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**4 July 2018, 15:00 – 18:00**  
***The Olive Tree Hotel, Kyrenia***

The 11<sup>th</sup> Civil Society Forum of Civic Space was held at Kyrenia on 4 July 2018 with 13 participants from 7 civil society organisation (CSOs). The Forum started with the welcoming speech of Marija Jancic-Amberg, Civic Space Team Leader and continued with the presentation of agenda topics and further development (*Please see Forum Agenda in Annex 1*)

## CIVIC SPACE PROJECT “PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE”

Marija Jancic-Amberg gave a presentation of Civic Space past, present and future activities. She summarized the planned activities of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase of Civic Space Project until September 2020.

Selen Yilmaz, capacity building expert, presented the re-launch of Grow Civic, and explained the differences between the first phase and second phase in i) budget amounts (maximum amount of support each request owner can get), ii) the 5000 EUR ceiling for partnership with EU CSOs, iii) the new online system from which the requests will be received.

Ebru Deniz Tekman, communication expert, presented the 3<sup>rd</sup> Open Door Festival. The topics covered were as follows:

- ✚ The 3<sup>rd</sup> Open Door Festival aims to increase awareness and visibility of CSO activities for the public benefit, promote voluntarism and facilitate networking between Nicosia based CSOs and those in other regions, for a stronger and inclusive civil society.
- ✚ 3<sup>rd</sup> Open Door Festival will consist of 2 types of activities:
  - Activities directly implemented by Civic Space: the CSO Fairs  
CSO Fairs will be coordinated by Civic Space in two locations in which the CSOs will be able to take part in with any activity of their choice. The dates and locations of the CSO Fairs are as follows: Nicosia CSO Fair - 15.09.2018 Saturday, 17:00-20:00; Famagusta CSO Fair - 13.10.2018 Saturday, 16:00-19:00
  - Activities directly implemented by CSOs  
Any activity that the CSO will choose to conduct within the Festival period, from 15<sup>th</sup> of September to 15<sup>th</sup> of October 2018. The activities can be an ongoing or periodical activity that is dedicated to the Festival and/or an activity designed specifically for the Festival.
- ✚ Civic Space will also provide a small budget support in the form of in-kind support for activities to be held during the festival. The support that will be provided for each activity is identified as minimum 50 EUR – maximum 300 EUR. All registered and unregistered citizens’ initiatives are eligible to apply to in-kind support for activities to be held during the Festival.
- ✚ Deadline for application to in-kind contribution is decided as 27<sup>th</sup> of July. The selection will be done by the CSO representatives of Civic Space Steering Committee and a balance will be sought in terms of activity thematic, region and activity-type.

- ✚ A closing event will be held at the end of the Festival, in which a short video including the recordings of activities held within the context of the Festival will be screened and the photos of the CSO Fairs and activities exhibited.

### INFO-SESSION: TOGETHER AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The second session of the Forum was dedicated to an information session on the guidelines and technical requirements for Together Against Trafficking in Human Beings Call for Proposals that has been launched recently. Charlotte Goyon, the European Commission Programme Manager explained the objectives, priorities, eligibility requirements and other important information regarding the Grant Scheme. The presentation continued with a questions and answers session.

### INTRODUCTION OF NEW CSO MEMBERS OF THE CIVIC SPACE STEERING COMMITTEE

The next session of the Forum was dedicated to the brief presentation of the new CSO representatives of the Civic Space Steering Committee. The presentation was made by the Team Leader, Marija Jancic-Amberg and then Damla Beton new member of the Steering Committee, introduced herself to the participants. She explained her ideas, visions and plans about her position as civil society representative. The 2<sup>nd</sup> new member, Ersun Aytaç was not able to attend the Forum.

## ANNEX I – Agenda

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**AGENDA**

- 14:30 - 15:00 Registration
- 15:00 - 15:45 Civic Space Project "Past, Present and Future"
- 15:45 - 16:15 Information Session: "Together Against Trafficking in Human Beings" Call for Proposals
- 16:15 - 16:30 Coffee Break
- 16:30 - 17:00 Introduction of the New Steering Committee CSO Members
- 17:00 - 17:30 Thematic Working Groups
- 17:30 - 17:45 Closure & Recommendations
- 17:45 - 18:00 Refreshment & Snacks

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