

AGENDA

CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS (CSOS) AND HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE CONTEXT OF LIFELONG LEARNING

HYBRID MEETING

18 OCTOBER 2022, 09.00 CEST

SUMMARY

In 2020-2021, the ETF carried out a study on the role of Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) as crucial actors in human capital development (HCD) and lifelong learning (LLL), in 6 countries. By exploring the CSOs scope of work, whom they address and with whom they cooperate in the field of non-formal and informal learning and support to employment, the study fostered the understanding of the patterns of their engagement in HCD and LLL. The study highlighted the CSOs' resilience notably their aptitude to learn and grow in disruptive situations such as pandemics.

The ETF also assessed the tools that CSOs and CSOs networks use to achieve impact. Among the most effective tools there were: participatory methods, advocacy, learning from practice to influence policymaking, analysis of individuals' needs, developing people's key competencies, knowledge of specific contexts, collecting evidence about the impact of public policies.

Gathering over 40 European networks in education and training, the Lifelong Learning Platform is the widest network of EU CSOs engaged in formal, non-formal and informal learning. Currently these networks represent more than 50 000 educational institutions and associations covering all sectors of formal, non-formal and informal learning. Their members reach out to several millions of beneficiaries.

Recognising the critical advantage of associating and networking in order to strengthen the effective contribution of civil society to the design and implementation of policies in the field of formal, non-formal, informal education and training that enable people's access no matter their age, status, geographical location, the ETF and LLLP are organising this workshop in cooperation.

Objective: Building on the knowledge and experience of the ETF, CSOs international networks and individual CSOs, the workshop aims to:

- discuss what is currently done and can be recommended in future to recognise CSOs as relevant actors in LLL and LLL-related policy processes, at country and international level;
- identify feasible approaches to CSOs networking, as one means to engage in LLL and develop people's human capital. On its part, the ETF will open for Governance, Learning, Action and Dialogue (GLAD) cooperation with CSOs and CSOs networks.

Participants: the ETF-LLLP joint workshop is open to the contributions of CSOs from partner countries and EU-wide networks including the EAEA and Solidar Foundation, as well as governmental representatives and EU institutions.

Venue: The meeting will take place in **presence at the ETF in Turin** and **online**. Interpretation in English, French and Russian will be provided.

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Timing in CEST	Content
09:00 – 9:30	<p>Welcome and setting the scene</p> <p><i>Xavier Matheu de Cortada, Director ad interim of the European Training Foundation (ETF)</i> <i>Andrea Lapegna, Deputy Director of the Lifelong Learning Platform - European Civil Society for Education</i> <i>Hugues Moussy, Head of the System Performance and Assessment Unit, ETF</i></p>
9:30 – 11:00	<p>Session 1: The role of Civil Society Organisations in Human Capital Development and Lifelong Learning: strengths and challenges <i>Chair: Hugues Moussy, ETF</i></p> <p>Key findings of the ETF study on CSOs in six countries, <i>Siria Taurelli, Coordinator governance and quality assurance, ETF</i></p> <p>Panel discussion with CSOs, CSOs agencies and networks and international organisations: <i>Mr Kananaj, Executive Director of the Agency for Support to CSOs, Albania</i> <i>Ms Gina Ebner, Secretary General of the European Association for the Education of Adults</i> <i>Mr Andrea Lapegna, Deputy Director of the Lifelong Learning Platform- Civil Society for Education</i> <i>Mr Mykyta Andreev, President of the Association of Adult Education, Ukraine</i> <i>Ms Nona Zicherman, Head of Office Unicef Kosovo*</i></p> <p>Q&A interaction with participants onsite and online</p>

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

11:00 –11:30	Tea/coffee break
11:30 –12:50	<p>Session 2: Working Groups: lessons we are learning as actors in human capital development and lifelong learning and practice for the future</p> <p>WG 1: CSOs' impact on processes of lifelong learning policy design: added value and challenges <i>Chair/moderator: Margareta Nikolovska, ETF</i></p> <p>WG 2: CSOs in implementation as lifelong learning providers: added value and challenges <i>Chair/moderator: Nadezda Solodjankina, ETF</i></p> <p>WG 3: CSOs and measuring the impact: citizens' role to assess policy effectiveness <i>Chair/moderator: Andrea Lapegna, LLLP</i></p> <p>WG 4 online (with interpretation) addresses the same questions as WG 1 and WG 2: CSOs in policy design and in implementation <i>Chair/moderator: Mr Mykyta Andreev, Association of Adult Education, Ukraine</i></p> <p>WG 5 online (in English) addresses the same questions as WG 3: CSOs and measuring the impact of policies <i>Chair/moderator: Gina Ebner, EAEA</i></p>
12:50 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00	<p>Session 3: Tools and instruments used by the CSOs, CSOs networks and CSOs agencies to achieve impact in Human Capital Development and Lifelong Learning</p> <p>Presentation of typology, <i>Siria Taurelli, ETF</i></p> <p>Discussants: <i>Zarko Sunderic, Director, Civil Society Center for Social Policy, Serbia</i> <i>Sreten Koceski, Executive Director, CDI, North Macedonia</i></p> <p>Q&A interaction with participants onsite and online</p>
15:00 - 15:10	Tea/coffee break
15:10 – 16:00	<p>Session 4: Planning the future</p> <p>Key conclusions from the onsite and online Working Groups: lessons from the experience and practices for the future</p> <p>The European Commission partnership with CSOs in education, training, lifelong learning <i>Simone Rave, Policy Officer, European Commission, Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations</i></p> <p>Wrap-up and conclusions</p>