

HIGH LEVEL MEETING

ON VICTIMS OF TERRORISM

13-14 September 2007 HOFBURG, VIENNA

To non-governmental organisations

Please find attached the agenda, the annotated agenda and general guidelines relating to the upcoming OSCE High Level Meeting on Victims of Terrorism to be held at the Hofburg Congress Centre in Vienna on 13-14 September 2007. The documents are also available on the ODIHR website at http://www.osce.org/conferences/hlm_2007.html.

The meeting will focus on the following areas:

- The victim;
- Victims' assistance programs;
- The victim in legal proceedings; and
- The role of civil society.

Conference participants are expected to comprise of government officials, OSCE delegations, NGOs and civil society, regional and international organizations, and is therefore seen as an important forum for discussing cross-dimensional issues.

NGOs whose activities directly relate to the topic of the Meeting and wish to attend are requested to register on-line for this event by Wednesday, 5 September 2007. We encourage NGOs to register on-line at http://www.osce.org/conferences/hlm_2007.html. if at all possible. Alternatively, you may return a completed NGO registration form by fax at + 48 22 250 06 03.

NGOs are invited to forward this information to other relevant actors in the given field.

Please note that participants can pick up their passes for the meeting venue in advance on Thursday, 13 September from 10.00 at the Hofburg Congress Centre in the main entrance hall.

NGOs may display information materials about their organisation on the tables in the lobby of the main meeting room. NGOs may also distribute documents during the Meeting by giving one copy of each document (maximum 3 pages in length) to staff of the Document Distribution Centre, preferably by e-mail to elke.lidarik@osce.org. NGOs are encouraged to participate actively in the Working Sessions while limiting their interventions to the specific issues at hand thereby contributing to a genuine discussion.

The ODIHR will be in the position to provide only limited financial support for NGOs to participate in this Meeting. Interested NGOs are requested to apply for financial support using the appropriate form available on the website of the conference. For your convenience please find attached a list of hotels in Vienna. NGOs are kindly requested to make their own hotel arrangements.

For further information please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Andrew Powell, Adviser on Anti-Terrorism issues (andrew.powell@odihr.pl Tel: +48-22-5200600 ext. 4192) or Mr. Fabio Piana, Researcher (fabio.piana@odihr.pl Tel: +48-22-5200600 ext. 4246).



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(You are encouraged to register via internet: http://www.osce.org/conferences/hlm_2007.html)

Deadline for registration: Monday, 3 September 2007		
1. Organization:		
2. Surname:		3. First Name (s):
4. Position / Title:		
5. Date of birth:		6. Citizenship:
7. Passport No.:		Issued by:
8. Sex:	Female	Male
9. NGO's address:		
Phone: Fax:		Fax:
Email:		
Date:		Signature:

NOTE: You are kindly requested to send this registration form duly completed to

OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Aleje Ujazdowskie 19, 00-557 Warsaw, POLAND

Fax: (48-22) 520 06 03 Phone: (48-22) 520 06 00

E-mail: <u>beata.kaczmarek@odih</u>r.pl by Monday, 3 September 2007