



Civil Society Dialogue Network

Training Seminar on Peacebuilding Advocacy towards the EU

20-21 June 2019
Best Western Park Hotel, Avenue de l'Yser, 21, Brussels

PROGRAMME

Thursday 20 June 2019 (Day 1)

8.45 – 9.00	Registration
9.00 – 9.45	Welcome and introductions
9.45 – 10.45	<p>Opening session: Setting the scene: Manoeuvring the EU bubble</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How does the EU see peace and security? – Lorenzo Angelini, EPLO• Why is it important to take differences between institutions into account? – Ben Moore, EPLO• Are there differences between Member States' points of view and why is this important? – Anna Penfrat, EPLO• What are the other voices in EU external action? – Lorenzo Conti, EPLO
10.45 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 12.45	<p>Who is 'the EU'?</p> <p>Group exercise on the EU institutions and peacebuilding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member States• European Commission• European External Action Service• European Parliament
12.45 – 13.45	Lunch
13.45 – 15.15	<p>Building advocacy from information: Parallel discussions on EU processes on geographic and thematic issues</p> <p><u>First session:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Group 1: Karolina Stasiak, Deputy Head of Division, Africa.3 (West Africa), European External Action Service• Group 2: Giovanni Cremonini, Desk Officer - Armenia, European External Action Service

	<p><u>Second session:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group A: Charlotte Isaksson, Senior Gender Expert to European External Action Service Principal Advisor on Gender and UNSCR 1325 • Group B: Stijn Houben, Policy Officer, Human Rights, European External Action Service
15.15 – 15.30	Coffee break
15.30 – 16.15	Working group session
16.15 – 16.30	Feedback and close of the day
From 18.30	Group dinner (optional)

Friday 21 June 2019 (Day 2)

9.00 – 9.15	Registration and coffee
09.15 – 9.30	Reflection on the first day
09.30 – 10.45	<p>Advocacy tips from inside the institutions: Discussion with EU officials on peacebuilding and the EU institutions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sébastien Babaud – Programme Manager, Foreign Policy Instruments, European Commission • Jan Reinder Rosing - Policy Officer, Integrated Approach for Security and Peace, Conflict Prevention and Mediation Support, European External Action Service • Tobias Heider, Advisor on Security and Defence, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance, European Parliament
10.45 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 12.15	<p>Influencing the EU institutions: Learning from best practices and lessons learnt from past and ongoing advocacy strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The EU and Syria, Julien Vaissier, Oxfam • The EU Multiannual Financial Framework post-2020, Ben Moore, EPLO • QCEA's advocacy towards the EU, Olivia Caeymaex, Peace Programme Lead, Quaker Council for European Affairs
12.15 – 12.30	Introduction to the practical exercise

12.30 – 13.30	Lunch
13.30 – 15.30	From theory to practice: developing a personal EU advocacy plan
15.30 – 15.45	Coffee break
15.45 – 16.30	Feedback and discussion on advocacy plans
16.30 – 17.00	Wrap-up and closing of the training seminar

The Civil Society Dialogue Network

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