

AGENDA

Yerevan, Armenia
November 10-11, 2011
ANI Plaza hotel

November 10, Thursday

09:30 – 10:00 **Registration**

10:00 – 11:00 **Welcoming remarks:**

Mr. Tevan Poghosyan

Executive Director, International Center for Human Development

Mr. Matthias Jobelius

Regional Director for South Caucasus, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Germany

H.E. Edward Nalbandian

Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

H.E. Mr. Raul de Luzenberger,

Head of the European Union Delegation to Armenia

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee break / Media time**

11:30 – 13:00 **Session One: Interagency Cooperation in Armenia within Scope of Reforms**

Moderator:

Mr. Onno Simons

First Counsellor, European Union Delegation to Armenia

Speakers:

Mr. Garegin MELKONYAN

Deputy Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia

Mr. Zohrab Mnatsakanyan

Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

Mr. Antti Hartikainen

Team Leader, EU Advisory Group to Armenia

Panel discussions

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 15:30 **Session Two: Justice, Liberty & Security: What Parties Need and Expect from Each Other?**

Moderator:

Mr. Jeff Lovit

Executive Director, PASOS, Czech Republic

Speakers:

Mr. Aram Orbelyan,

Deputy Minister of Justice of the Republic of Armenia

Mr. David Kral

Director, EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy, Czech Republic

Mr. Artak Zakaryan

Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia

Mr. Alex Sardar,

Chief of Party, Counterpart International Armenia

Panel discussions

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee break

16:00 – 17:30

Session Three: Open Border and Free Trade: Is it the End, or an Incentive for Regional Cooperation?

Moderator:

Dr. Ashot Khurshudyan

*Head of Training and Education Unit,
International Center for Human Development*

Speakers:

Mr. Tengiz Shergelashvili,

European Initiative - Liberal Academy Tbilisi, Georgia

Ms. Gökçe Perçinoğlu,

Research Fellow, TESEV, Turkey

Mr. Simon Schmidt

Research Fellow, International Center for Human Development

Panel discussions

19:00 – 21:30

Dinner

November 11, Friday

10:00 – 11:30

Session Four: The Role of Civil Society in European Integration: What are the formats and mechanisms enhancing its Input?

Moderator:

Mr. Gie Meeuwis

Lecturer, Fontys University for Applied Science in Journalism

Speakers:

Mr. Guram Chakhvadze

Member of the Georgian Parliament, Georgia

Mr. Arsen Stepanyan

Civil Society Program Director, Counterpart International Armenia

Mrs. Antonella Valmorbida

*Co-Chair of SC EaP CSF,
Director, Association of the Local Democracy Agencies*

Mr. Vache Qalashyan

President of the Union of Armenian Government Employees

Panel discussions

11:30 – 12:00

Coffee break

12:00 – 13:30

Session Five: Suffrage as a Test of the European Conduct: How to Bridge the Gap?

Moderator:

Dr. Alexander Iskandaryan,

Director, Caucasus Institute

Speakers:

Mr. Douglas Wake

First deputy director, ODIHR

Mr. Stepan Safaryan
Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia

Mr. Eduardo Lorenzo Ochoa
*Long term Policy Advisor for Strengthening Democratic Structures,
EU Advisory Group to the Republic of Armenia*

Dr. Artur Ghazinyan
Director, Centre for European Studies, YSU

Panel discussions

13:30 – 14:30

Lunch

Guest Speaker:

Mr. Vahan Kololian
Mosaic Institute, Canada

14:30 - 16:00

Session Six: Non-recognized entities: engagement versus containment. How to avoid white spots in the body of Europe?
(The session is sponsored by ICHD)

Moderator:

Mr. Richard Giragosyan
The Regional Studies Center

Speakers:

Mr. Philippe Lefort,
*Special Representative of the EU in the South Caucasus
VIDEO CONNECTION*

Ms. Zhanna Krikorova
Director, International Cooperation Center, NKR

Ms. Roxana Cristescu
*Project Manager, Mediation, Black Sea & Central Asia,
Crisis Management Initiative, Belgium*

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee break

16:30 – 17:30

Session Seven: Challenges and Opportunities for the Eastern Partnership: How to Make the Existing Political Will for Change Work?

Moderator:

Mr. Matthias Jobelius
Regional Director for South Caucasus, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Germany

Speaker:

Mr. Tigran Sargsyan
Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia

Mr. Kristian Vigenin
Co-Chairman, Euronest

Panel discussions

17:30 - 18:00

Concluding remarks by Mr. Tevan Poghosyan, ICHD

19:00 – 21:30

Dinner