"Strengthening social inclusion and integration policies for migrants in Greece"

The initiative "Science meets Parliaments" aims to build closer links between members of the academic society and policy makers and encourage an evidence based policy-making process.

In this respect, the aim of this conference is the strong involvement of the local academic community through the participation of professors, academics, and researchers from different Academic Institutions in Greece, possessing extensive experience in the field of social sciences and immigration.

Policy makers, strategic decision makers and people responsible for the implementation of actions for the social integration of immigrants also share their experiences and best practices in this field.

Conference Schedule 08.15 - 09.00 Registration and seating 09.00 - 09.45 Greetings to participants Mr. Nikolaos Voutsis. President of the Hellenic Parliament Ms. Anastasia Christodoulopoulou, 3rd Deputy Speaker of the Hellenic Parliament, Former Deputy Minister on Migration Policy Mr. Miltiadis Klapas, Secretary General of Ministry for Migration Policy Ms. Patrizia Busolini. European Commission - DG Joint Research Centre 09.45 - 10.00 Coffee Break 1. Policies of the EU on social inclusion of migrants. New sectors and priorities. / 1 hour and 15 minutes Chairperson: Ms. Anastasia Christodoulopoulou, 3rd Deputy Speaker of the Hellenic Parliament 10.00 - 10.45 Ms. Jean Lambert, European Parliament, MEP "Bringing refugees in from the margins: the importance of integration" Mr. Simon Mordue, European Commission, Deputy Director-General for Migration "Fostering integration of migrants in Greece: a challenge to be raised by Greek authorities and society, with the support of the EU" Ms. Kalliopi Lykovardi, Independent Authority The Greek Ombudsman, Deputy Ombudsman for Equal treatment "Overcoming Barriers to Social Integration of Migrants: Challenges for Adminstrations and Institutions for the protection of Human Rights" 10.45 - 11.15 Questions/Discussion Coffee Break 11.15 - 11.30 2. Greek legislation on social inclusion of migrants. Challenges and adjustments. / 1 hour and 45 minutes Chairperson: Mr. Nikitas Kaklamanis. 4rth Deputy Speaker of the Hellenic Parliament 11.30 - 12.45 Mr. Geogios Psychogios, Representative of Parliamentary Group SYRIZA Mr. Miltiadis Varvitsiotis, Representative of Parliamentary Group Nea Dimokratia Mr. Theodoros Papatheodorou, Representative of Parliamentary Group Democratic Coalition Ms. Diamanto Manolakou, Representative of Parliamentary Group Communist Party of Greece Mr. loannis Saridis, Representative of Parliamentary Group Union of Centrists Mr. Alexandros Koutsogiannis. The Scientific Service of the Hellenic Parliament "Clarification of concepts and crisis management policies" 12.45 - 13.15 Ouestions/Discussion 13.15 - 14.30 Lunch break/Networking

3. Greek society on social inclusion of migrants. Phenomena of discrimination and solidarity. / 2 hours Chairperson: Ms. Ioanneta Kavvadia, 1st Vice Chairman of the Special Standing Committee on EU Affairs

14.30 - 15.45 **Dr. Sona Kalantaryan**, European Commission / DG Joint Research Centre / Knowledge

Centre on Migration and Demography

"Migration: data, perceptions and social media"

Prof. Antonios Kontis, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

"Integration issues of migrants in Greece"

Prof. Vassilis Arapoglou, University of Crete

"The new geography of precariousness and coexistence: infrastructures for the installation of immigrants in Greek cities"

Dr. Dimitris Parsanoglou, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences "Solidarity as a tool for social inclusion? Lessons from the "refugee crisis"

Prof. Maria Gasouka, University of the Aegean

"Greek Society, migration and gender"

15.45 - 16.30 16.30 - 16.45 Questions/Discussion Coffee break

4. Application of policies and implementation of actions towards social inclusion of migrants. / 2 hours Chairperson: Mr Antonios Syrigos, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Public Administration, Public Order and Justice

16.45 - 18.15 Mr. loannis Mouzalas, Former Minister for Migration Policy

"Integration and economic crisis. Integration and war of civilizations. (The new type of racism)"

Mr. Christos Kapatais. Region of Attica

"Local government and policies of social inclusion and integration of migrants in Greece"

Mr. Lefteris Papagiannakis, Municipality of Athens

"The role of local authorities and the implementation of social inclusion policies"

Mr. Daniel Esdras, International Organization for Migration, IOM in Greece

"European Asylum and Unified Immigration Policy, Utopia or Future Reality?"

Mr. Philippe Leclerc, UNHCR, The UN Refugee Agency in Greece

"From emergency to durable solutions: achievements, challenges and prospects for refugee integration in Greece"

Mr. Lucio Melandri, UNICEF

"From policies to action: working together in partnership to ensure protection and inclusion of children on the move"

18.15 - 18.45

Questions/Discussion Individual arrangements/Networking

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