

E.MAlumni Inaugural Meeting

EUROPEAN COMMISSION, BRUSSELS, FRIDAY 21 MAY 2010
CENTRE ALBERT BORSCHETTE - RUE FROISSART, 36 - ROOM "AB0A"

FINAL AGENDA

- 9:00 Registration of participants
- 9:30 Welcome speech by *Mr. Rolf Timans* (European Commission – Head of Unit RELEX B1 "Human Rights")
- 9:40 Welcome speech by *Ms Sari Suomalainen* (European Commission – Head of Unit AIDCO F2 "Central management of thematic budget lines under EIDHR and Ifs")
- 9:50 "E.MAlumni Association: State of the art", by *Prof. Florence Benoît-Rohmer* (EIUC Secretary General) and *Mr. Cristiano Gianolla* (EIUC Networking Officer)

Seminar "To be Human Rights Defenders Today"

- 10:10 "The EU Support to Human Rights Defenders" – Keynote speech by *Mr. Alessio Cappellani* – (European Commission – International Relations Officer RELEX B1 "Human Rights")
- 10:30 "An NGO Perspective on Human Rights Defenders" – Keynote speech by *Mr. Vincent Forest* – (Front Line - Head of European Union Office)

10:50 *Coffee break*

- 11:10 E.MAlumni round table "Human Rights Defenders – Career Option or Necessity?",
With: *Mr. Ewoud Plate* (E.MA 98/99, Aim for Human Rights), *Mr. Igor Vorontsov* (E.MA 00/01, PeaceNexus),
Ms Susanna Daag (E.MA 04/05, CIFCA), *Ms Lena Barrett* (E.MA 06/07, Uni York - Centre for Applied Human Rights),
Ms Diana Doris Akiidii-M'Bingham (E.MA 06/07, GTZ), *Ms Lydia Malmedie* (E.MA 07/08, Stonewall)

12:40 *Buffet Lunch for E.MAlumni*

- 14:00 "Presentation of ACIPS: The Development of an Alumni Association", by *Mr. Sanel Huskić* (President of ACIPS - The Association Alumni of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Studies)

E.MAlumni General Assembly

- 14:20 Approval of the agenda
- 14:25 Introduction on rules and tools
- 14:50 Role and objectives of the E.MAlumni Association
- 15:30 Structure and procedures of the E.MAlumni Association
- 16:10 *Coffee break*
- 16:30 Membership, funding and sustainability of the E.MAlumni Association
- 17:10 Presentation and voting for the amendments of the Statute
- 18:00 End of the General Assembly

20:00 *E.MAlumni Networking Night (dinner, music and chat) Université Libre de Bruxelles, Hall Dupréel - Avenue Jeanne, 44*