



EUROPEAN RETURN FUND



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To: Directors General/General Directors of GDISC Immigration Services and Returns Contact Points

On behalf of the GDISC network and the Hungarian Office for Immigration and Nationality it is our pleasure to invite you to attend the GDISC Returns Conference, which will take place close to Budapest*, Hungary, from 28 to 30 October 2009. This conference represents the first time that the GDISC network is bringing people together working in the field of Returns, both enforced and voluntary. This conference aims to provide colleagues from European countries, sharing the same set of challenges and responsibilities, the opportunity to network and exchange experiences in an informal setting. Experts will be able to meet face to face and discuss how GDISC should take forward work in this field.

Invitations are being sent to the General Directors of the Immigration Services of the 27 EU Member States, the Candidate Countries and Iceland, Norway and Switzerland. Furthermore the invitations are being sent to the corresponding Returns Contact Points. Each country will have the option to be represented by at least two delegates at this Conference. The delegates are expected to be Directors working in the field of Returns, together with an official from their organization. The European Commission will be invited to address the Conference and to act as an observer. The working language of the Conference will be English.

Attached to this invitation, please find a preliminary agenda and a registration form.

We would be grateful if you could confirm your attendance to the GDISC Secretariat. We kindly request you to return your completed registration form by 30 September 2009 to: GDISCsecretariat@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk, in order to book flight tickets for participants.

As all delegates can attend three of the four different workshops, we kindly request you to indicate your workshop preferences on the registration form as well.

The Conference will be hosted the Hungarian Office for Immigration and Nationality and facilitated with financial support from the European Return Fund and the Hungarian Ministry of Justice and Law Enforcement. The cost of delegate's travel as well as Hotel accommodation for two nights from 28 to 30 October 2009, with dinner on 28 and 29 October and lunch on 29 and 30 October will be paid for by the Hungarian Office for Immigration and Nationality.

Transport from Budapest Ferihegy Airport to the hotel and vice versa will be provided by the Hungarian Office for Immigration and Nationality. The bus transfers will leave from Budapest Ferihegy Airport in every hour, you can find our information desk at the airport arrival lounge.

* As a public procurement procedure is in process, we can inform you about the conference venue only later.

For further information or queries please contact Mr. Benjamin Abo Kadira from the GDISC Secretariat. E-mail: GDISCsecretariat@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk ; telephone +44 20 7035 4552.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you all in Hungary in October.

Kind regards,

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