

14th Eastern Partnership Panel on Governance and Public Administration Reform

Eastern Partnership Platform 1 on Strengthening Institutions and Good Governance

15-16 March 2018 – Yerevan, Armenia

Venue: Marriott Hotel Yerevan 1 Amiryan street, Yerevan 0010, Armenia

AGENDA

15th March 2018

Chair: Mr. Nils Jansons, Deputy Head of Division for Eastern Partnership, Regional Cooperation & OSCE, European External Action Service

- 08:30 Arrival and registration
- 09:00-09:30 I. Opening remarks

H.E. Mr. Garen Nazarian, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

H.E. Mr. Piotr Antoni Świtalski, Ambassador, Head of the European Union Delegation to the Republic of Armenia

Mr. Vahe Jilavyan, Deputy Head of Government Staff of the Republic of Armenia

Mr. Manvel Badalyan, Chairman of Civil service Council of Republic of Armenia

09:30-10:30 **II. Activities for 2018 in the context of the Eastern Partnership 2020 Deliverables** - General review of implementation of the Work Programme 2014-17 and information on Platform 1 Work Programme 2018-2019 - Panel participants invited to discuss conclusions of the activities undertaken in each area and to outline objectives of planned activities in line with the 2020 deliverables.

10:30-11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00-12:15 III. Thematic focus: Strategic Planning Process

How to manage the strategic planning process?

Mr. Martins Krievins, Public Management and Policy Development Consultant

Ms. Irina Aghapishvili, Head of Analytical Department of Civil Service Bureau: Georgia's experience in Strategic Planning.

Mr. Aleksandr Khachaturyan, Executive Director of the Centre of Strategic Initiatives: how does CSI contribute to the strategic planning process?



13:45-14:45 IV. Thematic focus: Strategic Planning Process

Why does financing matter in the process?

Ms. Zuhra Pašić, Public Finance Management Consultant: the importance of planning and costing strategies – an overview from the Western Balkans experience

Ms. Larisa Harutyunyan, Head of Division for Coordination of Cooperation with Foreign Countries and International Organizations, International Cooperation Department of Ministry of Finance - "Public Finance Management Reforms in Armenia"

A joint report of Mr. Andriy Bega, Director General of the Directorate for Public Administration, Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and Ms. Liudmyla Rozhkova, Director of the Department of Budget Expenditures of Government Authorities, Ministry of Finance of Ukraine.

14:45-15:45	V. Thematic focus: Strategic Planning Process
	Why monitoring and reporting of the strategy matter?
	Mr. Milos Djindjic, Lead Researcher, WeBER project
	Mrs. Diana Ghazaryan, Assistant to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia
	Ms. Gvantsa Beselia, Chief Specialist, Civil Service Bureau of Georgia
	Mr. Abraham Artashesyan, Representative of the Civil Society Forum
15:45-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-16:45	VI. Thematic focus: Strategic Planning Process
	Useful guidance to manage the strategic planning and implementation process
	Mr. Peter Vagi, SIGMA Expert, Presentation of the Strategic Toolkit
	Discussion
16:45-17:05	V. e-Governance: Armenia on Digital Transformation Path 2030
	Mr.Sahag Mahrejian, Head of e-Governance Development Program of Digital Armenia Foundation
17:05 – 17:25	VI. AOB
	Closing of the meeting
17:40-19:00	Cultural visit to Matenadaran (Meeting in Marriott hotel lobby for the transfer to Matenadaran)
19:00-19:30	Dinner in "Megerian Carpet Armenia" Restaurant, Madoyan Gukas str.9,Yerevan (Meeting in Matenadaran for the transfer to the restaurant)



16th March 2018

Seminar on Public Administration Reform at Local and Regional Level Venue: Marriott Hotel Yerevan, 1 Amiryan street

9:30-10:00 Welcome speeches

Mr. Vache Terteryan, First Deputy Minister of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia.

Mr. Nils Jansons, Deputy Head of Division for Eastern Partnership, Regional Cooperation & OSCE, European External Action Service

Mr. Marek Janovsky, Head of Unit, Department of Policy Planning - Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

10:00-11:00 I. Decentralization of the state governance

Mr. Vache Terteryan, First Deputy Minister of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic Armenia: "Administrative reforms in Armenia"

Mr. Jakub Jaňura, Department for Strategic Development and Coordination of Public Administration - Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic: "Self-administration and state administration in the Czech Republic with a focus on municipalities"

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-12:30 II. Fight against corruption at a local and regional level

Ms. Mariam Galstyan, Head of the Anti-Corruption Unit of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia, on anti-corruption reforms in Armenia

Ms. Sona Ayvazyan, Executive Director of Transparency International Anti-corruption Center, the theme of presentation - Priority tasks for the government to build public trust toward anticorruption reforms

- 12:30-14:00 Lunch break
- 14:00-15:00 III. Dialogue with civil society reinforcing transparency and accountability of public administration in the local and regional context

Mr. Milos Djindjic, Lead Researcher, WeBER project

15:00-15:30 Wrap-up and conclusions