PANEL DISCUSSION:

The role of Grassroots Initiatives in Promoting Social Integration

DATE AND TIME: MONDAY, 20 MARCH 2017
10:00 AM - 11:15 PM
Venue: Conference Room 8, Conference Building

Join the Permanent Mission of Hungary to the UN and the Huairou Commission for a discussion on the role of local initiatives in spearheading long-term positive change in the lives women and girls facing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination. Mr. László Bogdán, Roma community leader and mayor of a small rural village in Hungary with a population of 391. He will share his initiatives designed to empower young girls by providing alternative options to dropping out of school system at an early age, which is major issue in this community for girls already facing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination. Ms. Lana Finikin, as a representative from civil society working in community development in Jamaica, a practitioner working with Huairou Commission, will reflect on building communities, supporting local civil society initiatives. Dr. László György, Chief Economist at Századvég research institute, will give in-depth analysis on the socio-economic hardships these communities face and the possible opportunities of economic empowerment of women and girls.

The panel discussion is hosted and moderated by H.E. Ms. Katalin Bogyay, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the United Nations.

Speakers:

Mr. László Bogdán, Mayor of Cserdi, a small rural village of 391 in Hungary
Ms. Lana Finikin, Executive Director of Sistren Theatre Collective, Jamaica, and Huairou Commission Executive Committee member
Dr. László György, Chief Economist at Századvég, Hungary

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