

Fundación Secretariado Gitano proposals for the forthcoming European Elections 2019



FUNDACIÓN SECRETARIADO GITANO PROPOSALS

FORTHCOMING European Parliaments Elections 2019

We urge EU political parties to acknowledge the situation of extreme poverty, exclusion and discrimination that Roma people suffer across the EU and guarantee Roma's equal rights as full-fledged EU citizens

We ask EU political parties to consider in their political programmes and political priorities the specific disadvantaged and discriminatory situation that Roma face in all EU Member States and be determined to overcome existing inequalities and violation of human rights of Roma people.

In the current political context of growing racist and xenophobic discourses, a solid and straightforward determination to counterbalance such approaches and make political proposals to guarantee the EU-founding values is of extreme importance to make an EU for all.



From Fundación Secretariado Gitano, we want to contribute to the European electoral process

RECOMMENDATIONS TO POLITICIANS AND POLICY-MAKERS



Support the renewal of the existing **EU Framework for National Roma Integration Strategies** (2011-2020) for the coming years as a requisite to tackle existing inequalities and discrimination of Roma across the EU



Assume and lead the aim of **reducing the inequality gap and the fight against poverty and social exclusion**, particularly of the most vulnerable social groups to guarantee equal opportunities, taking into consideration the different starting points of specific groups, such as Roma



Acquire a solid public **commitment against discrimination, hate speech and crimes in the EU** by following up on the effective application of existing EU legal instruments



Promote a **human rights-based approach in all EU policies and instruments** with a particular focus on children, and specifically of **Roma children** across the EU, who are in a particularly excluded and vulnerable situation. The future Child Guarantee should take into consideration the particular situation of Roma children



Assure a **better alignment between EU social policy priorities and the programming of ESI Funds** as a way to guarantee social, economic and territorial cohesion and to compensate inequalities among and within Member States. Long term, solid and structural **investments** need to be assured

The Fundación Secretariado Gitano (FSG) is a non-profit intercultural organization that has been working for more than thirty-five years for the social inclusion of the Roma community and equal opportunities in Spain and in Europe.

We are currently present in 14 autonomous communities of Spain with 55 work centres.



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