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NEWS FROM EAPN

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EAPN calls on Member States to support Commission's proposal for a target to reduce poverty in the EU

EAPN calls on all Member States to make a historic step forward in EU cooperation by defending the Commission's proposals for an explicit target to reduce poverty in the EU when they meet at the Spring Council on the 25-26 March. *"After failing to deliver any reduction in poverty levels in the EU over the last 10 years the setting of a target to lift 20 million European's out of poverty, as one of the 5 key targets for the EU over the next 10 years, is essential to bring political commitment and attention to this problem which impacts directly on 80 million Europeans"* said Fintan Farrell Director of EAPN. Read [full press release](#) and more on [Euractiv website](#).

Sian Jones, Policy coordinator of EAPN, met with the new Employment Commissioner Laszlo Andor on Monday 1 March as part of a delegation of the Social Platform. The meeting provided a good opportunity to discuss the Europe 2020 Strategy at a time when key decisions were being made on the latter.

EAPN Opening Conference for the 2010 European Year

On 19 February, EAPN organized an international conference in Dublin to progress its **vision for the legacy of the 2010 European Year for Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion**, in the context of the **EU's priorities for the next decade**, the "Europe 2020 strategy".

The conference presented concrete proposals for building a social Europe and making a real difference to the 79 million Europeans who live everyday at risk of poverty. The conference also provided an opportunity for a range of stakeholders, including people experiencing poverty, to input on how the legacy of the Year should be realised. Key speakers included M. Mary Hanafin TD, Irish Minister for Social Affairs, Jérôme Vignon, former Director at DG Employment, Michel Dolle, Director of the Research Centre on Income, Costs and Social Cohesion in France. A conference report will be available shortly and announced in a next FLASH newsletter.

EAPN speaks in Spanish NGO Conference supported by Spanish Presidency on access to employment for socially disadvantaged groups

The conference took place on the 22 and 23 February in Madrid, organized by 5 Social NGOs who have been instrumental in coordinating Structural Funds programmes on action

against discrimination against specific target groups (Caritas Spain, the Spanish Red Cross, the Luis Vives Foundation, the ONCE Foundation and the Secretariado Gitano). The Minister for Employment Celestino Corbacho opened the conference, highlighting the key role of social NGOs in delivering effective targeted support for disadvantaged groups and working with employers to ensure sustainable employment. The conference explored best practices on access to employment and policy proposals on employment and inclusion, as well as concerns about the new Europe 2020 strategy and its impact on inclusion and on Structural Fund programmes. EAPN intervened in the Round Table on Europa 2020 highlighting EAPN's key messages and highlighting the need to ensure an integrated Active Inclusion approach to supporting people excluded from the labour market, backed by Structural Funds. See programme [here](#). For more information contact:: Sian Jones, Policy Coordinator at sian.jones@eapn.eu.

EAPN and CECODHAS Joint Conference on Energy Poverty - 24 March 2010

The European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN) and CECODHAS Housing Europe will be holding a Conference entitled "Getting to grips with energy poverty. From EU to Cities to Homes" on Wednesday 24 March from 09.00 – 13.00 in Brussels, within the European Sustainable Energy Week and also as part of the 2010 European Year. This Conference will help both Member States and national stakeholders to cooperate together in order to build up national integrated approaches to effectively fight energy poverty. What are the figures and realities about fuel poverty? How can local stakeholders break this vicious circle? What are the replicable solutions developed at the local level? What are the European levers to promote them?

If you are interested by our Conference, please register via the EU Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) website: <http://www.eusew.eu/login.cfm>. You will need to create your own account on this website in order to register to the event.

New publication "Ways out of Poverty"

Michaela Moser, Vice-President of the European Anti-Poverty Network and Martin Schenk, Policy Specialist at Diakonia Austria, co-authored a book called *Es Reicht! Für Alle!* ("Ways Out of Poverty"), available in German. This publication focuses on the political and societal needs to empower people to get out of poverty. Read [more](#).

Opening of the 2010 Year in France!

László Andor, the new EU Commissioner responsible for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion attended the opening conference of the 2010 European Year in Paris. It was the first public engagement of the EU Commissioner. 60 projects that will receive funding from the National Implementing Body in France were presented. In his intervention, Fintan Farrell, Director of EAPN, called for support for an EU target in the fight against poverty and social exclusion. He also raised the issue of the negative impact of growing levels of inequalities for all. The intervention of Nicole Tonneau, representative at the 8th European Meeting of People experiencing poverty, challenged the representative of the Business Community about their speaking of fighting poverty while accepting the payment of enormous bonuses for the heads of industry.

Read [Commission's press release](#).

7th Forum of the World Alliance of Cities against Poverty

This forum was hosted by the City of Rotterdam in conjunction with the United National Development Program (UNDP) on 24-26 February 2010. The conference aimed at strengthening policies dealing with poverty in urban areas. Fintan Farrell, Director of EAPN, took part in a panel discussion at the conference, which involved the former Prime Ministers, Mr W. Kok and Mr Lubbers. Members of EAPN Netherlands were also present and engaged in the conference. Read [more](#).

NEWS FROM THE EAPN NATIONAL NETWORKS

All EAPN National Networks' and European organizations' contact details and websites are available on EAPN's website [here](#).

EAPN Belgium: Event on Housing

In the frame of the European Year of fight against poverty and exclusion, the Belgian Anti-Poverty Network (BAPN) organises on **26 March in Liège** its third public event on the important question of housing. People living in poverty or having lived in poverty will testify and will propose recommendations to the federal Government and Europe. Two debates will follow where representatives in charge of public and private housing, as well as politicians from Europe, federal and regional government will be present.

Nicolas Bernard, Professor of Law at the Saint-Louis University, will reflect on the matter and give us his ideas on the whole day.

To reinforce the modes of expression and questioning, cultural events will take part in the evening: there will be an exhibition on postal art around the theme of housing, and the film 'all that shines' ("tout ce qui brille") will be shown, followed by a debate.

For any further information, please consult the site of BAPN (www.bapn.be)

EAPN Austria starts 2010 activities with conference on distribution and a good life for all

More than 400 participants – from social NGOs, self-organisations of people experiencing poverty, public authorities, and from the research community – attended the 8th Austrian Poverty Conference on 23rd/24th February in Salzburg. The conference focused on issues of distribution, capabilities and quality of life and included Richard Wilkinson (author of 'The spirit level') as keynote speaker. It had been planned as the opening and first highlight of EAPN Austria's 2010 activities and attracted plenty of media attention. Distribution issues are widely discussed these days and throughout the year EAPN Austria hopes to spread further information about the negative consequences of social inequality and exclusion.

A forum theatre play that will travel across Austria as well as small public interventions ('Smartmobs') which hopefully will happen at various places across the country and throughout the year will be used to start discussion with different stakeholders as well as the general public.

'Spoons' has been chosen to be used as a logo and symbol to be involved in all activities and remind everyone that there will be enough for everyone if wealth and resources will be distributed differently.

EAPN Poland speaks at the Opening of the 2010 Year

Poland inaugurated the 2010 European Year on Friday 26 February 2010. The opening conference took place in Warsaw, in the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. About 120 people representing different partners (local administration, NGOs, academics) attended the conference. Kamila Płowiec presented the plans of EAPN Europe and EAPN Poland for 2010. The National Ambassadors for the Year introduced themselves, 4 of whom represent member organizations of EAPN Poland. Read [more](#).

NEWS FROM THE EU INSTITUTIONS

'Europe 2020': Green growth and jobs?

The EU's new strategy for sustainable growth and job comes in the midst of the worst economic crisis for decades. It puts innovation and green growth at the heart of its blueprint for competitiveness, but will have to include tighter monitoring if it is to succeed where the Lisbon Agenda failed. Read [more](#).

No exit strategies without effective social policies – new report

Welfare systems and specific short-term policies have been vitally important in mitigating the social and economic impact of the crisis, says a new EU report presented today. The 2010 'Joint Report on Social Protection and Social Inclusion', to be discussed by Employment and Social Affairs Ministers on 8-9 March, focuses on drawing lessons from Europe's response to the crisis. It presents key messages on how to orientate policies in the short to medium term to ensure a lasting recovery while also helping to address long-term structural challenges. The report will contribute to the Spring European Council on 25-26 March. Read [more](#).

No exit strategies without effective social policies – new report

The Joint Report reviews the main trends in social protection and social inclusion across the EU and at national level. It is the outcome of a process involving the European Commission and the Council. A central role in preparing the discussion in the Council on the annual Joint Report is played by the Social Protection Committee. The Treaty-based Committee promotes cooperation between Member States and with the Commission in the framework of the Open Method of Co-ordination on social inclusion, health care and long-term care as well as pensions. Read [more](#).

European Commission strengthens its commitment to equality between women and men

Ahead of International Women's Day, the European Commission strengthened and deepened its commitment to equality between women and men with a Women's Charter. This political declaration sets out five key areas for action and commits the Commission to building a gender perspective into all its policies for the next five years while taking specific measures to promote equality. Read [more](#).

European Commission seminar on the impact of the crisis on Member States' ability to respond to the challenges of demographic change

In its 2006 Communication "[The demographic future of Europe – From challenge to opportunity](#)" the European Commission identified five key policy responses to demographic change: promoting demographic renewal by creating better conditions for families promoting employment and longer working lives of better quality; making Europe more productive and dynamic; better reception and integration of migrants; and sustainable public finances to guarantee adequate social security and equity between the generations. The European Commission held a seminar on the impact of the crisis on Member States' ability to meet the challenges of demographic change on 22 February 2010. The aim was to assess whether the impact of the crisis and the state of public finances placed question marks over Member States' policy measures in the five key areas... Read [more](#).

Herman Van Rompuy spoke to MEPs about Greece

On 24 February, the President of the European Council, Herman Van Rompuy spoke to MEPs about the economic situation and notably the difficulties experienced by Greece. The European People's Party called for better budgetary coordination of the euro area - the social democrats asked for a more human exit to the crisis and the liberals condemned the monetary union for not having any real economic union. In his introductory speech Herman Van Rompuy reviewed his role within the European Union's institutions asking at the same time for this to be established. He guaranteed MEPs of his commitment and promised to act as a "bridge between the national authorities and the European institutions." Read [more](#).

EESC welcomes greater civil society involvement in EU 2020 Strategy

But roadmap out of the crisis needs to be more ambitious - The European Economic and Social Committee welcomes the European Commission's Communication *Europe 2020 – A European Strategy for smart, green and inclusive growth* and the plan to involve the EESC more closely in the new strategy. "However, says Mr Sepi, the Commission paper lacks ambitious proposals for the transition from the current crisis to the new economy". He also stressed that "because of persistent fundamental structural and social problems in the Member States there was a need to include the concept of secure employment in the flagship initiatives". **The EESC will be holding a major conference on 18 and 19 March entitled "An EU Road Map for a Sustainable Economic and Social Recovery"** where it is hoped that progress can be made on these issues. Following the [adoption of its Integrated Report on the post-2010 Strategy](#), the EESC stands ready to contribute to the EU 2020 Strategy with a wide-ranging EU 2020 Civil Society Action Plan. Read [more](#).

1st working meeting of the Public Services Intergroup (SGI-SSGI)

On 24 February 2010, the European Parliament Services Intergroup (SGI-SSGI) held its first working meeting. The agenda focused on the application of the Article 14 TFEU.

From the brief statement given by the representative of the European Commission (General Secretariat) who said that the new College had not yet discussed the matter, the following points are worth noting : President Barroso intends to assume the political leadership of this issue, the Commission is wondering whether stakeholders do really want to have regulations, which is the most constraining legislative form since it implies direct application throughout the EU without delay; Article 14 does not fix any a deadline to legislate and, as far as the Commission is concerned, this can only be on long term basis; and, as is always the case, the Commission is asking for examples where the existing EU rules have prevented a SGI from functioning properly. The next meeting will be held on 24 March in Brussels.

Investment in energy infrastructure: more data to help improve planning

On 25 February, MEPs adopted a series of amendments to the draft regulation on the notification of investment projects relative to energy infrastructures in the EU. The draft plans that Member States collect information relative to energy projects every two years - including the nature of these and how they are to be funded - information is then to be delivered to the European Commission so that the development of the Union's production capabilities can be better monitored. Read [more](#).

NEWS FROM NGOs AND OTHERS

AGE: Europe 2020: we need an Action Plan on Active ageing to address the challenge of demographic change

“We welcome the target to reduce the number of people who are at risk of poverty by 20 million and to reach an employment rate of 75% by 2020, but when the European Council and Member States prepare the detailed parameters of the strategy, we strongly recommend that they translate these objectives into concrete targets broken down by age group and gender. This is crucial to promote “growth for all” and to ensure that the most vulnerable - children, youth and older people are not left behind”, said Anne-Sophie Parent, Director of AGE Platform Europe. Read [more](#).

SOLIDAR’s 9 challenges for the Spanish Presidency of the EU

During the first six months of 2010, Spain has the opportunity to lead the European Union into common action towards making real progress on eradicating poverty and inequality, both in Europe and in the world. SOLIDAR has therefore identified 9 challenges for the Spanish Presidency and calls on the Presidency to listen to the voices of European citizens, who through organisations like SOLIDAR and its Spanish members work towards social justice in Europe and all over the world. Read [more](#).

Second European Day on Solidarity Between Generations. Save the date!

The [alliance of European NGOs](#) (initiated by AGE and in which EAPN participates) is campaigning for solidarity between generations. The second European Day on Solidarity Between Generations will be celebrated on 29 April 2010. The alliance is currently drawing up a common brochure on the need for greater intergenerational solidarity offering examples of what can be done in employment, housing, pensions, welfare, health, the environment, combating poverty and social exclusion, transport, family policy, citizens' initiatives, immigration, and gender equality... Read [more](#).

FEANTSA's Ending Homelessness Campaign

In the framework of the 2010 European Year for Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion, FEANTSA is running a campaign called 'Ending Homelessness'. Throughout Europe, our members are organising campaign activities. The central message of this campaign is that homelessness can and should be ended. Read [more](#).

EMI Seminar on Europe 2020 Strategy, 3 March 2010

The European Movement International (EMI) welcomes the launching of the “Europe 2020 Strategy” by the European Commission. Today the EMI held a seminar on the Europe 2020 Strategy in the premises of the Czech Permanent Representation to the EU, gathering leading experts, social partners, the Presidents of the European political parties, as well as a wide range of civil society representatives. Read [more](#).

Eurochild: You are where you're born - Supporting a sense of place can make children's services more effective

Rooting services in what is local can make them more relevant to families and support the community as a whole, promoting social and economic regeneration, according to the latest magazine from Children in Europe. *A Sense of Place: environments, community and services for young children*, published on 1 March, looks at the role of place-based, family and intergenerational learning in tackling problems of service delivery in scattered rural communities, and reduced access to natural environments in urban areas. Read [more](#).

PUBLICATIONS

"Handbook on Third Sector European Policy: Multi-level Processes and Organized Civil Society"

This publication is the culmination of seven years of research by the Third Sector European Policy(TSEP) network led initially from the Centre for Civil Society at the London School of Economics & Political Science, and then from the School of Social Policy, Sociology & Social Research at the University of Kent. This Handbook contains rich material framed with a very useful and interesting conceptual framework. The case studies give a strong sense of what emerges from connections between EU-initiated multi-level programs and national contexts, the interaction of broad categories of drivers for third sector policy, and shapers of the associated policy environment. This book will be a major resource for all those interested in

the third sector policy environment in Europe. **EAPN was one of this publication's major contributors.** Read [more](#).

Fundación Luis Vives new publication: *Keys Facts on Poverty and Social Exclusion in Spain*

Fundación Luis Vives, a member of EAPN-Spain, has just issued this guide, which is mainly directed to on-field actors in social inclusion. This guide will help them better understand the problems of poverty and social exclusion. It is divided into 4 sections: Clarifying concepts; Why do people fall into poverty? ; What are the consequences? ; What can we do?. The publication is available online:

http://www.fundacionluisvives.org/upload/75/78/guide_poverty_social_exclusion_spain2010.pdf. If you would like to receive a few copies on paper, please contact asuntoseuropeos@fundacionluisvives.org or +34 91 758 176.

FEANTSA: 3rd edition of *Employability and Homelessness* now available

This 3rd edition of FEANTSA's [Employability and Homelessness newsletter](#) is available online. It features more interesting employability initiatives for people experiencing homelessness and information resources related to this topic.

Latest ENARgy newsletter on the situation of the Roma in Europe

ENAR has issued the latest edition of its newsletter ENARgy, which focuses on the theme '*The situation of the Roma in Europe: challenges and ways forward*'. It offers a by no means exhaustive sampling of a range of issues and perspectives on the situation of the Roma community in Europe, including Roma civil society's assessment of EU actions in relation to the Roma and the Spanish Presidency's priorities in this area. [Read more](#)

Eurostat on unemployment and inflation

According to Eurostat statistics published on March 1st the seasonally corrected unemployment rate lay at 9.9% in January in the euro area unchanged in comparison with December 2009. It lay at 8.5% in January 2009. In the EU the unemployment rate rose to 9.5% in January 2010 unchanged in comparison with December 2009. Read [more](#). On inflation, the figures published by Eurostat on 26th February show that the annual inflation rate in the euro area lay at 1% in January 2010 against 0.9% in December 2009. A year prior to this it lay at 1.1%. The monthly inflation rate was -0.8% in January 2010. Read [more](#).

Latest OECD Social, Employment and Migration Working Papers

This series is designed to make available to a wider readership selected labour market, social policy and migration studies prepared for use within the OECD. Authorship is usually collective, but principal writers are named. The papers are generally available only in their original language - English or French - with a summary in the other. You can find the full list of working papers [here](#).

Restructured MISSOC Table XI on Guaranteeing Minimum Income Resources in the 2010

European Year

2010 will also see a **restructured MISSOC table XI on Guaranteeing Minimum Resources**. Table XI is one of the youngest MISSOC Tables, together with Table XII on Long-term care. After the restructuring of the latter Table in 2009, it was the only Table that had not yet undergone a reform and modernisation exercise, notably thanks to **EAPN's response** to it. The review of the Table XI structure is based on a proposal of the MISSOC Secretariat, in close cooperation with the Commission and the MISSOC National Correspondents. The restructured Table XI, with information on minimum cash benefits for 31 countries in 3 languages updated to 1 January 2010, will be available on the MISSOC web pages as of July 2010.

European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research: Fiscal and Pension Sustainability: Present and Future Issues in EU Countries

The challenges of fiscal sustainability that EU Member States face are well documented, and the focus is justifiably on addressing them. But, the impact of policy reforms now on the future for pension systems and incomes of future retirees is less clearly articulated: this Policy Brief has explored this issue of pension sustainability in EU countries. Equally, the need for sustained policy remedies to the current economic crises is widely recognised. Read [more](#).

Schuman Report on Europe

The fourth edition of the "*State of the Union, Schuman Report on Europe 2010*" is being published by Editions Lignes de Repères. This reference work on Europe will be presented to the press on 2nd March together with the French Secretary of State for Ecology, Chantal Jouanno and Secretary of State for European Affairs, Pierre Lellouche, who like 24 other authors wrote an article for this edition. Read [more](#) (in French).

New issue of 'The Equal Rights Review'

The Equal Rights Trust has published Volume Four of *The Equal Rights Review*, an interdisciplinary biannual journal intended as a forum for the exchange of legal, philosophical, sociological and other ideas and practical insights for those who are promoting equality. This volume also contains a special section on the issue of sexual orientation. Read [more](#).

Report: How are cities dealing with diversity?

The final report of the Diversity and Equality in European Cities project (DIVE) has recently been published. The 'Diversity and Equality in European Cities' project benchmarked how municipalities use diversity and equality considerations when acting as policy-makers, employers, service providers and buyers of goods and services and was carried out in partnership with Eurocities and Ethical Partnership. Read [more](#).

ILGA-Europe 'Destination>>EQUALITY' magazine on hate & violence

The International Lesbian and Gay Association - Europe region (ILGA-Europe) has published its latest issue of its magazine, on the theme of hate and violence. ENAR also contributed to this issue. Read [more](#).

EPC commentary: *Europe 2020: better - but still not good enough*

This week the European Commission launched its Europe 2020 Strategy to prepare the EU economy for the next decade. This Commentary by Fabian Zuleeg assesses the Strategy's strengths and weaknesses. On the positive side it makes concrete proposals, gives seven flagship initiatives and includes education within its scope. On the negative side its rationale for the targets set is unclear, it is too dependent on Member State political will, does not integrate public finance and reform and has weak delivery mechanisms. The final assessment? The Strategy needs to be more ambitious if it is to deliver future sustainable growth. Read [more](#).

Interesting links

- Website of the Spanish Presidency: www.eu2010.es
- [EC ongoing consultations](#)
- [Engage](#), the Social Platform newsletter, aims to promote the activities of European social NGOs and their fight for a more just and equal Social Europe.

AGENDA Check more events around 2010 on www.endpoverty.eu

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March 2010

1 March: CECOP working meeting with stakeholders on social enterprises / enterprises of general interest "Social enterprises: what is their future in Europe?", Brussels. Get the programme in English and French writing to cecop@cecop.coop.

2 March: EAPN Wallonia (Belgium) and the *Collectif des Femmes* (Women's association), [Conference on Women's Poverty and North-South exchange](#), Louvain-la-Neuve.

2 March: COFACE: FAMILYPLATFORM Info Day, "[For the wellbeing of families in Europe, today and tomorrow](#)", Brussels.

10-11 March: European Commission [Conference on EU projects in favour of the Roma community](#), Brussels.

11-12 March: [World Diversity Leadership Summit Europe](#), Vienna, Austria.

18-19 March: MINORITYMEDIA and the research centre MIGRINTER [international conference on ethnic minority media](#), Poitiers, France.

18-19 March: EESC Conference "**An EU Roadmap for a Sustainable Economic and Social Recovery**". Contact: roadmapforrecovery@eesc.europa.eu.

24 March: **EAPN and CECODHAS Joint Conference on Energy Poverty, Brussels.** (see in section EAPN news of this Flash) For more information, please contact: Vincent.caron@eapn.eu.

26 March: [EAPN Belgium event on Housing](#), Brussels. For all information, please contact Stephan.backes@bapn.be.

26 March: COFACE seminar **“The role of social protection in the fight against poverty and social exclusion: which safety net for families?”**, Brussels. Contact: secretariat@coface-eu.org.

30 March: Capita’s 3rd national conference [Tackling the Social Exclusion of Older People, Central London](#). For any information, contact Richard.Goddard@capita.co.uk.

April 2010

21-22 April: EUROCITIES [seminar on tackling health inequalities in cities](#), Ghent, Belgium. To register to the seminar, please fill in the attached registration form and return it to anna.drozd@eurocities.eu and congres.health_eurocities@gent.be.

22-23 April: European Commission [Conference on Inequality Measurement and the Progress of Society](#), Valletta, Malta.

22-23 April: ERA (Academy of European Law), [Conference on Fundamental rights protection in EU law under the Lisbon Treaty](#), Trier, Germany.

29 April: AGE and Coface [EU Day on solidarity between generations](#).

May 2010

11-16 May: UNITED conference **“Europe All Inclusive? Minorities on the Edge of Society”**, Budapest, Hungary.

June 2010

4 June: FEANTSA and Committee of the Regions [Seminar on Homelessness in public and private spaces: Mind the policy gap!](#), Brussels.

16-19 June: Inclusion Europe, [15th World Congress of Inclusion International](#), Berlin.

September 2010

FEANTSA’s European Observatory on Homelessness, the European Network for Housing Research Working Group on Welfare Policy, Homelessness and Social Exclusion and the Metropolitan Research Institute Budapest, [5th Annual Research Conference on Homelessness](#), Budapest, Hungary.

October 2010

22-23 Oct: Mental Health Europe annual Conference 2010 **“Challenging Poverty - Creating Hope. Breaking the Cycle of Poverty and Mental Health Problems”**, Brussels. Contact: info@mhe-sme.org.

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Calls for proposals

- Find here [all calls](#) concerning the [7th Framework Programme \(FP7\)](#).
- [Youth in Action - Programme \(2007 - 2013\)](#) - Deadline: **from 01 February 2007 up to the end of 2013**. Deadlines vary according to Action. Please contact the European Commission or your National Agency).
- [Youth in Action 2010 Priorities](#) – several deadlines: see [here](#).
- [Study on measures to promote the situation of Roma EU citizens in the European Union](#), 15 March 2010.
- [Industrial Relations and Social Dialogue](#) – Deadlines: **16 March 2010** for actions commencing no earlier than 16 May 2010 and no later than 22 December 2010; **31 August 2010** for actions commencing no earlier than 31 October 2010 and no later than 22 December 2010.
- [Information, Consultation and Participation of representatives of undertakings](#) – **9 April 2010**.
- [Information and training measures for workers' organisations](#) – Deadline: **20 April 2010**.
- [Specific Programme "Fundamental Rights and Citizenship" - Action Grants](#), 29 April 2010.
- [Europe for Citizens Programme - Action 4: Active European Remembrance aiming at preserving the sites and archives associated with deportations as well as the commemorating of victims of Nazism and Stalinism](#) – deadline: **30 April 2010**.
- [Modernised coordination of social security schemes: Transnational actions for cooperation and information](#) – Deadline: **17 May 2010**.
- [Europe for Citizens Programme - Action 1, Measure 2.1: Citizens' projects](#) – Deadline: **01 June 2010**

[Lifelong Learning Programme - 2010 call](#)

Deadlines

- Comenius, Grundtvig: **In-service Training**: first deadline: 15 January 2010 - further deadlines: 30 April 2010, 15 September 2010
- Comenius **Assistantships**: 29 January 2010
- Leonardo da Vinci: **Mobility** (including the Leonardo Da Vinci mobility certificate); Erasmus: **Intensive Language Courses (EILC)**: 5 February 2010
- **Jean Monnet Programme**: 12 February 2010
- Comenius, Leonardo da Vinci, Grundtvig: **Partnerships**; Comenius: **Comenius Regio Partnerships**; Grundtvig: **Workshops**: 19 February 2010
- Comenius, Erasmus, Leonardo da Vinci, Grundtvig: **Multilateral projects, Networks and Accompanying Measures**: 26 February 2010
- Leonardo da Vinci: **Transfer of Innovation multilateral Projects**: 26 February 2010

- Erasmus: **Intensive Programmes (IP), Students mobility for studies and placements** (including the Erasmus consortium placement certificate) and **Staff mobility** (teaching assignments and staff training): 12 March 2010
- Grundtvig: **Assistantships, Senior Volunteering Projects**: 31 March 2010
- **Transversal Programme**: 31 March 2010
- Transversal Programme: **Key activity 1 - Study visits**: first deadline: 31 March 2010 - second deadline: 15 October 2010
- Europe for Citizens Programme: Active Citizens for Europe, Active civil society in Europe and Active European Remembrance

Deadlines

- Action 1 Measure 1.1 Town twinning citizens' meetings: 1 February, 1 April, 1 June, 1 September 2010
- Action 1 Measure 1.2 The thematic networking of twinned towns: 1 February, 1 September 2010
- Action 1 Measure 2.1 Citizens' projects: 1 June 2010
- Action 1 Measure 2.2 Support measures: 1 June 2010
- Action 2 Measure 3 Support for projects initiated by civil society organizations: 15 February 2010
- Action 4 Active European Remembrance: 30 April 2010

Call for tenders

- Study on measures to promote the situation of Roma EU citizens in the EU – Deadline: 18 March 2010.

SHARING INFORMATION

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- promoting policy transfer, learning and support among Member States on EU objectives and priorities; and
- relaying the views of the stakeholders and society at large.

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http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/progress/index_en.html

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