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Afrophobia in the EU

A Greens/EFA hearing

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PRESENTATION

MEPs Jean-Jacob Bicep, Jean Lambert and Philippe Lamberts (Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance) are organising a European Hearing on Afrophobia, in collaboration with the European Network Against Racism (ENAR) and the European Coalition of Cities against Racism (ECCAR), to talke place on 20th February 2014 at the European Parliament in Brussels. This event, which will gather MEPs, EU officials, civil society organisations, artists, and academics, aims at providing evidence on the existence of a specific form of racism,known as Afrophobia, that specifically targets Black people in Europe.

The main objective of this event is to raise awareness and concern about how People of African Descent (PAD) and Black Europeans (BE) are specifically affected by racial discrimination and stereotypes and to emphasize the urgency with which this specific form of racism must be recognized and tackled politically in order to really make a change in the lives of the 7 to 12 million PAD/BE residing in the EU.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

15:00-15:30

Welcome and greeting

Mr. Jean Jacob Bicep, Member of the European Parliament

Mr. Jallow Momodou, ENAR Vice-Chair

15:30-16:25

First panel - Patterns of racism specifically affecting People of African Descent/Black Europeans

- Dr. Philomena Essed, Professor, The Netherlands and USA
- Dr. Louis-George Tin, Chair of the CRAN, France
- Dr. Virginie Sassoon, Researcher, France

Exchange with the audience

16:25-17:20

Second panel - Challenges and coping strategies on the ground: the role of NGOs, arts and media

moderated by Pascal Hildebert, ENAR Foundation Director, Belgium

- Ms. Rokhaya Diallo, activist, journalist and ENAR board member, Les Indivisibles, France
- Mr. Jallow Momodou, activist, Pan-African Movement for Justice, Sweden
- Mr. Quinsy Gario, activist and artist, The Netherlands
- Dr. Chokri Ben Chika, activist and artist, Truth Commission Action Zoo Humain, Belgium

Exchange with the audience

17:20-18:15

Third panel - How to act politically at local, national and EU levels

- Mr. Henri Nickels, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights, Austria
- Mr. Jean-Paul Makengo, Deputy Mayor of Toulouse and chair of ECCAR, France
- Mr. Peter Bossman, Mayor of Piran, Slovenia

Exchange with the audience

18:15-18:30

Closing speech

Mrs. Jean Lambert, Member of the European Parliament

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