#### The role of civil society organisations in promoting active citizenship

##### People 2 People (P2P) Study Tour 44966

**Venue: tbc**

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**Aim of the meeting:**

The P2P Programme intends to offer to individuals and organisations from the beneficiary countries the possibility to visit EU institutions, as well as relevant EU platform organisations, or whenever relevant for the topic of the study visits, also other European, international or nationals organisations, in order to familiarise themselves with EU structures, policy making process, programmes, policies and best practices.

The aim of this study tour is to discuss active citizenship with participating representatives of civil society organisations. The study tour will include the aspects of citizenship education, community development and volunteering. This study tour also aims at offering the participants networking opportunities among themselves and with European-level civil society organisations.

The study tour is open for the participation of several representatives of civil society organisations from each of the candidate countries and potential candidates to EU enlargement.

Up to 40 participants from civil society organisations in the Western Balkans, Turkey and Iceland will attend the study tour.

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**Day I :**

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| 09:15 | *Registration of participants* |
| 09:30 | **Welcome note** |
|  | **Opening workshop: What does active citizenship mean to us?** Parallel working groups |
| 11:00 | *Coffee break* |
| 11:30 | Discussion of working group results in plenary |
| 12:30 | *Lunch break* |
| 14:00 | **The enlargement process: State of play and current challenges**  Presentation by a representative of DG Enlargement (tbc), followed by questions and answers |
| 15:30 | *Coffee break* |
| 16:00 | **The Civil Society Facility**   * Technical Assistance to Civil Society Organisations * The People 2 People Programme * Partnership Actions   Presentations followed by questions and answers |
| 17:00 | *End of the first day* |
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**Day II : 11**

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| 09:00 | *Registration of participants* |
| 09:15 | **Morning session: Citizenship education**  Format and speakers tbc |
| 12:30 | *Lunch break* |
| 14:00 | **Afternoon session: Community development**  Format and speakers tbc |
| 17:00 | *End of the second day* |
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**Day III : 11**

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| 09:00 | *Arrival and registration of participants at the visitor's entrance* |
| 09:30 | **Visit to the European Parliament (EP)** (tbc)   * An introduction to the European Parliament * The work of the EP with respect to the Western Balkans, Turkey and Iceland * Advancing active citizenship   Speaker tbc |
| 11:30 | *End of EP visit – walk from EP to Charlemagne building* |
| 12:00 | **Meetings with geographical units of DG Enlargement, European Commission** (tbc)  Parallel meetings, one per candidate country and potential candidate (tbc) |
| 14:30 | **Visit to the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)** (tbc)   * An introduction to the EESC * The work of the EESC with respect to the Western Balkans, Turkey and Iceland * Advancing active citizenship   Speaker tbc |
| 16:30 | *End of the third day* |
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**Day IV: 11**

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| 09:00 | *Registration of participants* |
| 09:15 | **Volunteering**  Format and speakers tbc |
| 12:00 | Feedback and wrap-up |
| 13:00 | *End of the study tour* |

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