

# ENOC Annual Meeting 26-28 September 2006, Athens, Greece

Venue: Zappeion Conference Centre ([www.zappeion.gr](http://www.zappeion.gr))

## Programme

### **Monday, 25 September**

Arrival of Participants - Holiday Inn Hotel Athens

### **Tuesday, 26 September**

09.30 – 11.30 -Welcome address: George Kaminis, the Greek Ombudsman  
- Presentation in memory of Nigel Williams  
- ENOC update on activities undertaken during the year (George Moschos, ENOC Chairman – Pavel Jaros, former ENOC Chairman)  
- Introduction to the programme  
- Members' presentation on their most important interventions of the year: major achievements, challenges etc (2-3 minutes each)

11.30 – 12.00 Coffee Break

12.00 – 13.45 **Good Practice** presentation by members:  
Wales, Ireland – Northern Ireland, Austria, Georgia  
(5 X 15 minutes + 30 minutes questions - comments - discussion)

13.45 – 15.00 Lunch Break  
(and meeting of working group on unaccompanied children)

15.00 – 16.30 Discussion in 4 working groups on national operational issues, considering good practices of obudswork for and with children:  
*(1) Listening to children in order to understand and strengthen their voices*  
*(2) Interventions in child care institutions – with interpretation-*  
*(3) Reporting to parliaments on children's rights issues*  
*(4) Organising advocacy and campaigns in co-operation with other agencies*

16.30 – 17.00 Coffee Break

17.00 – 18.00 Feedback from the working groups: (Presentations by 4 working group moderators and discussion)

19.30 Reception in the Greek Ombudsman's Office

## **Wednesday 27 September**

09.30 – 11.30 Presentation of Statement on Unaccompanied Children and of ways to use it. Discussion and adoption

11.30 – 12.00 Coffee Break

12.00 – 13.30 *Conference Main Theme: “**Tackling Discrimination in Education**”*  
Presentations (15 minutes each)  
*Norway, Lithuania, Catalonia, Flandres, F.Y.R.O. Macedonia*

13.30 – 15.00 Lunch Break - Press Conference

15.00 – 16.30 *Conference Main Theme - 4 working groups*  
*(5) Supporting anti-discrimination policies and legislative changes, presentation – with interpretation*  
*(6) Human Rights Education in schools: Challenging and tackling discrimination*  
*(7) Integration of special groups: minorities and children with special needs*  
*(8) Tackling bullying in schools*

16.30 – 17.00 Coffee Break

17.00 – 17.30 Summaries from working groups – proposals for follow up work during the year

17.30 – 18.30 ENOC business:  
*ENOC Website – Presentation by Norwegian Ombudsman and Veronica Yates from CRIN*  
*The establishment of new offices in Strasburg – Organisational issues*

20.30 Dinner provided by the Greek Ombudsman (Taverna)

## **Thursday 28 September**

09.30 – 11.00 What can be the role of Children’s Ombudsman in the process of examination of national reports on the implementation of CRC  
Speaker: Brent Parffit, Member of UN Committee on the Rights of the Child  
Two examples presented by ENOC members (Sweden, Belgium/Flandres)  
Followed by discussion

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee Break

11.30 – 13.00 The role of the Council of Europe in defending children’s rights. How can the Ombudsman use the existing structures and proceedings?

- Thomas Hammarberg, Commissioner for Human Rights at the Council of Europe
- Peter Newell, Co-ordinator of the Global Initiative to End All Corporal Punishment of Children
- Elda Moreno, Co-ordinator of the programme "Building a Europe for and with Children" of the Council of Europe

13.00 The E.U. Strategy on the Rights of the Child  
Mr. Patrick Trousson, Co-ordinator for Children's Rights, European Commission Directorate General for Justice, Freedom and Security

13.30 – 15.00 Lunch Break

15.00 – 17.00 Further ENOC Business issues. Discussion on ENOC activities throughout the year. Proposals for the main theme of the next conference. Election of new Bureau

20.30 Dinner together with participants in the Conference co-organised by the Council of Europe, the Russian Federation Ombudsman and the Greek Ombudsman (Taverna)