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Headlines

Establishment of the National Commission for Monitoring Slum Clearance

The inter-ministerial delegate for accommodation and access to housing, Sylvain MATHIEU, established the National Commission for Monitoring Slum Clearance on Wednesday 20 June 2018.

Made up of thirty members representing all the stakeholders (local authorities, prefectures, associations, ministries, parliamentarians, independent administrative authorities, ...), its mission is to monitor the implementation of the government instruction of 25 January 2018 to give a new impetus to slum clearance.

The ambition is to create **a co-construction and evaluation partnership for this policy**. Taking part in the launch were Marie-Dominique DREYSSE, deputy mayor of Strasbourg, Marie-Hélène NEDELEC, vice president of the city of Nantes, Olivier NOBLECOURT, inter-ministerial delegate for the prevention of and fight against child poverty, Nicolas DEMOULIN, deputy for Hérault, representatives from the Nord prefecture, the Loire-Atlantique prefecture and the Île-de-France prefecture, representatives of the Abbé Pierre Foundation, Médecins du Monde, the Romeurope Human Rights Collective, the National Human Rights Commission and the Inter-ministerial Anti-Racism, Anti-Semitism and Anti-LGBT Discrimination Delegation.

This first meeting was an opportunity to give an



First meeting of the commission

overview of the slum clearance operations supported in 2017, a report on the territories supported in 2018, as well as the consolidated follow-up mechanism introduced by DIHAL (survey of slums, monitoring of evacuations, results and performance indicators for accompanying actions). Finally, it helped establish the framework for the Commission's work and launch **7 working groups around different themes (housing, employment, education, healthcare, anti-discrimination, participation and empowerment, transnational cooperation)** who will report to the Commission.

You can show your interest in a working group by writing to: pole-resorption-bidonville.dihal@developpement-durable.gouv.fr

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Regional News

Ile-de-France: change of operator for the regional platform

On 22 May 2018, the prefect for the Ile-de-France region, Michel CADOT, convened government agencies, local collectives and associations to provide an overview of the regional strategy and initiate the new drive from the instruction of 25 January 2018. **The new operator appointed to implement the regional platform for integration was presented: it is the ACINA association**, who have been working in slums in Val

d'Oise for several years and are specialised in supporting integration through employment. They will be replacing Adoma and will now also be working in Essonne, Hauts-de-Seine, Seine-Saint-Denis and Val-de-Marne. During this meeting, emphasis was placed on the **existence of departmental dynamics to strengthen regional strategy, under the control of the regional project director, the deputy prefect Jérôme NORMAND.**

Marseille: departmental steering committee

On 22 June 2018, Marie-Emmanuelle ASSIDON, the prefect responsible for equality of opportunity at the Bouches-du-Rhône prefecture, convened the departmental steering committee on accompanying actions and slum clearance, in the presence of DIHAL. This regular meeting with all partners involved was the opportunity to provide **an overview of the situation in Marseille, but also in Aix-en-Provence, Vitrolles and Aubagne** where positive operations were conducted. **In a difficult context in one of the main departments affected by camps and slums, the prefect delegated initiated a relaunch of the dynamics of clearance and partnership-based dialogue**, specifically through two experimental accompanying projects on site. DIHAL lends its support to these projects which have been

integrated into the national monitoring process.

Steering committee presided over by the prefect for equality of opportunity

Ivry-sur-Seine: inauguration of the Villensemble project

The **project, lead by Convivances, was initiated** on 25 May 2018 in the presence of the mayor, Philippe BOUYSSOU, from the region's prefecture, represented by Jérôme NORMAND and Fatiha AGGOUNE, departmental advisor and residents of the site. Dihal is particularly focused on this project, which reuses old chalets from the Orly project based on a loan agreed with the owner. The Prefecture of the Ile-de-France region commended **the actors' exemplary partnership commitment.**



Site of Villensemble project, in Ivry-sur-Seine



DIHAL news

2018 allocation of funding for slum clearance

DIHAL has just finished allocating the 2018 national envelope of funding for territorial operations for slum and illegal camp clearance. Through 17 videoconferences with the territories in question, DIHAL monitored the operations funded in 2017. The overview show 73 operations carried out by 46 operators. In total, these operations concerned 3,600 households, which constitutes around 11,300 persons (among which 5,275 children are of school age), an increase of +46% in relation to 2016. The data collected confirms that clearance, without resettlement, of slums, camps and squats is possible, and that the majority of

accompanying actions concerning integration prove to be effective in the long term.

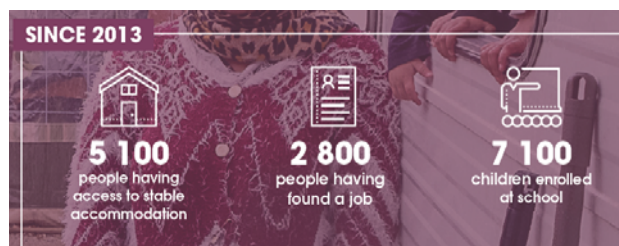
Due to the operations supported in 2017, 439 households had access to housing – around 1,320 people – and 885 people had access to employment. These results are progressing in relation to 2016 (respectively +16% and +26%).

For 2018, 23 territories in total requested funding. Grants have been given to 20 territories (Ile-de-France taken as a region counting as a territory).

The three decision-making priorities in 2018 were as follows: 1. Strengthen territories undertaking

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a shift that can give a new impetus pursuant to the instruction of 25 January 2018. **2. Support** global partnership-based approaches to clearance, in particular with local collectives. **3. Encourage operations directed towards Housing First.** The projects supported should be integrated into DIHAL's national monitoring mechanism currently being consolidated. **An overview will be published soon.**



Overseas slums: exchanges with Environment, Development and Housing Directorates

During training days on the fight against substandard housing overseas, organised by the National Centre for the Fight Against Substandard Housing, from 18 to 22 June 2018, the Dihal slums division presented their operation in France to the representatives of the 5 overseas departments.

The instruction of 25 January 2018 does not cover

overseas departments, but the presence of slums in these territories leads to the question of the coordination of slum clearance actions in these territories with the new text. **DIHAL initiated discussions with the General Overseas Directorate to consider how experience- and capitalisation-sharing work could be conducted.**

Working meeting around the new urban and social planning mission for Nantes Metropolis

On 7 June 2018, on the request of the city of Nantes, DIHAL met Marie-Hélène Nedelec, vice president of Nantes metropolis, and her team, for a working meeting on the implementation of the urban and social planning mission initiated from February 2018 in the 24 communes in the city.

One of the main characteristics of this operation is to gather together a large number of communes under the same integrated strategy. In this regard, it sets out financial equalisation and allocation measures, the monitoring of which can be used in other territories.



Europe/International

15th plenary session of the Expert Committee on the Roma people of the Council of Europe

The 15th plenary session of Cahrom (Ad-hoc committee of national experts on issues concerning the Roma people and the travelling community) under the Council of Europe was held in Athens from 22 to 25 May. On this occasion, the inter-ministerial delegate, Sylvain MATHIEU, presented on the new drive in France for slum clearance through the government instruction of 25 January 2018. DIHAL also contributed to a workshop on early marriage and ran a workshop on access to justice for the Roma people. The announcement was made that one of the two annual Cahrom meetings in 2019 could be held in France as part of the French presidency of the Council of Europe's Committee of Ministers. This plenary session of Cahrom also allowed for detailed presentations **on the policy of camp clearance conducted in Greece.** Although it is distinguished by an ethnic focus (specifically on inclusion of the Roma people) and refers to Greek populations (and not migrant European citizens), it is related in its



Katerina GIANTSIOU, Special Secretary for Inclusion of the Roma people, during a visit as part of CAHROM

operational implementation and its organisation to the operation conducted in France, with a sustainable slum and camp clearance strategy, and portage by an inter-ministerial body attached to the ministry of social affairs.

Further information [here](#)

Presentation on the report of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

On 29 June, 2018 the European representative of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Birgit VAN HOUT presented a report on the effectiveness of the right to housing and related rights, for the Roma people in France.

This report, made following a mission of several days in France, emphasises **the progress made by France and highlights the new drive from the instruction of 25 January 2018.** The report was published in France [here](#) and in English [here](#).

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Partnerships/Networks

Nathalie GODARD appointed president of CNDH Romeurope

The administrative board of CNDH Romeurope elected Nathalie GODARD to its presidency at the start of July, responsible for French operations in Médecins du Monde. She succeeds Guillaume LARDANCHET.

The Romeurope collective convenes 45 associations

and collectives. It is supported financially by the government to develop its operations.

It participates particularly in the work of the National Commission, and aims to take an active part in implementing the new drive from the instruction of 25 January 2018.

Presentation of the report "slums and camps: what should local authorities manage?" from the INHESJ auditors

On 12 June, the group of auditors for the 29th national session of the national institute of advanced studies on security and justice filed their report. Using local reports from both continental France and overseas,

this report highlights the responses from territorial collectives and establishes recommendations of a national and European level.

The report is available on request.



Without comment... and without prejudice Review of the subjects covered on the Internet and in the press

• Crowd-funding the project studying Ensa-Paris-Belleville on the Acières site in Marseille.
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• "B as in Bagou", a collective creation project at Enfants du Canal
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• A photo documentary on the Kawéni slum in Mayotte
Click [here](#)

• An article on the Ivry-sur-Seine project
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• In Algiers, slum clearance
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• A fire in a slum in Montreuil, families given shelter
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• Action of the French Ambassador to Romania to protect the family and childhood
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• Publications by Elise ROCHE, researcher on slums and urban segregation at INSA Lyon
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• A clearance project in Lambersart, in the Nord department
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