16th of December 2010

- Arrival of the participants
- Networking dinner (participants, public authorities)
- Dinner for the Ministers and Secretaries of States present

17th of December 2010

Charlemagne building
9h00 – 9h30 Registration & Coffee

Chair

Julien Van Geertsom, President of the Belgian Federal Public Planning Service for Social Integration.

Plenary

9h30 - 9h35 « Message from people experiencing poverty ».
9h35 – 10h30 Welcome, Christine Mahy, President of Belgian Antipoverty network. Introduction to the conference.

Panel discussion:
Philippe Courard, Secretary of State for social integration and combating poverty
László Andor, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
Ludo Horemans, EAPN / NGO’s coalition

10h30 – 11h00 Round table with the Ministers and Secretary of State from the participating Countries

11h00 - 12h30 Project path: Sharing, learning, inspiring ». Introduction: Antonia Capparelli, Head of Unit Social Inclusion, European Commission. Exhibition of projects from 29 partners countries (video corner, speakers' corner, library, photos ….). Coffee included.

12h30 – 12h50 European Minister's speaking time
12h50 - 14h00 Lunch
14h -14h45 Journalist Awards with the presence of Lesley Knight (European Ambassador of the European Year).

Final session

14h45 – 15h15 Jerzy Buzek, President of the European Parliament
Herman Van Rompuy, President of the European Council
José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission.
Yves Leterme, Prime Minister of Belgium

15h20 Philippe Courard, Secretary of State for social integration and combating poverty, closing and invitation to reception in the City hall of Brussels

City Hall of Brussels

16h00 Reception in the Gothic Room
Welcoming address, Freddy Thielemans, Mayor of Brussels City.

17h30 Closure