



Belgium 2005

Minimum Income and Social Integration Institutional Arrangements



Agenda

Peer Review Meeting
Brussels, Belgium
7-8 November 2005

on behalf of



European Commission
DG Employment, Social Affairs
and Equal Opportunities





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Sunday, 6 November 2005

Arrival of participants

Hotel BRUSSELS EUROVILLAGE
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20.00 Welcome reception/ buffet hosted by the Cabinet of Minister Dupont
at the hotel Brussels Eurovillage

Monday, 7 November 2005

08.30 Reception of participants at

Cabinet of Minister Dupont
Rue de la Loi 51
B-1040 Brussels

* During the peer review meeting simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English and French. At the site visits translation to and from Dutch/Flemish will be provided where needed.



Chairperson:

Mr Eric Mercenier, chef de Cabinet of Minister Dupont, Minister for the Civil Service, Social Integration, Urban Policy and Equal Opportunities

09.00 Welcome and opening by

Mr Christian Dupont, Minister for Civil Service, Social Integration, Urban Policy and Equal Opportunities (to be confirmed)

Mr Adam Tyson, DG Employment and Social Affairs, European Commission

09.30 Presentation of the DIS (*Droit à l'Intégration Sociale* – Right to Social Integration) policy by **Mr Julien Van Geertsom**, President of SPP (*Service Public Fédéral de Programmation*)

First round of questions and comments by peer country participants and stakeholder representatives: key elements of comment papers concerning policies and measures debated in their countries or in Europe

10.30 *Coffee break*

11.00 The DIS policy in a European context, by **Prof. Yuri Kazepov**, thematic expert

Discussion (focus to be determined on the basis of the comment papers)

12.30 *Lunch*

13.30 Departure for site visits to three Public Centres for Social Action (CPAS/OCMW)

- CPAS Fleurus, Walloon region
- CPAS Brussels
- OCMW Herent, Flemish region

20.00 Dinner hosted by the Belgian government



Tuesday 8 November 2005

Chairperson: Ms Thea Meinema, Peer Review manager

08.30 Feedback from the site visits

- What struck participants most during the site visit?
- Do similar situations/problems/policies exist in the participating countries?
- What aspects are most important to remember?

09.00 Discussion in sub-groups, relating the measure to critical issues and country-related questions, chaired by **Mr Julien van Geertsom**, **Ms Muriel Rabau** and **Ms Thea Meinema**

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Feedback from the sub-groups

Discussion on the relevance for and transferability to the peer countries

Contributions of peer country officials, stakeholders and experts

12.30 Lunch

13.30 Conclusions on general assessment and lessons learned

Discussion

14.30 Résumé and closure

Mr Hugues Feltesse, European Commission,
Mr Johan Vandebussche, deputy head of the Cabinet
of Minister Dupont

15.00 End of meeting