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**Networking meeting with organisations active in the field of Memory and Remembrance
Brussels/Mechelen 3-4 May 2011**

3 May, Commission Headquarters, Berlaymont, Salle Schuman

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| 13:45 – 14:15 | Registration |
| 14:15 – 14:45 | Opening and welcome

Claus H. Sorensen, Director General, DG Communication |
| 14:45 – 16:00 | European Remembrance and Memory – <i>"What role for the EU?"</i>

Memory of Holocaust and Stalinism – <i>"From the National to the European Perspective"</i>

Georges Bensoussan, Memorial de la Shoah, France
Heidemarie Uhl, University of Vienna, Austria
Norman M. Naimark, Stanford University
Dariusz Stola, Polish Academy of Sciences |
| 16:00 - 16:45 | Debate |
| 16:45 – 17:15 | Coffee break |
| 17:15 – 18:15 | Presentation of Commission activities in the area of Remembrance

Tomas Kukal, Directorate General Justice (EC Report on Totalitarian Crimes of 22 Dec 2010)
Maria Theofilatou, Directorate General Research and Innovation (European Holocaust Research Infrastructure - EHRI)
John McDonald, Directorate General Communication, Volunteering and Remembrance |

Departure by bus to Mechelen (Novotel Mechelen Centre)

Dinner at the hotel

4 May, Jewish Deportation Museum, Mechelen

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| 9:30 – 10:00 | Opening

Sir Nathan Ramet, Chair of the Board of Jewish Deportation Museum |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | Future Mechelen Holocaust Museum " <i>From Local to Global Memory</i> "

Herman van Goethem, University of Antwerp |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Reporting back from the Public Hearing "What do the Young Europeans know about Totalitarianisms?" held in March at the European Parliament

Joke van der Leeuw-Roord, EUROCLIO
Pavel Tychtl, European Commission, DG Communication |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee break |
| 11:30 – 13:00 | Debate on the focus of networking within the Remembrance Group, role of other international organisations (Council of Europe, UNESCO) future plans and activities (Polish Presidency event in Rybnik, conference in the Netherlands with FRA in October)

Dr Carole Reich, Programme Manager "Remembrance of the Holocaust", Council of Europe |
| 13:00 – 15:00 | Buffet lunch

(optional guided tour of the Jewish Deportation Museum) |
| 15:00 – 16:00 | Conclusion of the meeting

Ylva Tiveus, Director, Citizens and Institutions, DG COMM |
| 16:15 | Bus departs for Brussels |