



## European Cities against Racism – Local Strategies and European Networks

**April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013 | 9 am – 4:30 pm**

Berlin City Hall, Louise-Schroeder-Saal  
Rathausstr 15, 10178 Berlin

### Final Conference of the EU-Project

„ECAR – European Cities against Racism –  
Responsibilities of Cities in Counteracting  
Racism Sustainably“

From May 2011 to April 2013, the cities of Berlin, Botkyrka, Graz, Madrid and Växjö are implementing the European cooperation project **ECAR – European Cities against Racism – Responsibilities of Cities in Counteracting Racism Sustainably**. The project aims at a transnational exchange on concrete results and good practice examples in the fight against racism. In this conference the results of the European project will be presented. Challenges in the transnational fight against racism will be discussed. The aim is to support other cities in their commitment to fight against racism and to foster European dialogue. Conference languages will be: English, French and German.

#### 9:00 – 9:45 am | Opening Addresses

##### **Dilek Kolat,**

Senator for Labour, Integration and Women's Issues,  
City of Berlin

##### **Marcello Scarone Azzi,**

Senior Specialist for Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO

##### **Jean Paul Makengo,**

President of the European Coalition of Cities against  
Racism (ECCAR) and Deputy Mayor of Toulouse

Moderator: Nina Amin, Berlin

#### 9:45 – 10:15 am | The Idea behind the European Project “ECAR – European Cities against Racism“

**Sonja Dudek and Stanislaw Paulus,** Berlin State Office  
for Equal Treatment – against Discrimination, Project Lead

**Christian Prange,** BGZ Berlin International Cooperation  
Agency, Project Coordinator

#### 10:15 – 10:30 am | Coffee Break

#### 10:30 – 12:00 am | Participatory Approaches against Racism

##### **Research Circles as a tool for improving cities' fight against racism through neighbourhood participation (Botkyrka/Vaxjö)**

Ahmad Azizi, Municipality of Botkyrka, and René León  
Rosales, Multicultural Centre of Botkyrka

##### **Community Development Programme: Fighting against racism and xenophobia within public spaces (Madrid)**

Cristina Vivanco Calderon, Madrid City Council, and  
Hilde Daems, Spanish Commission for Refugees  
(CEAR–Madrid)

##### **Empowerment and Local Action Plan against Racism (Berlin)**

Sonja Dudek and Stanislaw Paulus, Berlin State Office for  
Equal Treatment – against Discrimination (LADS), Angelina  
Weinbender, Migration Board Berlin Brandenburg, and  
Halil Can, HAKRA Initiative, Berlin

##### **Discussion with the audience**

Moderator: Thomas Gakire, Graz

12:00 – 1:00 pm | Lunch

1:00 – 1:45 pm | Monitoring of Anti-Racist Activities

**The ECAR monitoring scheme: Lessons learnt and recommendations for European cities**

Markus Möstl and Klaus Starl, European Training and Research Centre for Human Rights and Democracy (ETC), Graz

**Discussion with the audience**

Moderator: Marcello Scarone Azzi, UNESCO Paris

1:45 – 2:45 pm | Public Campaigning against Racism and its Transferability

**Campaigning against racism: words and images**

Anja van den Durpel, Integration Office Gent

**Racism can hurt without fists**

Thomas Rajakovics, Municipality of Graz  
Thomas Gakire, Graz

**Have you ever thought about racism?**

Stanislawa Paulus (Berlin): Berlin State Office for Equal Treatment – against Discrimination

**Discussion with the audience**

Moderator: Suzana Mocevic, Municipality of Växjö

2:45 – 3:15 pm | Coffee Break

3:15 – 4:30 pm | Responsibilities of Cities in Counteracting Racism Sustainably

**Introduction: Central conclusions and recommendations of the ECAR Project**

Hilde Daems, Spanish Commission for Refugees (CEAR – Madrid)


**Final panel participants:**

- **Barbara Loth**, Berlin State Secretary for Labour, Integration and Women's Issues
- **Jean-Paul Makengo**, President of ECCAR and Deputy Mayor of Toulouse
- **Jens Sjöström**, Deputy Mayor of Botkyrka
- **Detlev Eisel-Eiselsberg**, City Councilman for Education and Integration, City of Graz

Moderator: Nina Amin, Berlin

4:30 pm | End of the Conference



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