



Civil Society Dialogue Network NGO Round-table Meeting

The EU and Peacebuilding

Tuesday 3 May 2022 (10.00 – 13.30)

Sala Anziani, Palazzo d'Accursio, Piazza Maggiore, 6, Bologna, Italy

CONCEPT NOTE

The Agency for Peacebuilding (AP) and the European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO) are co-organising a Civil Society Dialogue Network (CSDN) NGO Round-table Meeting (RTM) on the EU and peacebuilding on Tuesday 3 May in Bologna, Italy.

Objective

The overall objective of this CSDN NGO RTM is to enable representatives of Italian-based NGOs to increase their knowledge of EU peacebuilding policies and practices, and learn about NGO advocacy on them. More specifically, it will provide them with:

- information about key peacebuilding actors in the EU institutions
- information about recent policy developments related to peacebuilding and conflict prevention at the EU level
- practical advice for engaging in advocacy on peacebuilding towards the EU

Methodology

The NGO RTM will consist of a series of presentations by members of the EPLO office team and (possibly) a representative of an EPLO member organisation followed by interactive discussions with participants.

Participants/Target audience

The NGO RTM is open to representatives from Italian-based NGOs.

Language

English

Lunch will be provided for all participants and accommodation and travel costs will be covered for participants who are not based in Bologna.

DRAFT AGENDA

10.00 – 10.30	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome by Agency for Peacebuilding and European Peacebuilding Liaison Office• Presentation of the Civil Society Dialogue Network NGO Round-table Meeting• Participant introductions
10.30 – 11.25	Session 1: Key EU peacebuilding actors <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by EPLO followed by interactive discussion with participants
11.25 – 11.50	Coffee break and networking
11.50 – 12.40	Session 2: Recent and upcoming policy developments related to peacebuilding and conflict prevention at the EU level <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by EPLO followed by interactive discussion with participants
12.40 – 13.25	Session 3: Practical example of peacebuilding advocacy towards the EU <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by EPLO or EPLO member organisation followed by interactive discussion with participants
13.25 – 13.30	Wrap up
13.30	Lunch

The Round-table meeting is part of the **Bologna Peacebuilding Forum 2022**.

In the afternoon of the **3rd May at (15.30-17.30)** in Sala Anziani of Palazzo d'Accursio there will be the launch of AP's study on Italy and Peacebuilding with representatives from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

On the **4th May (9.30-17.30)** there will be the main conference of the Forum dedicated to "Re-imagining Conflict Prevention". The event will be hosted by Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS Europe), Via Beniamino Andreatta 3, Bologna.

Please, find more information here: <https://www.peacebuilding.eu/2022-programme/>

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](#).