



## GEORGIAN NATIONAL PLATFORM

EASTERN PARTNERSHIP CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

The Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum Georgian National Platform congratulates the citizens of Georgia on the decision released by the European Commission to recommend the European Council to grant candidate status to Georgia.

The Georgian National Platform (GNP) would like to thank the European Commission, Mrs. Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission and Mr. Olivér Várhelyi, EU Commissioner for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, Delegation of the European Union to Georgia and Pavel Herczynski, EU Ambassador to Georgia for their support.

The GNP has been actively involved and participated in the process of fulfillment of 12 priorities defined by the European Commission. In cooperation with the Parliament of Georgia, the GNP member and non-member non-governmental organizations had the opportunity to participate in the working groups. Two conferences were organized jointly with the Parliament of Georgia, where all actors had the opportunity to discuss the issues related to fulfillment of the 12 priorities in an inclusive environment.

The platform member organizations took an active part in the process of approximation of draft laws on "broadcasting", justice and other draft laws to the EU directives.

In October, the GNP signed a Memorandum of Cooperation with the Parliament of Georgia.

We are grateful that the European Commission positively reflected all the aforementioned steps taken by the GNP in its report.

The Georgian National Platform expresses its readiness to continue to work actively with all actors for the effective implementation of the 9 priorities.

The Georgian National Platform once again congratulates the population of Georgia on this important step towards the European Union and hopes that in December the EU member states will approve the European Commission recommendation.