

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO SLOVENIA

BELGIUM

- What is the state of play of the ratification process of Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, which the Government of Slovenia has signed in 2007?
- What is the state of play of the ratification process of the Optional Protocol to the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure, which Slovenia has signed respectively in 2009 and 2012?
- What is the state of play of the ratification process regarding the amendment of article 8 to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD)?
- The reports of Slovenia to the Human Rights Committee and the CRPD are overdue. What measures are envisaged by the Government to remedy this?
- Is the Government of Slovenia considering ratifying the Istanbul Convention of the Council of Europe on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence?
- How has the Government of Slovenia addressed the concern of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC) that children of same-sex couples face discrimination in school based on their family's sexual orientation?
- What concrete steps has the Government of Slovenia taken to implement the CERD's recommendation to strengthen its measures aimed at improving the housing conditions of the Roma?

GERMANY

- What measures has the Government of Slovenia taken in 2013 and 2014 to establish adequate monitoring mechanisms to protect the Roma from discrimination or to anchor a legal and institutional framework that guarantees effective remedies to victims of discrimination?

NETHERLANDS

- Which steps does the government of Slovenia take to implement the Action Plan of the Intergovernmental Working Group for Trafficking in Human Beings (2012-2013)?

- To what extent have the actions taken by the government to raise awareness of discrimination of certain groups within society resulted in equal, legal and fair treatment of minorities, such as Roma?
- Did the Act Regulating the Legal Status of Citizens of Former Yugoslavia living in the Republic of Slovenia in 2010 lead to the full integration of the different groups of citizens living in Slovenia?

NORWAY

- Norway welcomes Slovenia's continued commitment to combating trafficking in human beings. Yet procedures for referring victims to NGOs for assistance are not formalized and therefore not always efficient. Do you foresee a formalization of this referral mechanism?
- We welcome the approved spatial planning policy aimed at modernizing Roma settlements. How do you foresee that the issue will be resolved in light of the fact that the settlement issue is primarily within the competence of local municipalities?
- We welcome the measures Slovenia has undertaken to improve the backlogs in courts over the reporting period. Yet Slovenia has several European Court of Human Rights rulings pending against her to Croatian bondholders of the Slovenian bank NLB, and to prisoners suffering in overcrowded prisons. Have you set a time-frame for honouring these obligations?
- Slovenia also accepted a recommendation to strengthen the institution of the Human Rights Ombudsman, could you say a little more about what measures you are planning to undertake to ensure that the institution qualifies under Group A of the Paris Principles?