



**Nomination of community representatives to the Consultative Council for Communities:
Roma/Ashkali/Egyptian community-specific workshops, Prishtinë/Priština**

6 December 2009



On 6 December, the Secretariat of the Consultative Council for Communities (CCC) and the European Centre for Minority Issues Kosovo (ECMI Kosovo) organised a meeting in Prishtinë/Priština with representatives of the Roma, Ashkali and Egyptian communities, with the aim of providing technical support for the nomination of community membership to the CCC.

Present at the meeting were 10 representatives from Roma civil society, 5 representatives from Ashkali civil society, 16 representatives from Egyptian civil society; and ECMI Kosovo representatives, Mr Gazmen Salijević and Ms Katherine Nobbs.

Ms Nobbs gave a brief presentation on the technical requirements for accreditation of a Community Representative Organisation (CRO), and submission of the final list of nominees, and reminded all representatives present that both had to be chosen during the workshop.

Community representatives then held separate closed sessions, after which Mr Salijević and Ms Nobbs met with each community to discuss results. These were as follows.

Ashkali community

Representatives from the Ashkali community selected two candidates for nomination, **Mr Muhamet Arifi** and **Mr Selman Bajrami**, but failed to come to an agreement on the organisation to be accredited. It was decided that this would be submitted in the coming weeks, but the issue is still pending.

Egyptian community

Representatives from the Egyptian community selected two candidates for nomination, **Mr Bashkim Kurti** and **Mr Berisha Veton**, and agreed that the organization **Health for All** would be put forward for accreditation.

Roma community

Representatives from the Roma community had originally agreed that the organization **International Centre for Integration** would be accredited. However, a dispute arose regarding nominees. It was reported that all participants had been given the opportunity to put forward candidates. Five candidates were proposed, two withdrew due to constraints of time, and the remaining three were put to a vote with participants accorded two votes each. Mr Daut Quljandji and Mr Selatin Emini received seven votes apiece, while CCC member Mr Kujtim Paçaku received two. It was thus decided that **Mr Quljandji** and **Mr Emini** would be put forward as the candidates.

However, after the session Mr Paçaku approached ECMI representatives to express dissatisfaction at the process, and to enquire as to a possible course of action. He was advised to submit a separate application for accreditation, along with a second list of nominees. It was noted that, as the first group of nominees had been selected by a majority vote of representatives present, his application would be strengthened if he could mobilise additional support from within the Roma community. **Mr Paçaku** confirmed that he would put forward the organisation **Romani Bacht** for accreditation, and himself as the sole nominee.

Both groups were advised to submit a full report, along with their application for accreditation and list of nominees, detailing the process by which they had arrived at their candidates and the reasons for the selection. The final decision will be for the President.

ANNEX: List of Invitees/Participants

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Ashkali community

Invitees	Organisation	Present
Xhafer Ademi	OJQ – Qendrimi	Yes
Muhamet Arifi	Balkan Sunflowers (BSF)	Yes
Ferdane Asllani	BSF	Yes
Muharrem Asllani	Health for All	
Osman Emini	Gezimi Yne Rinor	Yes
Feride Hajra	EDONA	
Gëzim Hoti	Health for All	
Kadrije Krasniqi	Sunshine	
Shani Kopili	QHZHIA	
Muhamet Qyqaka	BDA	
Bekim Syla	RADC	
Hajrush Xjafari	QKA Dabravi	Yes

Egyptian community

Invitees	Organisation	Present
Muharrem Asllani	Health for All	Yes
Petrit Berisha	Hiroglife	Yes
Veton Berisha	Piramida	Yes
Burim Çelaj	Vision 02	Yes
Gami Emini	Ardhmeria	Yes
Nayije Fetahu	SHEK Egjiptjanis	Yes
Mimoza Gecad-Bersha	Piramida	Yes
Albina Kërshi	SHEK Egjiptjanis	Yes
Bashkim Kurti	LCO	Yes
Luan Kurti	Fahri Vraniqi	Yes
Petrit Llugajija	SHEK Egjiptjanis	Yes
Mustafa Mihane	HFA	Yes
Rexhë Mulaj	Vision 02	
Mahorrem Prizreni	Fahri Vrani	Yes
Ergit Qeli	Prosperities	
Lendrit Qeli	Prosperities	Yes
Diana Shalea	RROGRAEK	
Rrahmon Stollaku	BSF-FKLC	Yes
Burim Vraniqi	Shpresa Rinore	Yes

Roma community

Invitees	Organisation	Present
Shpresa Agushi	Women Network Association – RROGAEK	
Seljatin Emini	Romano Anglunipe	Yes
Seljvije Emini	Romano Anglunipe	Yes
Kujtim Gashi	Foleja	
Mimoza Govrani	RROGRAEK	
Bashkim Ibishi	RAE Forum networking organization	Yes
Mehmet Jasari	Roma from Ferizaj	
Nexhip Menekshe	Durmish Asllano	Yes
Avdulla Mustafa	RADC	
Avni-Dai-Mustafa	Romano Resaipe	
Butić Orhan	Irgan	Yes
Afrim Osmani		Yes
Osman Osmani	Iniciativa 6	
Kujtim Paçaku	Rromani Baxt	Yes
Daut Quljandji		Yes
Sebastijan Serifi		Yes
Gjyzele Shaljani	Foleja	Yes