

Civil Society Dialogue Network Funding Instruments Meeting

Understanding OPSYS and its implications for the management of Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP) grants

Tuesday 19 March 2019 (14.00-17.00)

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CONCEPT NOTE

Background

The European Commission (EC) is in the process of rolling out its new system for the management and monitoring of EU actions: [OPSYS](#).

OPSYS is 'the new one-stop shop for the effective and efficient management of the entire EU external relations portfolio of projects and programmes (actions) throughout the project cycle'.

As part of the ongoing roll-out, the EC is organising a number of briefings for OPSYS users (i.e. EC, partner countries and implementing partners). In this context, it has asked the European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO) to organise a small-scale Civil Society Dialogue Network (CSDN) Funding Instruments Meeting (FIM) on OPSYS and its implications for the management of grants which are provided to civil society actors through the Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP).

Objective

The overall objective of this meeting is to enable representatives of international non-governmental organisations (INGOs) to gain a better understanding of OPSYS and its implications for the future management of IcSP grants.

Participants

The meeting will bring together 30-40 participants, including INGO representatives and officials from the EC.

Format

Single session meeting consisting of presentations on OPSYS and [IcSP indicators](#).

AGENDA

12.30 – 13.00	Registration of participants
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.15	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ben Moore – European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO)• Giovanni Squadrito – Unit for the Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (FPI 2), Service for Foreign Policy Instruments, European Commission (EC)
14.15 – 16.45	Presentation on OPSYS and its implications for the management of Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP) grants <p>Presenters: Véronique Lena – Unit for Information Technology and Business Processes, Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DEVCO R4), EC</p> <p>Contributors: FPI 1 (Unit for Finance, Relations with other Institutions) and FPI 2</p> <p>Moderator: Ben Moore – EPLO</p> <p>(NB/ There will be a short coffee break during the session)</p>
16.45 – 17.00	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Giovanni Squadrito – FPI 2, EC• Ben Moore – EPLO

Civil Society Dialogue Network

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