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Directorate-General for Communication
Directorate for Information Offices
Horizontal and Thematic Monitoring Unit
Patronage Service

MILAN EPIO[1] AVIS ON THE PATRONAGE REQUEST

Request reference: *GEDA reference 14430*

1. Your opinion on the organisers (reputation, other events organised): *(please develop)*

The event is organised by a non-profit organization on children's rights. The network includes a good level of participation at international level.

2. Your opinion on the event/project/initiative: *(please develop)*

2.1. European dimension; relation with EU policies and/or EP activity and priorities in the field:
The European dimension is evident as the conference sees participants coming from different countries. The theme dealt with is very sensitive (children adoption and children rights).

2.2. General issues with European interest or including a European angle: link to children's rights .

2.3. Quality: Medium

2.4. Focusing on young people or less-favoured social groups: yes, children

2.5. Benefitting of the participation or support of MEPs: not evident

2.6. Impact on public opinion: medium

Other criteria to be taken into account:

- Repetitive: no

- Commercial purpose: no

- Late arrival: no

- Linked to political parties or trade unions: no

- Other reason which may have as a result a negative AVIS: no

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[1] "The Information Office shall submit a reasoned opinion on the event concerned and its organisers, together with a proposal for a decision on whether the request satisfies the substantive and procedural conditions for patronage, in order to enable a decision to be taken promptly in accordance with these rules." - Rules governing patronage by the European Parliament - Bureau Decision of 9 June 1997

Proposal for a decision: AVIS INCERTAIN*

* The issue was very controversial in the past in EP debates. The promoter have international contacts but in the detailed programme we received, there is no explicitly reference to the EU and EP guidelines and actors (program uploaded on GEDA). We leave the decision to the CP.