

Who We Are

The **European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO)** is the independent civil society platform of European NGOs, NGO networks, and think tanks which are committed to peacebuilding and the prevention of violent conflict.

EPLO was founded in 2001 by 16 member organisations.

Our Mission Statement

EPLO's mission is to influence European policy-makers to take a more active and effective approach in securing peace and nonviolent forms of conflict resolution in all regions of the world.

Our Policy Objectives

1. To ensure that conflict prevention and peacebuilding are prominent within the policies and structures of EU external affairs
2. To secure increased resources for conflict prevention and peacebuilding
3. To integrate peacebuilding into EU development policy, programmes and approaches
4. To strengthen the implementation of a gender-sensitive approach in EU policy and practice which enables the EU to be more inclusive and effective in promoting peace
5. To promote peacebuilding in EU response to specific conflicts

Definition of Peacebuilding

Peacebuilding is a long-term process aimed at preventing the outbreak, recurrence or continuation of violent conflict.

Possible examples of peacebuilding activities include:

- Early warning
- Mediation and dialogue
- Crisis management
- Transitional justice and reconciliation
- Conflict-sensitive development
- Institution-building and reform

Peacebuilding draws on the concept of human security (i.e. the security of people).

Our Activities

We aim to realise our mission by channelling civil society analysis into EU policy-making. Our activities include:

- Analysis of EU policies
- Joint advocacy work (position papers, statements etc.)
- Facilitating dialogue between civil society peacebuilding organisations and EU policy-makers

Our Activities (continued)

Civil Society Dialogue Network (CSDN)

The CSDN is a three-year project co-financed by the EU (Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace) and aimed at facilitating dialogue on peacebuilding between civil society and EU policy-makers.

It is managed by EPLO in co-operation with the European Commission and the European External Action Service.

www.eplo.org/activities/ongoing-projects/civil-society-dialogue-network/

Preventing and Responding to Conflict: Developing EU Civilian Capabilities for Sustainable Peace (EU-CIVCAP)

EU-CIVCAP is a three-year project funded under the EU's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme and aimed at providing a comprehensive, comparative and multidisciplinary analysis of EU civilian capabilities for external conflict prevention and peacebuilding in order to identify existing shortfalls.

EPLO is one of the twelve academic, institutional and NGO partners in the EU-CIVCAP consortium.

www.eplo.org/activities/ongoing-projects/eu-civcap/

Our Member Organisations

Berghof Foundation
www.berghof-foundation.org

Budapest Centre for Mass
Atrocities Prevention
www.genocideprevention.eu

Catholic Organization for
Relief and Development Aid
(Cordaid)
www.cordaid.org

Centre for Humanitarian
Dialogue (HD Centre)
www.hdcentre.org

Community of Sant'Egidio
www.santegidio.org

Conciliation Resources
www.c-r.org

Concordis International
concordis.international

Crisis Management Initiative
www.cmi.fi

Democratic Progress Institute
www.democraticprogress.org

ESSEC IRENÉ
irene.essec.edu

European Institute of Peace
www.eip.org

Global Partnership for the
Prevention of Armed Conflict
www.gppac.net

Guerrand-Hermès Foundation
for Peace
www.ghfp.org

Institute for Integrated
Transitions
www.ifit-transitions.org

International Alert
www.international-alert.org

International Center for
Transitional Justice
www.ictj.org

International Crisis Group
www.crisisgroup.org

Interpeace
www.interpeace.org

Kosovar Center for Security
Studies
www.qkss.org

Kvinna till Kvinna
www.kvinnatillkvinna.org

Life & Peace Institute
www.life-peace.org

Nansen Dialogue Network
www.nansen-dialogue.net

Nonviolent Peaceforce
www.nonviolentpeaceforce.org

Oxfam International
www.oxfam.org

Partners Bulgaria
www.partnersbg.org

Pax Christi International
www.paxchristi.net

Quaker Council for
European Affairs
www.qcea.org

RCN Justice et Démocratie
www.rcn-ong.be

Saferworld
www.saferworld.org.uk

Search for Common Ground
www.sfcg.org

swisspeace
www.swisspeace.ch

Wider Security Network
(WISE)
www.widersecurity.fi

World Vision International
www.wvi.org



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