

## **CHILDREN NOT FOR SALE- “The black hole of our Culture”**

### **PROGRAM**

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**08:15-09:00-** Accessing the European Parliament

Registration

**09:00-09:10-** Welcoming and opening by the two organizer MEPs

**Mrs KUNEVA Kostadinka** (GUE/NGL-SYRIZA MEP) and

**Mr HADJIGEORGIOU Takis** (GUE/NGL-AKEL MEP)

**1<sup>st</sup> PANEL- Children in extreme danger and exploitation**

**09:10-10:30**

- ***Children for sale:*** *Child trafficking and unaccompanied minors. Its connection with child prostitution, human organ trade and the illegal adoptions market -the European dimension.*

**Mrs SAKELLIADOU Zoi**, Office of the EU Anti-Trafficking Coordinator, European Commission

- ***Unaccompanied and separated children:*** *Situation of UASC arriving in Europe; protection risks and challenges after the ‘closure of the Western Balkans route’.*

**Mrs VONKEMAN Andrea**, UNHCR Brussels Office

- ***Opening doors for Europe’s children:*** *“Accommodation and integration of refugee and migrant children across Europe. Practices from Eurochild’s members”*

**Mrs NANOOU Katerina**, EUROCHILD campaign leader

- ***Protecting children in migration:*** *“Gaps in EU policy and practice”.*

**Mrs POULI Ioanna**, UNICEF, Brussels Office

**Debate**

**Q&A**

**2<sup>nd</sup> PANEL: A new model to full and actual protection of Children's Rights**

**10:30-11:50**

- ***Illegal adoptions, foster care without parental consent*** (Given the numerous related Petitions submitted to the EP Petitions Committee mainly by citizens of Northern Europe (Denmark, United Kingdom, Germany).

**Mrs McNEIL Sabine Kurjo**, Web Publisher of the Association of McKenzie Friends and Petitioner 1707/2013

**Mrs SCHEFFER Elisabeth**, Legal expert, Sweden

- ***The right to family life: Deinstitutionalization, foster care, temporary family-like hospitality facilities for each child who deprives family protection no matter the reason.***

**Mr NIKOLAIDIS Giorgos**, Head of Institute of Child Health, Greece

- ***Children and adolescents abuse victims: a «dark» epidemic***

**Dr STAVRINIDES Panayiotis**, Assistant Professor in Developmental Psychology-University of Cyprus

- ***Abandoned children: The social and political aspect of children's abandonment according to NGOs that work and care for abandoned children.***

**Mrs CHRISTIDOU Melpo**, Social Worker at THE SMILE OF THE CHILD, Greece

**Debate**

**Q&A**

**11:50-12:00**

**Concluding Remarks**

**Light Lunch**