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DIALOGUE SEMINAR

**Organised by DG Justice and Consumers, European Commission
jointly with the Conference of European Churches (CEC),
the Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe (CCME) &
The Commission of the Episcopates of the European Community (COMECE)**

Migration: Mapping and addressing fear"

24 Octobre 2016 – Room S9 Berlaymont, Brussels – rue de la Loi 200

PROGRAMME

8.40 – 09.00 **Arrival and coffee**

9.00 – 09.30 **Opening and welcome:**

Ms. Tiina Astola, Director General, DG Justice and Consumers
(European Commission)

Fr. Heikki Huttunen, General Secretary of the Conference of
European Churches (CEC)

Br Olivier Poquillon Op, General Secretary of the Commission of
the Episcopates of the European Community (COMECE)

09.30 – 11.00 **Session 1 – Mapping the sources of fear in society**

Mr. Máté-Tóth, András, Professor for Study on Religions, University
of Szeged (COMECE), *"Panic and mercy – faithful faith in a turbulent
time"*

Ms. Kristina Hellqvist, researcher, Archbishop's and General
Secretary's Secretariat, Church of Sweden (CEC), *"Skating on thin ice
– causes of fear and its consequences"*

Moderator: **Ms. Katharina von Schnurbein**, Commission
Coordinator for Dialogue Art 17 TFEU (European Commission)

Discussion

11.00 – 11.15

Coffee Break

11.30 – 13.00

Session 2 – Role of religious actors in addressing fear

Dr. James Martin (Jim) McDonnell, Director of Development, SIGNIS (COMECE) - *"Fear, media, media education/ training"*

Ms. Milena Parland, NGO Ad Astra and Orthodox Church of Finland (CEC), *"Inclusiveness through traditions and tales - Happy Chanuka and Eid Mubarak!"*

Mr. Antoine Savary, Deputy Head of Unit, Unit for Legal Migration and Integration, DG HOME (European Commission) - *"Integration policies"*

Ms. Bénédicte Robert, Policy Officer, Unit for Europe 2020, Investment Plan, Education and Training 2020, DG Education and Culture (European Commission) - *"Education and media literacy"*

Moderator: **Mr. Michael Kuhn**, Deputy Secretary General (COMECE)

Discussion

13.00 – 14.30

Buffet lunch

14.30 – 16.00

Session 3 – Challenges for children in migration – fear & facts

Moderator: **Apostle Adejare Oyewole**, Council of African & Afro-Caribbean Churches UK (CEC)

Fr. Jean-Marie Carriere sj, Director of the Jesuit Refugee Service Europe, *"Fear and young refugees"* (COMECE)

Ms Geesje Werkman, Kerk in Aktie / Protestant Church in the Netherlands – *"Children, more than luggage that refugees bring! Is Europe a minefield for them, or do they have chances to live their dreams?"*

Ms Margaret Tuite, Commission Coordinator for the Rights of the Child – Fundamental rights policy unit, DG Justice and Consumers (European Commission) – *"Challenges for children in migration"*

Discussion

16.00 – 16.30

Conclusions

Mr. Tibor Hajdu, Adviser, Evangelical-Lutheran Church in Hungary (CEC)

Mr. José Luis Bazan, Legal Adviser on Migration and Asylum (COMECE)

Ms. Katharina von Schnurbein (European Commission)

