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Emne: Fundamental Rights Conference 2014, 10-11 November 2014, Rome

Dear National Parliamentary Focal Points,

On **10-11 November 2014**, FRA in cooperation with the Italian Presidency of the Council of the EU will host the annual Fundamental Rights Conference (FRC) 2014 in Rome. This year's conference will be dedicated to the issue of **migration and forced migration, to the importance of taking a fundamental rights-based approach to implementing EU migration policies**.

About the conference

In light of the recently adopted *Strategic Guidelines for legislative and policy planning in the area of freedom, security and justice*, the Conference will debate key fundamental rights challenges in EU migration policy; and in particular in the fields of border management, asylum but also migrant integration. In this context, the conference will discuss how to alleviate the effects of the current migration pressures at EU's external sea and land borders, while fully respecting fundamental rights. It will also focus on how migration and active inclusion policies should be based on fundamental rights, while also promoting social cohesion and migrants' empowerment in European societies.

The high level event will bring together more than **250 policy makers, experts and practitioners** from EU institutions and bodies, international organisations, national governments and parliaments, law enforcement authorities, civil society and the academia.

It will take place the first day in the Chamber of Deputies of the Italian Parliament and the second day in the School of Administration of the Ministry of Interior.

[The preliminary programme of the Fundamental Rights Conference 2014 is attached for your information.](#)

Due to limited number of participants, we would welcome your support in identifying one relevant Member of Parliament interested in the conference, preferably members of the relevant parliamentary committees working on the issues of the conference. Your support is much appreciated to identify Parliaments' delegates that can actively participate and provide input in the event.

We would appreciate if you could send the names, function and contact details of national government delegates to frc@fra.europa.eu at your earliest convenience, but **no later than 10 September**.

For more information, kindly contact **Ms Sara Sighinolfi** at frc@fra.europa.eu.

Best regards,
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