

Forum on Integration 2018 - Bratislava

INTERCULTURALITY PLAN OF BARCELONA

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Presentation

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1. Who am I?

- Some information about me
- Professional skills and experience
 - ▣ Degree in Political Science
 - ▣ Master International cooperation
 - ▣ Master in Immigration Management
 - ▣ Professional certificate in Intercultural mediation
 - ▣ Peer Advisor in “Active Citizenship: Enhancing Political Participation of Migrant Youth” – IOM project
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=otmHy5SPQjE>
- Why migration and refugees studies?
- Participation

2. Fellowship Open Society Foundation

- What or who is Open Society Foundation?  OPEN SOCIETY FOUNDATIONS
 - ▣ Foundation that works to build vibrant and tolerant societies whose governments are accountable and open to the participation of all people.
 - ▣ Open City with the Municipality of Bcn
 - ▣ The fellowship has three components:
 1. Work with the municipality
 2. Fellows' own project: Strategic plan for labour market integration for refugees
 3. Work in the European Migrant Advisory Board

3. My experience in Municipality of Bcn

- Barcelona city for refugees  Ajuntament de Barcelona
- ▣ Strategic plan for labour market integration for refugees
- Area of Migration, Diversity and Interculturality
- ▣ Participation in project “*My city my vote*” to involve migrant political participation
- Some examples in municipality and how can work on interculturality

4. European Migration Advisory Board

Self-led group of advisors with immigrant and refugee-background.

EMAB works to increase the participation of immigrants and refugees in different policy-making processes affecting immigrants' access to rights.

- Objectives:
 - ▣ To represent immigrants and refugees interest in Europe
 - ▣ To ensure and promote immigrants and refugees' access to rights in their communities in Europe
 - ▣ To contribute to building a positive and empowering narrative about immigration and asylum
 - ▣ To provide advice on immigration and refugee-related policies to the *partnership on Inclusion of Migrants and Refugees*.



- UA represents a new multi-level working method promoting cooperation between Member States, cities, the European Commission and other stakeholders in order to stimulate growth, liveability and innovation in the cities of EU and to identify and successfully tackle social challenges.
- Focuses on three pillars
 - ▣ ***Better regulation***
 - ▣ ***Better funding***
 - ▣ ***Better knowledge***
- Thematic **Partnerships** representing various governmental levels and stakeholders are the key delivery mechanism within the Urban Agenda for the EU.

□ Consultation

▣ What?

The consultation is a process to bring the opinions and the recommendations from migrants and refugees on the city level to the partnership and EU level.

▣ Why?

We want to bring more refugees and immigrants voices to the current policy debate, take part and change policies that affect their life. The aim is also to create a source of content for policy recommendations through the partnership actions

▣ How it?

- Survey: quantitative data

- Focused groups: qualitative data

- **Focus group 1. Housing, Integration, Participation, Higher Education**
- **Focus group 2. Return, Job Integration, Microcredit**
- **Focus group 3. Unaccompanied minors**

4. How to make integration policies?

- ❑ Work against xenophobia and racism
- ❑ BCN Intercultural Action
- ❑ Promoting the participation of migrants and refugees in the city
- ❑ Avoid policies of paternalism

5. Why are important our voices?

- We are part of the city where we live
- Build
- Accept where we are from and live with it
- Participation
- Integration is bicultural

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