

## **WORKSHOP**

## "HOW TO STRENGTHEN AND PRESERVE INTERNAL COHESION OF CSOs IN THE POST-WAR TIMES"

**Date and time:** 28 April 2022, 10:00-18:00

**Venue and format:** in-person event in Lviv<sup>1</sup>, a part of the event (12:15-13:15) will be streamed online

**Event's objective:** to identify recent findings and challenges in the work of teams of civil society organizations (CSOs) during the war; to gather existing experience in building synergies / combining efforts for its conscious integration into activities and dissemination among other public organizations to strengthen them; to familiarize participants with the basics of working with conflicts / misunderstandings and provide tools for such work.

**Participants**: representatives of CSOs who will be invited based on the results of their online applications.

Online application in Ukrainian can be found here.

## **Background:**

The workshop will be held as part of the International Conference of SCOs "War Aftermath: Reconsidering the Future of Civil Society", which will take place in Warsaw on 27-29 April 2022. The first part of the workshop will be streamed online as one of the conference's sections.

This event will become a platform for rethinking the own experience of members of civil society organizations in wartime, crystallization of valuable gained experience of taking organizational decisions that promote cohesion, building protectors to prevent mutual understanding, coherence and the rest of the acquired practices from blurring or loss in a safe environment in peacetime. During the event, the participants will have the opportunity to get familiarized with approaches that in conflict situations help to transit from confrontation to cooperation, including tools for analysis and management of conflicts / misunderstandings, as well as basic tools for effective communication. In addition, participants will exchange their own experiences and visions on how not to escalate conflicts and prevent them.

## **Trainers:**

**Diana Protsenko** – mediator (accreditation CEDR, Great Britain), dialogue facilitator, trainer, lawyer (private practice), President of the National Association of Mediators of Ukraine in 2015-2022, Senior Lecturer of the Faculty of Law at the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy. Member of the International Network of Mediation Trainers (CEDR Trainers). Co-author of draft laws on mediation, author of publications on mediation and dialogue.

**Nataliia Mudrak** —mediator, facilitator of public dialogues, trainer. Member of the National Association of Mediators of Ukraine. Has experience in conducting dialogue activities, including those between local authorities and communities, public dialogues in support of the reform process in Ukraine, as a facilitator was involved in the process of public consultations related to decentralization reform. Member of the organizing committee of the Student Competition for Effective Dispute Resolution, was the coordinator of the Mentorship program on dialogue facilitation of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Participants from Lviv or other cities can take part in the event provided they cover their own travel and accommodation expenses. The OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine will not reimburse travel and accommodation expenses to participants. Meals will be provided only within the event.