

**Letter from the EaP CSF Representative
at the Policy Forum on Development Krzysztof Bobinski**

Dear Civil Society Forum members,

I am your representative at the [Policy Forum on Development \(PFD\)](#). The PFD is a consultative body, which meets once a year and represents civil society organisations and local authorities worldwide. The PFD concentrates on development issues and advises the European Commission's International Cooperation and Development Directorate General ([DG DEVCO](#)) on the development aid funds worth 1.9bn in the current financial framework (2014-2020), which the European Commission allocates to the above-mentioned two categories of organisations in this period.

The PFD meets once a year (next in Brussels on 21-23 March) and has around 70 participants, which are mostly networks of organisations like the [European Confederation of Development NGOs \(Concord\)](#), the [United Cities and Local Governments \(UCLG\)](#) network or the [International Co-operative Alliance Asia and Pacific](#).

I am working on putting together a group of CSOs from the EaP and EU countries, which are interested in getting involved in the work of the PFD. The involvement of both the National Platforms and Working Groups is very welcome.

Development priorities are commonly understood as those incorporated in the [UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development](#) and related to the [Sustainable Development Goals \(STGs\)](#).

Another key document for PFD activity is the [European Consensus on Development](#) - the EU's response to the UN 2030 Agenda. The European Consensus is undergoing the final stages of consultations between the European Commission, European Parliament and Council of the European Union.

For the EaP CSF to fully participate in the PFD process, as your representative I would need to make contact with relevant CSOs in the EU and EaP countries, which might be interested. For the moment, the only organisation from an EaP country, which seems to take part in the PFD is the [Congress of Local Authorities](#) from Moldova.

[Please contact me](#) at bobinski@it.com.pl if you are interested in contributing to the PFD.

With my best wishes,

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