Roma in EU – issues of discrimination

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The situation of the Roma minority

- Native country discrimination practices
- Discrimination against Roma immigrants
Native country discrimination practices

- Discrimination in housing
- Discrimination in education
- Discrimination in labor activities
- Discrimination in health care system
- Discrimination in access to public services and goods
- Discrimination in the public sphere – participation in public life
Native country discrimination practices - continuation

- Institutional discrimination:
  - Roma discriminated by public administration;
  - Roma discriminated by private entities – companies and credit institutions

- Protection services:
  - Roma discriminated by the police services (police abuse of power);
  - Roma discriminated by Prosecution offices and court authorities
Native country discrimination practices – continuation – internal legal tools

- National Protection against Discrimination Acts – relevance and transposition of the international requirements;
- National Protection against Discrimination Bodies
Native country discrimination – continuation - examples

- Roma children against 103rd municipal school in Sofia, Bg
- Assenov against Kenar LTD
- Dobri Jelyazkov community against Sofia municipality
- R.W. against Sveta Sofia hospital
Discrimination against Roma immigrants

- Discrimination against immigrants to be (still in the native country)
- Discrimination against the Roma immigrants in France and Italy: Romanian and Bulgarian Roma communities
International protection against discrimination

- EU Directives: 2000/43 (Race Directive)
- EU Directives: 2000/78 (Gender equality in labor services Directive)
- EU Directives: 97/80 (Reversal of Burden of Proofs)
International protection against discrimination

- European Convention for Human Rights and its Protocols;
- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;
- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- Other relevant international documents
International protection against discrimination

- European Court on Human Rights – relevant practice;
- UN Human Rights Committee – relevant practice