



Programme of Events

Friday 2nd December

Screening of Pavee Lackeen. Panel Discussion to follow with Perry Ogden Director, Mark Venner Scriptwriter and Martin Collins, Assistant Director Pavee Point

Venue: Irish Film Centre, Eustace St., Temple Bar **Time:** 11.00am



Sunday 4th December

Launch of Traveller Focus Week by Lucy Gaffney, Chairperson, Steering Committee National Action Plan Against Racism

Exhibition and Prize Giving Photo Competition ***A Traveller's Ireland***

Venue: Filmbase, Curved St., Temple Bar **Time:** 5.00pm

(Exhibit will run for the duration of Traveller Focus Week 3-10 Dec)

'**John & Josie**' Play by Rosaleen McDonagh (Dealing with issues of Traveller identity and sexuality)

Venue: Project Arts Centre, E. Essex St., Temple Bar, Dublin **Time:** 8.00pm

Monday 5th December

Theme for Day: Accommodation

ITM panel discussion on Traveller accommodation: ***Broken Promises***

Venue: Pavee Point **Time:** 10.30 - 1.00pm

Press Conference and Launch of Centre for Housing Rights & Evictions (COHRE) Report on Ireland

Venue: Buswells Hotel, Molesworth St. Dublin 2. **Time:** 2.00pm

Tuesday 6th December

Theme for Day: Education

Launch of DVD ***Pavee Parents, Primary Concerns - A Guide to your Child's Primary School*** by Marianne Azema, Head of Investigations and Complaints, Ombudsman for Children's Office

Venue: Ombudsman for Children's Office, Millenium House, 52-56 Great Strand Street, Dublin 1 **Time:** 11.00am

Wednesday 7th December

Theme for Day: Health

Launch of **Pavee Fotochat**, Primary Health Care for Travellers Report, Mental Health Presentation and Community Care Directory of Services by Dr. Abdul Bulbulia, Chairperson National Traveller Health Advisory Committee

Venue: Pavee Point **Time:** 11.00am

The Equality Authority, in partnership with Pavee Point and the Health Service Executive, are hosting a round table discussion on the **Application of Equality and Traveller-Proofing in Health Policy and Practice**. This round table will target key players from Traveller organisations and the Health Service Executive.

Venue: Equality Authority **Time:** 1.00pm – 2.45pm.

Launch of **Second Implementation Report** on Task Force on Travellers by Minister Frank Fahey T.D.

Venue: Buswells Hotel **Time:** 3.00pm

Thursday 8th December

Theme for Day: Women

Launch of Brochures **Challenging Misconceptions of Violence against Women from Minority Ethnic Groups, including Travellers, in Ireland** by Melanie Verwoerd (Former South African Ambassador to Ireland) and **Traveller Myths** leaflet by Phillip Watt Director NCCRI

Venue: NCCRI Floor 3, Jervis House, Jervis Street, Dublin **Time:** 11.00am

Galway

The Primary Health Care Programme at the Galway Traveller Support Group is launching two mental health videos entitled, **"Am I Stressed"** and **"Am I Depressed"**.

Venue: Menlo Park Hotel Galway **Venue:** 10.30am - 1.00pm

Friday 9th December

Theme for Day: Culture

Pavee Point 20th Anniversary Conference opened by President Mary McAleese

Venue: Clontarf Castle **Time:** 10.30am

Launch of Music CD ***Travellers and Fellow Travellers, Keepers of the Flame***

Venue: Teachers Club **Time:** 8.00pm Followed by:

Traveller Concert, Finbar Furey, Mickey Dunne, Mary Frances Keenan and others.

Venue: Teachers Club **Time:** 9.00pm



Background

Traveller Focus Week is organised by the three National Traveller Organisations, the Irish Traveller Movement, the National Traveller Women's Forum and Pavee Point Travellers Centre. In 2005 Pavee Point Travellers Centre is the designated lead organisation.

The theme of the week this year is RECOGNITION. This theme was chosen as it is one of the key objectives of the National Action Plan Against Racism (Recognition and awareness of Diversity) and addresses one of the key issues concerning Travellers status in Irish society and it builds on the work of Traveller organisations seeking to have Travellers recognised as a minority ethnic group.

Objectives of Traveller Focus Week

- ◆ To develop Travellers pride in their Irish identity and cultural background
- ◆ To develop awareness and promote an understanding of Travellers position in Irish society
- ◆ To build relationships with the Irish Media
- ◆ To highlight Travellers contribution to Irish society

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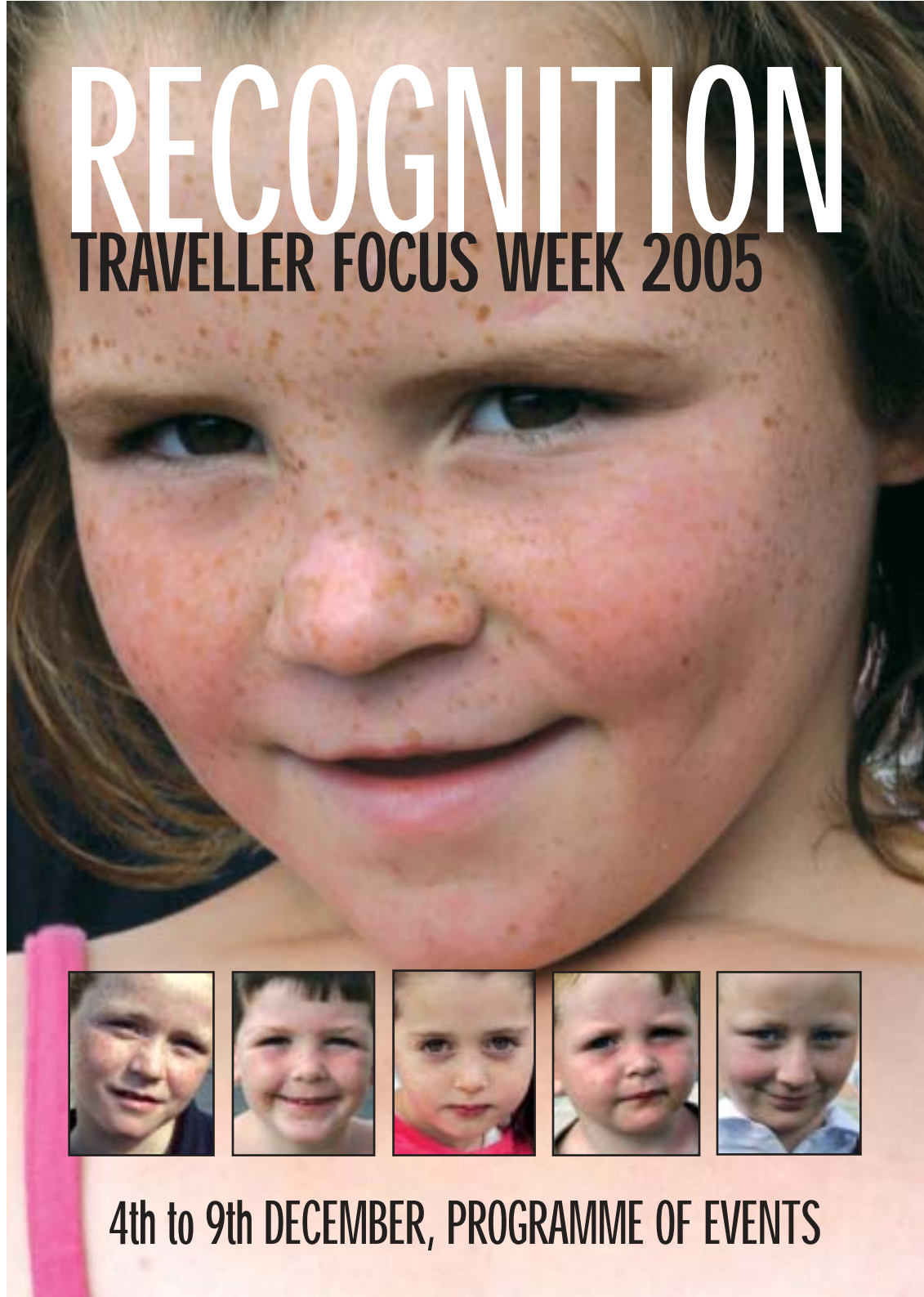
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