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## **FUEN Media Forum**

#### **Brief Description**

The Forum entitled "Politics and Media for Minorities: Information, Network, Communication" focuses on current minority issues: What do we know about the Minority SafePack Initiative? Why are minorities so rarely portrayed in the media? What influence do minority representatives have in politics? Which role do minorities play in Europe and the individual Regions? Which strategies are necessary for presenting minorities in an authentic and differentiated manner?

The Media Forum is an international discussion platform, which brings together media representatives with political representatives from Europe and Germany, as well as representatives of minority policy. Media representatives from all over Europe will be amongst the participants, first and foremost minority media, such as the networks MIDAS, n-ost, mind-netz. Furthermore, media representatives of larger media outlets are invited, e.g. the FAZ, die Welt, Deutsche Welle.

Networking and Communication can help us to promote the perception of- and thus the protection of minorities on a European level. Therefore, we would like to discuss, think and find solutions together.

The Forum is structured through three different modules.

The first module will focus on addressing 'politics'. Which role do minorities play on a European-, national- and regional level? To discuss these thematic areas, political representatives from Brussels, Germany as well as representatives from European regions were invited.

The second phase mainly focuses on the 'media'. What do media representatives think and how do we attract public attention to minority focal points? Are minorities a topic or how could they become one? What are the 'trendy brands' and how could we draw public attention to the role of minorities in a common Europe?

The third part will focus on 'networking'. How do we connect minority media better? What works well and where could we identity deficits? At this point, the minority media representatives will have the opportunity to present themselves and to gather 'best practice' examples. We would like the Media Forum to be an opportunity for professional presentations and a lively exchange of views. It should end with an exchange and dialogue between the participants and draw attention once again to FUEN's main focus of the year, the Minority SafePack Initiative.







# **Program**

### Thursday, February 1st 2018:

Until 14:00	<b>Arrival</b> Hotel Best Western, Albrechtstraße 25 / Ecke Reinhardtstraße, 10117 Berlin
From 14:00	<b>Forum Venue and Registration</b> Kalkscheune: Johannisstraße 2, 10117 Berlin
14:30 - 15:00	Opening and Welcoming
	Loránt Vincze, President; Federal Union of European Nationalities – FUEN
15:00 – 17:00	Panel1: Looking at Politics
	Moderator: Andreas Stopp (Deutschlandradio)
	Panellists:
	- Hartmut Koschyk, former Commissioner for Matters Related to Ethnic German Resettlers and National Minorities
	- Erhard Weimann, State Secretary and Representative of the Free State of Saxony
	- Dr. Renate Harcke, Director; Die Linke – group in Landtag Brandenburg - Anke Spoorendonk, former Minister in Schleswig-Holstein
	Panel Discussion
17:00 - 17:30	Coffee break and a small snack
17:30 - 19:30	Panel2: Looking at Media and Networks
	Moderator: Moritz Gathmann (freelance journalist)
	Panellists / Networks:
	- Edita Slezáková, President; Minorities Daily Association – MIDAS
	- Dr. Karin Haug, Member of the Broadcasting Council of the Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen
	- Philipp Fritz, editor; ostpol.de – online magazine n-ost
	- Karoline Gil, Deputy Head of department Integration and Media; Institut für Auslandsbeziehungen – ifa
	Panel Discussion



### Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018:

Until 08:00	<b>Breakfast at hotel</b> Hotel Best Western, Albrechtstraße 25 / Ecke Reinhardtstraße, 10117 Berlin
09:00	Meeting point: Kalkscheune: Johannisstraße 2, 10117 Berlin
09:00 - 10:30	Minorities in Majority: Image of Minorities
	Moderator: Olga Martens (FUEN Vice President)
	Experience reports and dialogue: brief presentations of the participating minority media/ organisations
	- Gwyn Nissen, Chief Editor - Der Nordschleswiger (Denmark)
	- Olesjo Klimenko, Chief Editor - Allgemeine Deutsche Zeitung (Kazakhstan)
	- Janek Schäfer, Chief Editor - Serbske Nowiny, Domowina Verlag Bautzen (Germany)
	- Iaco Rigo, Director - La Usc di Ladins (Italy / South Tyrol)
	- Dr. Rudolf Urban, Chief Editor - Wochenblatt (Poland)
	- Michael Mundt, Local Editor - Allgemeine Deutsche Zeitung (Romania)
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:30	Minority Media: What does it mean?
	Moderator: Andreas Stopp (Deutschlandradio)
	Minority media, radio, TV, newspaper and minority portals and their support by their respective mother state
	- Bogna Koreng, Studio Manager - MDR Saxony, Studio Bautzen (Germany)
	- Anita Pendzialek, Editor - German-Polish Editing "Mittendrin" (Poland)
	- Marijan Velik - ORF Austrian Broadcasting Corporation (Austria)
	- Márton Varga-Mihály, Kolozsvári Rádió (Romania)
	- Tamara Opacic, acting Chief Editor - Novosti Weekly in Zagreb (Croatia)
	- Katharina Lindt, Editor - Moskauer Deutsche Zeitung (Russia)
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch snack
	Departure

