Meeting of the EU Ministers responsible for Childhood

L’Europe de l’Enfance

Lucca, 25 and 26 September 2003

Auditorium San Romano

Agenda

Sexual abuse and exploitation of children, Child labour and the Promotion of children’s rights at EU level

25 September 14,00 – 18,30

14.00 – 14.15
Welcome address and introductory remarks by the Italian Minister of Labour and Social Affairs, Hon. Roberto MARONI

14.15 – 16.15
First session
The fight against the phenomena of intra-familial and extra-familial sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children in the EU
The actions undertaken by the European Union countries following the Conference of Europe and Central Asia on “Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation” (Budapest, 20-21 November 2001) and the Second World Congress against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children, (Yokohama, 17-20 December 2001)

- Report by Mr. Stewart ASQUITH, European Professor for the Study of the Child, University of Glasgow
- Communication by Ms Marta SANTOS PAIS, Director Unicef Innocenti Research Centre

Interventions and debate among the participating Ministers

16.15 Coffee – break

16.30 – 18.30
Second session
The fight against child labour in the EU
• “For a common alphabet: reflections on child labour in the industrialised societies” by Ms. Maria Teresa TAGLIAVENTI, Professor in Sociology, University of Piacenza
• Communication by Mr. Kari TAPIOLA, Executive Director, Standards and Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work Sector, ILO

Interventions and debate among the participating Ministers

26 September 9,30 – 12,30

9.30 – 11.30
Third session
The promotion of children’s rights at EU level

• Report by Mr. Pawel JAROS, Polish Ombudsman for Children
• Communication by Ms. Maud de BOER-BOQUICCHIO, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Interventions and debate among the participating Ministers

11.30 – 12.00 Summing up and conclusions by the Italian Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Hon. Roberto MARONI

12.00 Press Conference

12.30 Lunch