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European Parliament Anti-Racism and Diversity Intergroup (ARDI)**

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON MUSLIMS IN THE MEDIA:
CHALLENGING NARRATIVES, STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS, ENGAGING
COMMUNITIES**

30th May 2017
09:00-11:00

Location: European Parliament ASP A3H1

Following their international commitments the states should be working in close co-operation with civil society on developing measures which do not endanger freedom of information and expression, but that counter hate speech and biased coverage of communities targeted by racism, discrimination and intolerance. This public discussion brings together members of European parliament, media professionals, researchers, Muslim community representatives and other interested parties to analyze and discuss the coverage, portrayal and participation of Muslims in the media, including gender and ethnic diversity. The panelists will not only present recent data on the coverage of Muslims in the media but will also discuss best practices and creative ways to strengthen partnerships among the relevant stakeholders.

Agenda:

09:00-09:15 Opening remarks

- **Sajjad Karim MEP**, Vice-President of the European Parliament Anti-Racism and Diversity Intergroup (ARDI)
- **Cristina Finch**, Head, Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Department, OSCE/ODIHR
- **David Friggieri**, European Commission Coordinator on Combating anti-Muslim hatred

09:15-10:15 Panel discussion

- **Moderated by Dermana Seta**, ODIHR Advisor on Combating Intolerance against Muslims
- **Aidan White**, Director of Ethical Journalism Network
- **Mamadou Bocoum**, Imam/Researcher, UK
- **Karolina Wigura**, Kultura liberalna
- **Blanca Tapia**, Program manager of European Union Fundamental Rights Agency
- **Georgina Siklossy**, Senior Communication and Press Officer of ENAR

10:15-11:00 Q&A