

საქართველოს ეროვნული პლატფორმა

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Provision on Delegate Selection Process

The Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum Georgian National Platform fully shares the main principles and values of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (EaP CSF) and implements its activities democratically, transparently and on the basis of reporting in accordance with the EaP CSF Internal Forum (10.2018).

In accordance with Article 4.1 of the Statue of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society forum, the delegates are representatives of CSOs from EaP countries and the EU who are selected for a two-year cycle from current Members of the Forum and non-members based on their interest expressed in terms of participation in the registration process.

Within their mandate, selected delegates attend thematic working-group meetings and two annual assemblies as well as jointly lead an advocacy campaign.

The delegate selection criteria have been developed on the basis of the principle to include various organizations from the six EaP countries and European member states.

# **3 Votes Principle**

The Forum delegates for the 2022-2024 cycle will be selected based on the votes of National Platforms members, Working Group Coordinators and EU delegations in the Eastern Partnership countries in line with the selection criteria and structural and thematic quotas.

Working Group Coordinators recommend the number of delegates in accordance with their working group thematic quotas.
(7 WG1; 4 WG2; 4 WG3; 4 WG4; 1 WG5)

• Each EU delegation recommends 20 organizations in accordance with thematic and structural quotas.

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Members of the National Platform vote on the list and select 20 organizations in accordance with thematic and structural quotas.
(7 WG1; 4 WG2; 4 WG3; 4 WG4; 1 WG5)

• The Secretariat of EaP CSF draws up a list with 3 votes, which is then reviewed and approved by the Steering Committee.

## Selection Criteria and Quotas:

The total number of delegates to be selected is determined by the Civil Society Forum. The delegate selection criteria are developed to include a balanced number of organizations from the 6 EaP countries (20 delegates are selected per country).

## Thematic Quotas

The selected organizations are organized on the basis of thematic quotas in 5 working groups.

The quotas between groups are distributed as follows: Group I: 7 delegates Group II: 4 delegates Group III: 4 delegates IV group - 4 delegates Group V - 1 delegate

# Structural Quotas

During the voting process, organizations must ensure that at least 40% of the delegates selected by them are "new" organizations (8 delegates in total. 4 organizations did not have delegate status for the previous cycle + 4 organizations never had delegate status), and the remaining 60% are re-elected organizations (12 organizations from the previous cycle or other cycles).

# **Right to Participate**

Full-fledged Member Organizations of the Georgian National Platform have the right to participate in the process of delegate selection. In the voting process, only one representative from one organization votes. One organization = one vote.

# Counting and Announcing Results

The Secretariat of the Georgian National Platform will forward the list provided by the Forum to the representatives of the Coalition Member Organizations, which includes the information recorded by the organizations during the registration process. From the attached list only 20 Member Organizations of the Georgian National Platform of Georgia can vote.

The voting procedure lasts for 1 week and the completed lists should be emailed of the Secretariat.

After obtaining results by the Working Group Coordinators of the Forum, the EU delegation and national platforms:

- The Secretariat makes a rating list based on the number of votes received.
- The number of votes can be a maximum 3 and minimum 0 (zero).

A list of 20 delegates identified as a result of vote counting is published on the website of the Georgian National Platform and is also shared electronically with the Member Organizations and the Secretariat of the Forum.