

EaP CSF Working Group 5 (WG5)

Annual Report

This report presents the key activities, achievements, and thematic contributions of the EaP CSF Working Group 5 (WG5) under the 2025 Work Plan.

During the yearly reporting period, WG5 delegates participated in several internal and external meetings, contributed to consultations and the elaboration of one comprehensive policy paper.

A major milestone of the year was the completion and launch of the WG4 flagship policy paper “Enhancing social dialogue for social justice and decent work policies across the EaP” focusing on the meaningful role civil society can play in strengthening social dialogue across EaP countries. The paper was drafted by WG5 consultant, Mariami Paposhvili.

The policy paper specifically explores the mechanisms through which civil society organisations can contribute to the formulation and implementation of social justice and decent work policies. It focuses on identifying concrete actions that can be taken to enhance participation of social partners and civil society in social dialogue processes, while considering the unique political, economic, and social contexts of different EaP countries.

A launch event was organized on 13 May. The main takeaways from the event and the paper presentation can be found [here](#).

Annual WG5 Meetings

In line with its Annual Plan, WG5 held two annual meetings, one online (5 May) and one in-person, on the margins on the EaP CSF Civil Society Summit (2 December).

The meeting on 5 May featured country updates from all 6 EaP countries.

WG5 delegates then contributed with inputs to key discussions on the Work Plan, on relevant subject matters and on official activities of the EaP Multi-annual Work Plan 2025-2027. They formulated actionable and achievable policy recommendations in view of the EaP Civil Society Summit and next EaP political Summit.

The meeting on 2 December was dedicated to gathering insights and recommendations on the funding needs of CSOs from the EaP region. The input was fed into the donor coordination session organised on the same day.

Other matters

WG5 implemented its proposed activities for 2025.