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Euro-Mediterranean co-operation: Moving beyond intercultural dialogue

08.12.2009

Date: 9-11 December

Location: Bari (Italy), *sala Tarricone, Consiglio Regionale della Puglia*

Highlight: [Forum of Intercultural Cities](#) and launch of the campaign [Speak Out Against Discrimination](#)

Description: The [Forum of Intercultural Cities](#) and the launch of the international campaign "[Speak Out Against Discrimination](#)" are the main focus of the joint initiative between the Council of Europe and the Italian Region Apulia. The event is organised in the framework of the 60th anniversary celebrations.

Council of Europe speakers: Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, Deputy Secretary General; Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Director General of Education, Culture and Heritage, Youth and Sport; Luigi Vitali, Chairperson of the Italian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly; Pina Marmo, member of the Congress of Local and Regional authorities.

Puglia's speakers: Nichi Vendola, President of the Region; Pietro Pepe, President of the Regional Council; Silvia Godelli, Regional Counsellor Mediterranean policies; Elena Gentile, Regional Counsellor Social Cohesion; Michele Emiliano, Mayor of Bari; Franco Cassano, sociologist, University of Bari.

Forum news: Intercultural cities' pilot success-stories will be presented: Reggio Emilia, Patras, Berlin-Neukolln and Turin. In the round-table "Migration, Participation, Media and Citizenship: Intercultural Dialogue and Media", a case-study on Belgium will be analysed.

Campaign workshop: In line with the recommendations and policy guidelines outlined in the "[White Paper on Intercultural Dialogue](#)", a media-workshop on the "Against Discrimination" campaign is organised on 9 and 10 December.

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