration Programme Director, Migration Policy Group

- **Umar al-Qadri**, Founder & CEO, Irish Muslim and Peace Integration Council

Commentary:

- **Irena Moozova**, Director for Equality and Union Citizenship, European Commission

10:50 - 11:20 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:20 - 13:15 **PANEL DEBATE: Victimisation & policing**

(continues after keynote):

What do the EU-MIDIS II survey results tell us?

- Short interview with **Dike Uchegbu**, rightsholder
- Introduction by **Joanna Goodey**, Head of Freedoms & Justice Department, FRA

Followed by panel debate and plenary discussion:

- **Michaël Privot**, Director, European Network Against Racism (ENAR)
- **Chiara Adamo**, Head of Fundamental Rights Policy Unit, European Commission
- **Elizabeth Johnston**, Executive Director, European Forum for Urban Security (EFUS)
- **Richard Keenan**, former Chief Inspector with Leicestershire Police

12:30 - 13:00 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

- **Věra Jourová**, Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality, European Commission

13:15 - 14:30 **LUNCH**

14:30 - 16:00 **PANEL DEBATE: Social inclusion, cohesion, participation & belonging:**

What do the EU-MIDIS II survey results tell us?

- Introduction by **Ioannis Dimitrakopoulos**, Head of Equality & Citizens' Rights Department, FRA

Followed by panel debate and plenary discussion:

- **Tofik Dibi**, former member of Dutch parliament
- **Marta Siciarek**, President, Gdansk Immigrant Support Centre
- **David Beňák**, Deputy Minister for Human Rights, Equal Opportunities and Legislation, Czech Republic
- **Adrian Cummins**, CEO, Restaurants Association of Ireland

16:00 - 16:30 **CLOSING REMARKS**

- **Jean Lambert**, Member of the European Parliament, Co-Chair of the Intergroup on Anti-Racism and Diversity
- **Michael O'Flaherty**, Director, FRA

16:30 **Networking reception**