



Civil Society Dialogue Network Funding Instruments Meeting

Neighbourhood Development and International Cooperation Instrument Thematic Programme on 'Peace, Stability and Conflict Prevention'

Informal consultation on the Mid-term Review of the Multiannual Indicative Programme 2021-2027

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Informal consultation on the Annual Action Programme 2024

7 & 8 September 2023

Sofitel Brussels Europe, Place Jourdan 1, Brussels, Belgium

& Online

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CONCEPT NOTE

Background

The European External Action Service's (EEAS) Managing Directorate for Peace, Security and Defense and the European Commission's (EC) Service for Foreign Policy Instruments (FPI) are currently undertaking the Mid-term Review (MTR) of the [Multiannual Indicative Programme \(MIP\) 2021-2027 of the Neighbourhood Development and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe \(NDICI-GE\) Thematic Programme on 'Peace, Stability and Conflict Prevention' \(TP on PS&CP\)](#). The MIP for the TP on PS&CP is structured along the two areas of intervention established by the NDICI-GE regulation, namely a) assistance for conflict prevention, peacebuilding and crisis preparedness; and b) addressing global, trans-regional and emerging threats (Annex 1). With a financial allocation of € 908 million (+/- 130 million/year), the MIP for the TP on PS&CP complements national and regional programmes. The objective of the MTR process is to assess the MIP's relevance against the evolution of the global peace and security landscape and progress achieved in meeting the objectives of the MIP, and, if needed, to revise the priority areas and related sectors of intervention.

In addition, FPI and EEAS are currently preparing the Annual Action Programme (AAP) 2024 for the NDICI-GE TP on PS&CP.

In this context, they have asked the European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO) to organise a [Civil Society Dialogue Network \(CSDN\) Funding Instruments Meeting \(FIM\)](#) in order to gather civil society input into these two processes.

Objectives

The overall objective of this meeting is twofold:

- 1) To gather input from representatives of civil society organisations (CSOs) and other actors in order to contribute to the MTR of the MIP 2021-2027 for the NDICI-GE TP on PS&CP
- 2) To gather input from representatives of CSOs and other actors in order to contribute to reflections on the drafting of the AAP 2024 for the NDICI-GE TP on PS&CP

It will also provide CSO representatives and other actors with opportunities to ask questions about the policy priorities and implementation of the NDICI-GE TP on PS&CP to the EEAS and EC officials who are responsible for it.

Format

The meeting will take place over two days in person and online. The meeting will consist of a combination of plenary sessions and small group discussions.

For online participants, kindly use the following link to connect to the meeting (the same link will be used for Day 1 and Day 2):

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Participants

The meeting will bring together up to 100 participants, including representatives of CSOs, international organisations and EU Member States' (MS) implementing agencies, and EU officials, namely EEAS, FPI as well as from the Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA) and the Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR)).

Language

The meeting will be held in English.

Outputs

Minutes of the meeting will be shared with all participants and published on the EPLO website.

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 contributing to Stability and Peace). 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 fourth phase of the CSDN will last from 2020 to 2023. For more information, please visit the [EPLO website](#).

DRAFT AGENDA

Day 1 - Thursday 7 September

Informal consultation on the MTR of the MIP

10.00 – 10.30	Registration and welcome tea/coffee
10.30 – 10.45	Introductory Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sonya Reines-Djivanides – Executive Director, European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO)• Katariina Leinonen – Acting Head of Division, Peace, Partnerships and Crisis Management, Integrated Approach for Peace and Security (PCM.1), European External Action Service (EEAS)• Gaëlle Nizery – Team Leader, Rapid Response Africa & Middle East – Service for Foreign Policy Instruments (FPI.2), European Commission (EC)
10.45 – 12.00	Session 1: Exchange of views on the Multiannual Indicative Programme 2021-2027, including state of play and broader context <p><i>Presentation by:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Melis Sandrine Alguadis – Policy Officer, PCM.1, EEAS• Gaëlle Nizery – Team Leader, FPI.2, EC• Christine Mardirossian – Policy Officer, Security and Defence Policy, Strategy, Coordination and Policy (SECDEFPOL.1), EEAS <p>Q & A</p> <p><i>Moderator: EPLO</i></p>
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch
13.00 – 14.30	Session 2: Small group discussions based on guiding questions to assess relevance and progress of the MIP <p>Small group A <i>Moderator: EPLO</i></p> <p>Small group B <i>Moderator: EPLO</i></p> <p>Small group C <i>Moderator: EPLO</i></p> <p>Small group D (online only) <i>Moderator: EPLO</i></p>
14.30 – 15.00	Coffee break
15.00 – 15.45	Session 2 – continued <p>Report back from small group discussions and plenary exchange on possible identified recommendations for the MTR</p> <p><i>Moderator: EPLO</i></p>

15.45 – 16.00	Wrap up
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Day 2 – Friday 8 September
Informal consultation on the AAP 2024

09.00 – 09.15	Registration and welcome tea/coffee
09.15 – 09.30	Introductory Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sonya Reines-Djivanides – Executive Director, EPLO • Jesper Pedersen – Head of Unit, Rapid Response Africa & Middle East – Service for Foreign Policy Instruments (FPI.2), EC • Melis Sandrine Alguadis – Policy Officer, PCM.1, EEAS
09.30 – 11.00	Session 1: State of play of the Annual Action Programmes (AAPs) 2023 and initial thoughts on the AAPs 2024 Presentation by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesper Pedersen – Head of Unit, FPI.2, EC Q&A <i>Moderator: EPLO</i>
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee break
11.30 – 13.00	Session 2: Small group discussions on possible priority areas for AAP 2024 Small group 1: Resilience to disinformation: the role of CSOs <i>Moderator: EPLO</i> Small group 2: Trauma healing as part of transitional justice efforts <i>Moderator: EPLO</i> Small group 3: Knowledge management and learning in the peacebuilding and security sectors: what is the current state of play <i>Moderator: EPLO</i> Small group 4: Mine action governance: what type of expertise is required <i>Moderator: EPLO</i>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.45	Session 2 – continued Feedback from small group discussions <i>Moderator: EPLO</i>
14.45 – 15.15	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Melis Sandrine Alguadis – Policy Officer, PCM.1, EEAS • Gaëlle Nizery – Team Leader, FPI.2, EC • Sonya Reines-Djivanides – Executive Director, EPLO