

INVITATION

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SAVE THE DATE - INVITATION SPECIAL YOUTH CARE PLATFORM KREIS OFFENBACH (FRANKFURT AM MAIN), 23 OCTOBER 2014

Mr Stefaan Van Mulders, CEO of the Flemish Agency for Youth Welfare is pleased to invite you for the 3^d meeting of the Special Youth Care Platform.

The meeting will take place on the 23^d of October 2014 in Kreis Offenbach (Frankfurt am Main).

Last year the Special Youth Care Platform was launched during the annual meeting of ENSA, the European Network of Social Authorities. In March 2014 a second meeting took place in Brussels. Now service providers and national and regional governing bodies active in youth care all over the European Union, will meet again. The aim of this meeting is to take this initiative further and to build an active and strong platform.

During the meeting in Brussels in March, the participants of the Platform started to develop a strategic planning for the upcoming 3 years. This discussion will be finalized during the meeting in Germany.

The meeting is organized again in the frame of the annual General Assembly of ENSA 2014 (23d and 24d of October 2014, Kreis Offenbach). All participants in the Special Youth Care Platform are invited to take part in all the activities of the ENSA network. A program with the activities will be send out together with this invitation.

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THIRD MEETING OF THE SPECIAL YOUTH CARE PLATFORM

The draft agenda for the 3th meeting:

(A detailed agenda will be send out soon)

08:45 – 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome and Introduction**

Mr Stefaan Van Mulders, CEO Flemish Agency for Youth Welfare and chair of the meeting

09:15 – 10:30 **Workplan 2014 - 2016**

Presentation, discussion and approval of the Workplan 2014 – 2016

10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee Break**

10:45 – 12:00 **Exchange on the specific target group “non accompanied minors”**

Represented regions/member states will be invited to present their practices and experiences (a preparatory note will follow).

(This topic is already part of the workplan)

12:00 – 12:30 **Conclusions and next steps**

RATIONALE OF THE SPECIAL YOUTH CARE PLATFORM

Youth care, youth sanctioning and social policy are not part of the European jurisdiction as such but we see the impact of EU-policies on the social policies of the member states is growing. The involvement of the European policy level in the social field can pose a threat to the sovereignty at the national and regional level, a level often viewed as best suited to work out social policies. But the introduction of the European level also presents the private and public bodies with opportunities for networking and policy making. The Special Youth Care Platform wants to present NGOs working in the sector as well as national and regional governing bodies with such opportunities for policy making, networking and building alliances.

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