



Date: 14 May 2012

At: Europe House (Huis van Europa), Korte Vijverberg 5/6, Den Haag

The AIRE Centre (London), in conjunction with Free Legal Advice Centres (FLAC) warmly invite you to attend a round-table event on EU Social Security and access to special non-contributory benefits by EU migrants.

This round-table is the third in a series of three; the first was held in London in January 2012, and second was held in Dublin in March 2012. The round-tables are part of a project funded by the European Commission on improving EU migrants' access to special non-contributory benefits (see for more information: <u>http://www.airecentre.org/pages/special-non-contributory-benefits-for-eu-migrants-a-tri-city-project.html</u>). The Dutch benefits that are listed in Annex X of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 as special non-contributory benefits are the Wet Wajong and the Toeslagenwet.

The round-table will provide an excellent opportunity for individuals working in the sector of EU free movement, migration, welfare and social security to come together and share their experiences and best practice. The objective is for all participants to gain a fuller understanding of the issues and challenges around special non-contributory benefits in the Netherlands and in the other two project countries, and for the project partners to develop advocacy and policy tools based on the issues identified.

The programme that you find on the next page is divided into a morning and an afternoon session. During the morning session, the project staff will discuss the logistics and progress of the project. Even though all are welcome to attend the morning session, the afternoon session is probably more interesting to the general public.

The first presentations of the afternoon session will give an general introduction to the project and to the issues that have been identified in the three project countries so far. The presentations after the free lunch will focus on thematic issues relating to benefits and vulnerable migrants. The round-table will conclude with a discussion of practical steps that could be taken to improve the access of EU migrants to special non-contributory benefits in the Netherlands and in the other project countries.

The agenda is still in draft format, however for logistical purposes, it would be very much appreciated if you could respond by 7 May if you, or a colleague, are able to attend. To register your attendance, and all other enquiries, please contact Lize Glas at: l.glas_AIRE@live.com.







MORNING SESSION (Project Team, but all are welcome)

- 09:45 10:00 Introduction & Overview for the day
- 10:00 10:10 Update on Activities (AIRE)
- 10:10 10:20 Update on Activities (FLAC)
- 10:20 10:30 Update on Activities (NL)
- 10:30 11:15 Information Notes
- 11:15 11:30 Break
- 11:30 12:00 Revisit Project Objectives & Plan Next Steps

AFTERNOON SESSION (All Participants)

- 12:00 12:10Introduction to the project & introduction for all
participants12:10 12:30UK SNCB Situation Esther Lieu (AIRE Centre)12:30 12:50Irish SNCB Situation Saoirse Brady (FLAC)12:50 13:10NL SNCB Situation Lize Glas13:10 14:00Free Lunch
- 14:00 14:30 Removal of Homeless EEA Nationals Adam Weiss (AIRE Centre)
- 14:30 15:00 SNCB's in between Territoriality and Free Movement of Persons – Nicolas Rennuy (Candidate of the Research Foundation Flanders, Department of Social Law, Gent University)
- 15:00 15:15 Break
- 15:15 15:45Acces to Benefits: Victims of Domestic Violence Third
Speaker (TBC)
- 15:45 16:00 Next Steps



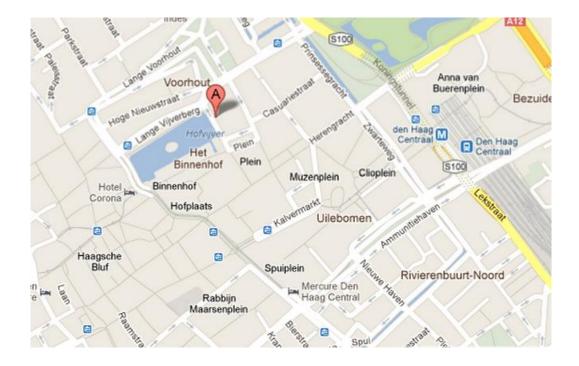




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