

PLANNING OF EASTERN PARTNERSHIP MULTILATERAL EVENTS FOR 2018

PLATFORM 1 "STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONS AND GOOD GOVERNANCE"

	DATE	PLACE	EVENT	DESCRIPTION	LEAD SERVICE/MS/Partner Country
Platform 1 "Strengthening Institutions and Good Governance"					
1.	20 April	Brussels	Platform 1 meeting	Theme: implementation of rule of law and justice reforms	EEAS/DG NEAR/DG JUST/DG HOME
2.	Autumn (tbc)	Brussels	Platform 1 meeting	Tbc	EEAS/DG NEAR/DG JUST/DG HOME
Panel on Governance and Public Administration Reform					
3.	15 March	Yerevan, Armenia	14 th PAR Panel	Topic: Management of a strategic planning process	AM/EEAS/DG NEAR
4.	October (tbc)	Prague, Czech Republic	15 th PAR Panel	Topics: Better services to citizens and businesses through simplification of administrative procedures and rationalisation of public administration	CZ/EEAS/DG NEAR
Local and regional level PAR					
5.	16 March	Yerevan, Armenia	Seminar on public administration reform on local and regional levels in the context of Eastern Partnership.	Back to back event with the 14 th PAR Panel. Decentralization of the state governance, Fight against corruption, Dialogue with civil society reinforcing transparency and accountability of public administration	AM/CZ/EEAS/DG NEAR
6.	November/December (tbc)	Prague	Seminar on public administration reform on local and regional levels in the context of Eastern	follow-up to the expert working conclusions that gather in Yerevan in March 2018. Decentralization of the state governance, Fight against	CZ/EEAS

			Partnership	corruption, Dialogue with civil society reinforcing transparency and accountability of Public administration	
Accountability					
7.	20 April 2018	Tbilisi	Workshop on Functional and Institutional Analysis of Public Institutions, Organizational Structures	The conclusions of this workshop should be follow up during the 15 th PAR Panel.	GE/EEAS
Service delivery					
8.	May 2018	Baku	Expert working group: One-stop shop model for accessible, transparent and efficient public service delivery in Azerbaijan	To be linked with the 15 th PAR Panel (one thematic focus will be on service delivery).	AZ/EEAS
PAR Strategic Framework					
9.	December 2018 or 2019	Kyiv	Conference on PAR Strategic Framework	Follow-up to the 14 th Panel meeting	UA/EEAS
Policy Development and Coordination					
10.	September 2018	Kyiv	Costing strategies as an integral part of the strategic planning process	Follow-up to the discussions of the 14 th PAR Panel + presentation of ReSPA methodological guidance on costing strategies	GE (tbc)/EEAS
Public service and human resource management					
11.	November 2018 tbc	Kyiv	Workshop “Ensuring Gender Equity in the Civil Service”.	Proposal by Ukraine, to be done in coordination with Poland. Study on gender to be linked with this event.	UA/PL/EEAS
12.	Autumn 2018 and Autumn 2019	Warsaw	5 th and 6 th editions of the traineeship programme in the civil service	Projects fully financed from the Polish Aid Programme resources within the framework of the Polish Eastern Partnership Academy of Public Administration. Two-week stay of 18 representatives from all 6 Partner Countries (3 per country) in the Polish government offices.	PL
Panel on Rule of Law					
13.	May-June	Brussels	3 rd Rule of Law panel	Focus on home and just issues: establishment of registries of beneficial ownership and anti-money	HOME/JUST/NEAR/EEAS

				laundering	
14.	Autumn	Brussels	4 th Rule of Law Panel	Focus on justice: prosecution issues and conflict of assets and interests of judges	HOME/JUST/NEAR/EEAS
15.	June	Brussels	Workshop on Rule of Law	Organized by TAIEX, in support of Panel work	HOME/JUST/NEAR/EEAS
16.	Autumn	Brussels	Workshop on Rule of Law	Organized by TAIEX, in support of Panel work	HOME/JUST/NEAR/EEAS
Panel on Security, CSDP and Civil Protection					
17.	15 May	Brussels	10 th Panel on Security, CSDP and Civil Protection		EEAS/DG ECHO
18.	October	Brussels	11 th Panel on Security, CSDP and Civil Protection		EEAS/DG ECHO
19.	June	Baku	Orientation Course on CSDP		EEAS/ESDC/AZ
20.	22-26 October	Kyiv	Orientation Course on CSDP		EEAS/ESDC/AT/UA
21.	1 st half 2018	Tbilisi	CSDP Communication Workshop for EaP countries	The CSDP Communication Workshop will provide two-day training for strategic communication professionals working on CSDP issues and will create a platform for discussion of the current challenges in this field. It will further facilitate experience sharing among the government representatives, EU officials and experts working on crisis management and hybrid warfare, including through discussion of application of traditional and social media tools as means of awareness-raising in EaP and EU countries	GE/EEAS
22.	TBC	TBC	Thematic seminar	In support CSDP Orientation Course	EEAS/ESDC
23.	5-6 March	Brussels	European Civil Protection Forum	Three sessions will be dedicated to "fostering resilience in the neighbourhood". Together with EU member states, experts from EaP Partner Countries, Enlargement and Southern neighbourhood will be invited to attend the forum	ECHO/NEAR/EEAS

PLATFORM 2 "ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND MARKET OPPORTUNITIES"

	DATE	PLACE	EVENT	DESCRIPTION	LEAD SERVICE/MS/Partner Country
Platform 2 "Economic Development and Market Opportunities"					
24.	27 April	Brussels	Platform 2 meeting – kick-off plenary session	Theme: structural reforms	GROW/NEAR/EEAS
25.	end Nov-Dec (tbc)	Brussels	Platform 2 meeting	tbc	GROW/NEAR/EEAS with ECFIN, TRADE, FISMA, CNECT
Panel on Structural Reforms, Financial sector architecture, agriculture and SMEs					
26.	18 June	Brussels	Regional SBA Co-ordinators Meeting	OECD SBA Assessment	NEAR / GROW
27.	19 June	Brussels	Panel on Structural reforms, Financial sector Architecture and SMEs	Back to back with EU4BUSINESS general assembly	NEAR / GROW / ECFIN / FISMA
28.	October	Chisinau	Agriculture: Economic diversification in rural areas		AGRI
29.	TBC	TBC	Structural Reforms Panel and Business environment		NEAR /GROW/(ECFIN?)
Panel on Trade					
30.	20 June	Brussels	Trade Panel: Workshop on the EaP Trade Helpdesk		TRADE
31.	TBC	Brussels	Commercial Attachés training on Trade promotion (provided TAIEX financing is available)		CBI (NL) / TRADE
32.	20 September	Brussels	DCFTA Informal Ministerial meeting on Trade		TRADE
33.	18-21 September	Poland	Workshop "EU best practices on customs protection of health, safety and the environment"		TAXUD/TRADE
34.	27-28 September 2018	Ukraine	Seminar "Towards the Common Transit Convention"		TAXUD/TRADE

35.	TBC	TBC	Trade Panel (18 th) on Technical Regulations and Standardisation		GROW/TRADE
Panel on Harmonisation of Digital Markets					
36.	12-14 March	Kiev	EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Spectrum		CNECT/NEAR
37.	28-29 March	Baku	EU4Digital: Trust and Security/1 st Workshop		CNECT/NEAR
38.	17-18 April	Baku	EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Roaming EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Benchmarking		CNECT/NEAR
39.	23 April	Chisinau	EU4Digital: ICT innovation / 1 st workshop		CNECT/NEAR
40.	25-26 April	Kyiv	EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Infra. Mapping WS EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Plenary Meeting		CNECT/NEAR
41.	15-16 May	Minsk	EU4Digital: eTrade / 1 st workshop		CNECT/NEAR / TRADE
42.	11-12 June	Riga	EU4Digital: eSkills / 1 st workshop		CNECT/NEAR
43.	TBC	TBC	EU4Digital: Trust & Security / 1 st workshop		CNECT/NEAR
44.	12-13 tbc July	Batumi	EU4Digital: eHealth / 1 st workshop		CNECT/NEAR/SANTE
45.	TBC	TBC	EU4Digital: eSkills / 2 nd workshop		CNECT/NEAR
46.	TBC	TBC	EU4Digital: ICT innovation / 2 nd workshop		CNECT/NEAR
47.	TBC	TBC	EU4Digital: Trust & Security / 2 nd workshop		CNECT/NEAR
48.	TBC	TBC	EU4Digital: eTrade / 2 nd workshop		CNECT/NEAR/TRADE
49.	TBC	TBC	EU4Digital: eHealth / 2 nd workshop		CNECT/NEAR
50.	TBC	Germany	EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) /		CNECT/NEAR

			Spectrum EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Benchmarking		
51.	TBC	Vilnius	EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Roaming		CNECT/NEAR
52.	TBC	Riga	EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Spectrum		CNECT/NEAR
53.	Nov.	Vilnius	EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / WS with BEREC EU4Digital: Telecom (EaPeReg) / Plenary Meeting		CNECT/NEAR
54.	Nov.	Brussels	4 th HDM Panel		CNECT/NEAR/EEAS

PLATFORM 3 "CONNECTIVITY, ENERGY EFFICIENCY, ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE"

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Platform 3 "Connectivity, Energy efficiency, Environment and Climate Change"					
55.	29 May 2018	Brussels	Platform 3 meeting	Theme: investment priorities	EEAS/NEAR, MOVE, ENER, ENV, CLIMA
56.	end Nov-Dec (tbc)	Brussels	Platform 3 meeting	tbc	EEAS/NEAR, MOVE, ENER, ENV, CLIMA
Panel on Transport					
57.	17 April 2018	Brussels	Panel Meeting	Presentation on technical level of the Eastern Partnership (EaP) transport investment action plan and the draft declaration on road safety; Update on institutional and regulatory reforms in partner countries; Vision on Eurasian connectivity	DG MOVE
58.	27 April 2018	Ljubljana	Ministerial Meeting	Signing the declaration on road safety Presentation and discussion of the EaP transport investment action plan	DG MOVE
59.	October 2018	Minsk	Meeting of the three Experts Working Groups on road safety and donor conference on road safety	The Working Groups were established in December 2017 Specific focus under discussion	DG NEAR
60.	October 2018	Brussels	Panel Meeting	Discussion of investments on the extended core TEN-T network, necessary institutional and regulatory reforms in the transport and logistics	DG MOVE

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				sector, and road safety	
61.	November 2018	Vienna	Ministerial Meeting and Connectivity Conference	Political endorsement of the EaP transport investment action plan	DG NEAR
Panel on Energy					
62.	14-15 June	Budapest	Meeting of the Working Group of EaP Energy Regulatory Bodies	The workshop will assess the concept of solidarity and place the emphasis on measures necessary to ensure energy security	DG ENER, CEER
63.	5 June 2018	Brussels	Energy Panel Meeting	Pipeline of key regional energy interconnectivity projects Energy Efficiency	DG ENER, DG NEAR, EEAS
64.	25 May 2018	Tbilisi	High Level Policy Talk	Discuss Energy Connectivity Projects	DG NEAR
65.	November 2018 (tbc)	Brussels	Energy Panel Meeting	Focus to be determined	DG ENER, DG NEAR, EEAS
66.	Autumn 2018	TBC	Covenant of Mayors regional conference	Networking event for mayors – signatories of Covenant of Mayors from EaP countries	DG NEAR
67.	27-30 November 2018	Chisinau	Policy event on Renewable Market Design	Integration of renewable power into functioning energy markets	DG NEAR
Panel on Environment and Climate Change					
68.	23-25 May 2018	Brussels	Workshop on Green Cities	Present ways in which the EU is helping cities to become better places to live and work exchange views and experience and to discuss possible joint activities Focus to be put on circular economy Organised back to back with EU Green Week	DG Environment
69.	12-13 June 2018	Kyiv, tbc	Panel Meeting	Focus on circular economy and climate action – and the links between the two areas	DG Environment/Ukraine
70.	October 2018	Brussels	Workshop on Talanoa Facilitative Dialogue on Paris Agreement Implementation	Focus to be determined	DG CLIMA
71.	9 October 2018	Luxembourg	Second EaP Ministerial Meeting on Environment and Climate	Progress on the EaP Declaration on Environment and Climate Change	DG Environment/Austria

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			Change	Focus on circular economy Other subjects, as necessary	

PLATFORM 4 "MOBILITY AND PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE CONTACTS"

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72.	19 June tbc	Brussels	General Platform 4 meeting	Focus on Youth and Education Package, adopting P4 Work Programme.	EEAS/NEAR
73.	October	Brussels	General Platform 4 meeting	Take stock of achievements prior to the annual EaP FA Ministerial	EEAS/NEAR
Panel on Youth, Education and Culture					
74.	5 July	Brussels	1 st Youth, Education and Culture Panel	Focus on Youth Package, quality in education, youth skills development, employment and employability, youth transition from education to work.	EAC/EMPL/ETF
75.	8-9 November	Vienna	Conference on youth entrepreneurship	The aim of the conference is to improve practical skills of young entrepreneurs, in particular from rural and disadvantaged areas, with a focus on social and creative entrepreneurship, campaigning and digital tools. The conference will seek synergies with objectives of the EaP Youth Forum, the EaP CSF, Black Sea NGO Forum and Eastern Partnership Platform 4	CSF/AT
76.	December	Ukraine	Conference on youth advisory bodies	Initiative requested by UA Ministry of Youth and Sports, linked with decentralisation reform and support to local authorities with the objective to	UA/EAC

				increase youth participation in the decision-making process	
77.	October/November		Conference on youth transition to work		EMPL/ETF
78.	October	Georgia or Ukraine	Conference on integrity in higher education	Discuss the academic corruption in the EaP region and best practice to tackle it effectively	EAC
79.	September		Peer learning event EU MS and EaP	Make-it-Match Network: <i>"Towards renewed approaches and tools to improve youth employability in the EaP in the context of digitation of work and new demands of skills development. Renewed skills and labour market anticipation"</i>	ETF
80.			Event on active support to youth (tbc)		EMPL/ETF
81.	2 nd semester 2018	Brussels	2 Expert meetings on creative hubs and cultural heritage	To capitalise of the ongoing European Year of Cultural Heritage	EAC
Panel on Research and Innovation					
82.	September	Georgia	Annual research and innovation event in a partner country	Focus on industry-academic partnerships	RTD/GE
83.	December	Brussels	6 th Research and Innovation Panel	Annual RTD Panel to discuss integration of Eastern Partnership and EU research and innovation systems and programmes, within the framework of the EU4Innovation.	RTD/EAC/JRC
Panel on Migration, Mobility and IBM					
84.	July		Migration, Mobility and IBM Panel	Panel dedicated to information campaigns – share and promote best practices on targeted information campaigns about rights and obligations of citizens when traveling visa-free and under provision of Schengen visa code to prevent irregular migration, provide clear information on asylum procedures and provide information on legal ways for migration to EU.	HOME/EEAS
85.	June		Migration, Mobility and IBM Panel	Panel dedicated to Integrated Border Management	EEAS/HOME
86.	September		Migration, Mobility and IBM	Focus on different methods of migration data	HOME/EEAS

			Panel – Expert meeting	collection	
87.	December		Migration, Mobility and IBM Panel - Expert meeting	Focus on circular migration, remittances and cooperation with diaspora and migrant organisations.	HOME/EEAS