

# EBRD Civil Society Programme at the Annual Meeting 2017

Agenda



## Tuesday, 9 May – Home for Cooperation

Markou Drakou 28, Nicosia

Open to all participants of the EBRD Annual Meeting and Business Forum

16.00 – 17.30

### Panel: The Role of Cypriot Civil Society in Promoting Economic Development for Reconciliation

Moderator: Mr Yiorgos Kakouris, Journalist, Politis newspaper

- Mr Leonidas Paschalides, Senior Manager, Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Mr Mustafa Erk, Member of the Executive Board, Turkish Cypriot Chamber of Commerce
- Mr Marios Missirlis, Cyprus Coordinator, Stelios Philanthropic Foundation
- Ms Selen Lermioglu, Capacity Development Expert, Civic Space
- Dr Costas Apostolides, Visiting Lecturer, University of Malta, Pax Cypria Cyprus Institute for Peace

Organised by the NGO Support Centre, this roundtable discussion will explore the role of Cypriot civil society in developing socio-economic relationships across the green line and how economic collaboration can pave the way towards longstanding peace. Participants of the panel will present the work of their organisations, highlighting different approaches to bi-communal cooperation that range from grassroots initiatives to private sector collaboration, and discuss the way forward for Cypriot civil society. The panel will be hosted at the symbolic Home for Cooperation (H4C), a unique site for civil society dialogue.

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## Wednesday, 10 May – Filoxenia Conference Centre

Thrakis 17, Nicosia

09.30 – 10.00 **Networking breakfast**

CSO Networking Area

### CSO Meeting Room 1

Closed session – open only to civil society participants

10.00 – 11.00

#### Town hall with EBRD President Suma Chakrabarti

Moderator: Biljana Radonjic Ker-Lindsay, Head of Civil Society Engagement, EBRD

- Pierre Heilbronn – Vice President, Policy and Partnerships, EBRD
- Alain Pilloux – Vice President, Banking, EBRD
- Alan Rousso – Managing Director, External Relations and Partnerships, EBRD
- Josué Tanaka – Managing Director, Operational Strategy and Planning, Energy Efficiency and Climate Change, EBRD
- Alistair Clark – Managing Director, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD

The meeting with the [EBRD President](#) and senior management will provide an opportunity for civil society representatives to discuss the Bank's strategic priorities, major policies and operations.

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### CSO Meeting Room 1 - Discussions open to all participants of the EBRD Annual Meeting and Business Forum

11.00 – 12.30

#### Panel: The Role of Civil Society in Promoting Transition Resilience

Moderator: Cristina Buzasu, Acting Principal Manager, Civil Society Engagement, EBRD

- Alan Rousso - Managing Director, External Relations and Partnerships, EBRD
- Joan Hoey - Regional Director, Europe, The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU)
- School of Public Policy research team, Central European University

The panel will look into the role of civil society in promoting transition resilience in the EBRD region. Transition is not a linear process and there have been setbacks and reversals along the way. A well-functioning market economy needs 'shock absorbers' that can ensure broad support for market institutions during a downturn. Civil society, operating in the space between the public and private sectors, can play an important part in this.

### CSO Meeting Room 2 - Working level sessions open only to civil society participants

11.00 – 13.00

#### EBRD Projects in Power & Energy Utilities

Moderator: Marianna Wiedenbeck, Associate Manager, Civil Society Engagement, EBRD

- Harry Boyd-Carpenter, Director, Head of Power and Energy Utilities, EBRD
- Aida Sitdikova, Head of Energy and Natural Resources in Russia, Caucasus and Central Asia, EBRD
- Alistair Clark, Managing Director, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Dariusz Prasek, Director, Operations, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Michaela Bergman, Director, Chief Social Counsellor, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Mikko Venermo, Associate Director, Lead Oversight Adviser, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD

An interactive discussion with EBRD management about EBRD's specific investment projects and related policy issues in the Power and Energy Utilities sector.

13.00 – 14.00

#### Networking lunch

All guests of the EBRD Annual Meeting, Business Forum and Civil Society Programme are invited to the networking lunch.

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### CSO Meeting Room 1 – Discussions open to all participants of the EBRD Annual Meeting and Business Forum

14.30 – 16.00

#### Panel: Civil Society and Green Cities

Moderator: Marianna Wiedenbeck, Associate Manager, Civil Society Engagement, EBRD

- Mattia Romani, Managing Director, Economics, Policy & Governance, EBRD
- Nigel Jollands, Associate Director, Policy & Climate Finance, EBRD
- Anuela Ristani, Chief of Staff, City of Tirana
- Dimitri Zenghelis, Co-Head Climate Policy, LSE
- Sorin Ionita, Director, Expert Forum
- Nicholas Stancioff, Co-founder, Latvian Baltic Energy Efficiency Fund

The discussion will focus on the role of civil society in promoting green economy practices in urban areas to overcome the challenges of low energy and resource efficiency in cities and broader climate change issues. The performance of green city parameters is positively linked to an active civil society. The panel will explore partnerships between municipalities, local businesses and CSOs to foster good governance, participatory urban agenda setting, and stakeholder monitoring of green performance and resource management.

### CSO Meeting Room 2 – Working level sessions open only to civil society participants

14.00 – 16.00

#### EBRD Projects in Natural Resources

Moderator: Cristina Buzasu, Acting Principal Manager, Civil Society Engagement, EBRD

- Nandita Parshad, Managing Director, Energy and Natural Resources, EBRD
- Eric Rasmussen, Director, Head of Natural Resources, EBRD
- Aida Sitdikova, Head of Energy and Natural Resources in Russia, Caucasus and Central Asia, EBRD
- Alistair Clark, Managing Director, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Dariusz Prasek, Director, Operations, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Michaela Bergman, Director, Chief Social Counsellor, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD

An interactive discussion with EBRD management about EBRD's specific investment projects and related policy issues in the Natural Resources sector.

18.00 onwards  
Kourion

#### Reception for all participants

All guests of the EBRD Annual Meeting, Business Forum and Civil Society Programme are invited to the networking reception.

Transportation to the Kourion Amphitheatre available from **16.30**

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## Thursday, 11 May – Filoxenia Conference Centre

09.00 – 09.30 **Networking breakfast**

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**CSO Meeting Room 1 – Discussions open to all participants of the EBRD Annual Meeting and Business Forum**

10.30 – 13.00

### World Café Roundtables

Facilitated by Biljana Radonjic Ker-Lindsay, Head of Civil Society Engagement, EBRD

- Economic inclusion strategy
- Legal transition
- Transition Impact Qualities and the Green economy transition (GET)
- Green cities
- Impact, measuring results and evaluation
- Public Information Policy
- Civil Society Capacity Enhancement Framework
  - Case study: Sustainable dairy farming in rural Ukraine

Different EBRD teams will be hosting roundtables and presenting recent EBRD initiatives for open discussions in an informal format.

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09.30 – 11.00

### EBRD Projects in Transport and Agribusiness

Moderator: Cristina Buzasu, Acting Principal Manager, Civil Society Engagement, EBRD

- Sue Barrett, Director, Head of Transport, EBRD
- Ekaterina Miroshnik, Head of Infrastructure in Russia and Central Asia, EBRD
- Alistair Clark, Managing Director, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Dariusz Prasek, Director, Operations, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Michaela Bergman, Director, Chief Social Counsellor, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD
- Mark Hughes, Associate Director, Environment and Sustainability, EBRD

An interactive discussion with EBRD management about EBRD's specific investment projects and related policy issues in the Transport and Agribusiness sectors.

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**11.00 – 11.30**  
Networking Area

**Coffee break**

**11.30 – 13.00**

**Accountability and the Project Complaint Mechanism (PCM)**

- Erica Bach, Project Complaint Mechanism Officer, EBRD
- Olga Vasiliev, PCM Adviser, EBRD

Closed bilateral discussions about ongoing PCM cases.

**13.00 – 14.00**

**Networking lunch**

All guests of the EBRD Annual Meeting, Business Forum and Civil Society Programme are invited to the farewell networking lunch.

**CSO Meeting Room 1: Closed session – open only to civil society participants**

**14.00 – 15.30**

**Meeting with EBRD Board of Directors**

Moderator: Biljana Radonjic Ker-Lindsay, Head of Civil Society Engagement, EBRD  
Chair: Raphael Bello, Board Director for France, Chair of the Board Steering Group, EBRD

This will be an opportunity for civil society representatives to interact with [EBRD Board Directors](#) and discuss issues of interest and concern regarding the Bank's policies and major investment operations.

**CSO Meeting Room 1: Closed session – open only to civil society participants**

**15.30 – 16.30**

**EBRD Strategic Directions and Policy Dialogue Initiatives**

Pierre Heilbronn, Vice President, Policy and Partnerships, EBRD

This will be an opportunity for civil society representatives to meet the EBRD's Vice President for Policy and Partnerships, discuss the EBRD's policy dialogue efforts and wrap up the Civil Society Programme.