



## **DEVELOPING VICTIM SUPPORT ACROSS EUROPE Quality, Standards, Capacity Building**

**VSE Annual Conference & General Meeting  
14-17 May 2014  
Sheraton Hotel, Warsaw, Poland**

### **DRAFT PROGRAMME & REGISTRATION**

#### **WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY**

- 14h00 – 16h00 **Victim Support Site Visits** (*Please see the specific programme on website*)
- 19h00 **Welcome Reception hosted by Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz, Mayor of Warsaw** (*tbc*)

#### **THURSDAY, 15 MAY**

- 08h00 – 09h00 **Registration** (*Sheraton Hotel, room tbc*)
- 09h00 **Welcome and Opening Ceremony** (*Room tbc*)

*Chair João Lázaro, Vice-President of Victim Support Europe*

*Tomasz Piechowiak*  
**President of Subvenia Victima**

*Marek Biernacki*  
**Justice Minister of Poland**

*Charalampos Athanasiou*  
**Justice Minister of Greece**

*Lotte Knudsen*  
**Director for Justice, DG Justice, European Commission**

*David McKenna*  
**President of Victim Support Europe**

10h30 Refreshments

11h00 **Plenary Session – European Perspective on Rights for Victims of Crime**  
(Room tbc)

*Chair Sabrina Bellucci*, Executive Board Member of Victim Support Europe

*Representative*  
**Greek EU Presidency (tbc)**

*Olimpia Monaco*  
**Upcoming Italian EU Presidency**

*Oldřich Martinů*  
**Deputy Director of Europol**

*Hans G. Nilsson*  
**Head of Division of Fundamental Rights & Criminal Justice of the Council  
of the European Union**

*Pietro Suchan*  
**Eurojust, Assistant to the National Member for Italy**

12h00 Lunch

13h00 **Workshop Session 1 – Quality and Standards in Victim Support** (Room tbc)

14h30 Refreshments

15h00 **Workshop Session 2 – Best Practices in Implementation of EU Victims' Directive**  
(Room tbc)

16h30 **Plenary Session – Children, Violence and Schools** (Room tbc)

*Chair João Lázaro*, Vice-President of Victim Support Europe

*Gisela Mayer*  
**Director of Foundation against Violence in Schools**

*Maatu Arkio-Lampinen*  
**Victim Support Finland, NUORIKU Project**

*Albin Dearing*  
**Fundamental Rights Agency**

17h15 Close of day one

19h00 **Reception hosted by the Ministry of Justice** (*Place tbc*)

**FRIDAY, 16 MAY**

09h00 **Plenary Session – The Rights of Victims: Legal, Social and Political Leaders’ Perspectives** (*Room tbc*)

*Chair Victor Jammers, Executive Board Member of Victim Support Europe*

*Pierre Boussand*  
**Director of the Social Platform**

*Joshua Rozenberg*  
**Commentator in Legal Matters and Journalist** (*tbc*)

*Kathleen Walker Shaw*  
**Member of the European Economic and Social Committee**

*Antonio Tizzano*  
**President of the First Chamber of the European Court of Justice** (*tbc*)

*Jago Russell*  
**Chief Executive of Fair Trials International**

*Representative*  
**Chief of Police, Poland** (*tbc*)

*Representative*  
**European Forum for Restorative Justice** (*tbc*)

10h15 Refreshments

10h30 **Workshop Session 3 – Capacity Building: Developing Resources** (*Room tbc*)

12h00 Lunch

13h00 **Workshop Session 4 – Capacity Building: Developing New Services** (*Room tbc*)

14h30 Refreshments

15h00 **Plenary Session – Drawing Conclusions** (*Room tbc*)

*Chair Helgard Van Hüllen, Vice-President of Victim Support Europe*

**Short reports on workshops**

*Jerzy Buzek*

**MEP, former President of the European Parliament and former Prime Minister of Poland (tbc)**

*Kinga Göncz*

**MEP, LIBE Committee (tbc)**

**Into the Future, David McKenna**

**President of Victim Support Europe**

16h45

**Closing Remarks**

*Tomasz Piechowiak, President of Subvenia Victima*

19h00

**Conference Dinner (Place tbc)**

**SATURDAY, 17 MAY**

09h30-11h00

**Victim Support Europe General Meeting (Sheraton Hotel, room tbc)**

