



# Civil Society Dialogue Network<sup>1</sup>

## Training Seminar on Peacebuilding Advocacy towards the EU

3-4 March 2016 (9.00 – 17.00)  
Best Western Park Hotel, Avenue de l'Yser, 21, Brussels

### PROGRAMME

#### Thursday 3 March 2016 (Day 1)

09.00	<p>Welcome and objectives of the training seminar: <b>Sanne Tielemans</b>, Conciliation Resources and member of the EPLO Steering Committee</p> <p>Open question session on the EU and the Training Seminar</p> <p>Basic facts about the EU institutions and peacebuilding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• European Council, the Council of the EU and the MS: <b>Nabila Habbida</b>, EPLO</li><li>• European Commission: <b>Sébastien Babaud</b>, Saferworld</li><li>• European External Action Service (EEAS): <b>Anna Penfrat</b>, EPLO</li><li>• European Parliament: <b>Nicolas Rougy</b>, Interpeace</li></ul> <p><i>*There will be a morning coffee break</i></p>
13.00	Lunch
13.45	<p>How the EU operates in conflict-affected countries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Andrew Sherriff</b>, European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM)</li></ul>
15.15	<p>Influencing the EU institutions: Case studies of past advocacy strategies (Part 1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The EU and Zimbabwe, <b>Chiara Biscaldi</b>, International Crisis Group</li><li>• The EU and conflict minerals, <b>Frédéric Triest</b>, European Network for Central Africa (EurAc)</li></ul>
17.00	<p>Feedback and close of the day</p> <p><i>*There will be an afternoon coffee break</i></p>
From 18.30	Group dinner (optional)

<sup>1</sup> More information on this project can be found on the EPLO website: <http://www.eplo.org/civil-society-dialogue-network.html>



### Friday 4 March 2016 (Day 2)

09.00	Reflection on the first day
09.30	Discussion with EU officials on peacebuilding and the EU institutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Terri Beswick</b>, Advisor, Conflict Prevention, Peace Building and Mediation Instruments Division, EEAS</li><li>• <b>Marc Fiedrich</b>, Team Leader, Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace &amp; Foreign Policy Regulatory Instruments, Foreign Policy Instruments, European Commission</li><li>• <b>Gerrard Quille</b>, Head of the European Parliamentary Mediation Support Service, European Parliament</li></ul>
11.30	Influencing the EU institutions: Case studies of past advocacy strategies (Part 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The EU Multiannual Financial Framework 2014-2020, <b>Ben Moore</b>, EPLO</li></ul> <p><i>*There will be a morning coffee break</i></p>
12.30	Lunch
13.30	Group exercise: Devising an advocacy strategy
	Analysis of advocacy strategies
17.00	Wrap-up and closing of the training
	<p><i>*There will be an afternoon coffee break</i></p>

#### The Civil Society Dialogue Network

The Civil Society Dialogue Network (CSDN) is a mechanism for dialogue between civil society and EU policy-makers on issues related to peace and conflict. It is co-financed by the European Union (Instrument for Stability). It is managed by the European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO), a civil society network, in co-operation with the European Commission (EC) and the European External Action Service (EEAS). The second phase of the CSDN will last from 2014 to 2016. For more information, please visit the [EPLO website](#).