

DEPART CONFERENCE 1

Housing provision for Roma and other traveller communities

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Recommendations

Recommendation on Roma integration measures in housing:

- Prevent the spread of socially excluded Roma villages and the segregation of their inhabitants – an important aim of the state and municipalities and villages should be the revitalisation of the deprived areas in which members of Roma communities live, the creation of conditions for the social inclusion of the inhabitants of these and prevention of the increase of other excluded localities.
- Increase the accessibility of social housing for Roma households with low incomes - Roma need support for access to social housing, especially low-income Roma households
- Reduce the circumstances of discrimination and illegal practices applied to Roma in the housing market and at the same time offer them practical assistance in dealing with such practices – the protection of Roma households against the unlawful practices of persons and organisations in the property market must be one of the main aims of municipalities and regions in Europe.
- Improving the housing conditions in neighbourhoods with massive Roma population, aimed at ensuring modern housing environment - building technical infrastructure as water and sewer networks, streets, public works, etc.
- Generating integrated projects in partnership with several ministries, local and central institutions, municipality administration in order to establish integrated projects and intervention measures for Roma with multiple financing resources including European and private funds.

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