10 ways to get the most out of your EPLO membership

1. Make sure to receive information about important EU funding opportunities by signing up to receive updates from EPLO on EU calls for proposals.

2. Gain more in-depth insight and analysis into the EU and peacebuilding by signing up to one or more EPLO working group\(^1\) mailing lists.

3. Improve your advocacy skills by participating in a CSDN training seminar on how to advocate towards the EU on peacebuilding issues.

4. Contact the EPLO secretariat to receive information on a specific contact person at an EU institution or to get an update on a specific EU policy process.

5. Decentralise and spread knowledge about the EU in your organisation by having new staff participate in an 'Introduction to EPLO’ session.

6. Share your latest research with colleagues in Brussels by asking EPLO if it can host a Brown Bag Lunch event.

7. Share information about job opportunities, publications or events by asking EPLO to advertise them on its website and in its internal newsletter.

8. Participate in EPLO’s annual General Assembly and/or Directors meetings to discuss issues of collective action and take stock of peacebuilding and the EU.

9. Suggest ideas for dialogue meetings between civil society peacebuilding organisations and EU policy-makers which could be considered for CSDN meetings.

10. Bring an EU angle to one of your seminars or meetings outside of Brussels by asking an EPLO staff to participate on your panel.

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\(^1\) EPLO’s policy work is led by four working groups (EU Institutions and Policies; Funding for Peacebuilding; Peace, Development and Security; Gender, Peace and Security) and four ad-hoc working groups (EU-Africa Relations, EU-MENA Relations, EU Support to Peace Processes, Implications of Brexit). To sign up for a working group mailing list, please contact the responsible Policy Officer mentioned on the respective working group page.