

OSCE is selecting ten participants of the study visit to Serbia for the representatives of civil society from both banks of the Dniester/Nistru River

October 13-15, 2014, the OSCE Mission to Moldova organizes a study visit to Belgrade for the representatives of civil society from both banks of the Dniester/Nistru River. The aim of the study visit is to get civil society representatives familiar with the models of cooperation and peacebuilding in Serbia.

In the context of the consecutive OSCE Chairmanship of Switzerland and Serbia in 2014-2015, the study visit will enhance the role of civil society involvement, one of the Chairmanship's priorities.

The participants will have the possibility to meet the representatives of Serbian civil society and public authorities and discuss the following fields:

- The role of civil society organizations in developing and implementing the National Action Plan on the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 "Women, Peace and Security" for 2010-2015;
- Models of civil society platforms and coalitions; Tools for cooperation with state institutions and universities.
- Modern approaches to conflict resolution.

Three-day study visit will take place October 13-15, 2014 (arrival – October 12, departure – October 16). All the expenses (transportation, accommodation, meals) will be covered by the organizers.

The selection of participants is based on the following criteria:

- Active involvement in the work of the non-government sector – NGOs, initiative groups, etc.;
- Willingness and possibility to implement the gained knowledge in the work process;
- Motivation to participate in the study visit;
- Readiness to share the gained knowledge with the colleagues (during a follow-up event);
- Interest in developing collaboration with NGOs from the other bank of Dniester/Nistru;
- Knowledge of spoken Russian;
- Readiness to participate in all the events and meetings organized within the framework of the visit;
- Presence of an international passport valid at least until February 2015;

Candidates that actively participate in the work of the civil society thematic groups organized by the OSCE Mission to Moldova throughout 2014 will be preferred. The group of participants will be formed taking into account the geographical and gender balance.

Persons interested in the participation can apply by filling in and sending a form and a CV to Margarita.Kotenko@osce.org until September 5, 2014.

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