

Residence Palace,
Maelbeek conference room,
Brussels
7th September, 2016



Raising Standards, Declining Trends?

Operating Environment for Civil Society in Enlargement Countries

10:00–10:30 Arrival, welcome coffee (incl. BCSDN documentary screening)

10.30–10.50 Welcome address, introductions

Ana Novakovic, Interim Board Chair, BCSDN/ CRNVO
Tanja Hafner Ademi, BCSDN

10.50–11.20 Presentation: 2015 Regional Report on the Enabling Environment for Civil Society Development in Enlargement Countries

Ivana Rosenzweigová, ECNL
Tanja Hafner Ademi, BCSDN

11.20–12.40 Discussion: Key Challenges and How to Address Them with the EU Accession Process

Can the EU press the civil society development agenda more effectively? Are the threats and trends in shrinking civic space already present in Enlargement countries and what can be done to counter these? Have there been any structural developments in advancing civil society environment in the past year and what can we learn from them?

Panelists:
Sonja Nita, DG NEAR,
Klotilda Kosta, Partners Albania, Albania,
Taulant Hoxha, KCSF, Kosovo,
Bojana Selakovic, Civic Initiatives, Serbia

12.40–13:00 Buffet lunch & project closing ceremony

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