



INVITATION: 27th MAY 2021, 11:30 – 13:00 (CEST)

“Social Economy in the Eastern Partnership Countries”

We are pleased to invite you to the **online panel discussion** on

**“Social Economy in the Eastern Partnership Countries –
Policy Challenges and Cooperation Potentials”**

which will take place on

27 May 2021 at 11.30-13.00 (CEST).

The panel discussion, involving policy makers and enablers of the social entrepreneurship ecosystems from the Eastern Partnership Countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine), is part of the ‘[European Social Economy Summit](#)’ #EUSES, jointly organised by the European Commission and the City of Mannheim, which aims to strengthen the #SocialEconomy in Europe and harness its contribution to economic development, social inclusion, and green and digital transitions.

The event will focus on assessing the current situation in the Eastern Partnership (EaP) Countries and sharing experiences and political priorities in the area of social entrepreneurship. Furthermore, it offers an excellent opportunity to identify potentials for cooperation and to help establishing new networks among the EaP countries and EU member states. During the moderated panel discussion, high-level policy makers from the EaP countries as well as representatives of the European Venture Philanthropy Association will share their insights on the topic and answer questions of the auditorium.

To be able to attend our session, please register for free for the #EUSES and subscribe for our session at: [OpenSocial.Network | Start Registration](#).

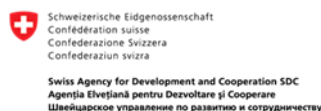
We are very excited to meet you at our panel discussion! Please feel free to forward this information also to other interested parties!

Your GIZ/IBB team

AGENDA

- 11.30 – 11.45** Welcome by the organisers, Introduction to the programme and the panellists
- 11.45 – 11.55** Video presentation on the current state of Social Entrepreneurship in the Eastern Partnership Countries,
- 11.55 – 12.55** Panel Discussion with policy makers from Eastern Partnership Countries and the EU including Q & A sessions with participants
- 12.55 – 13.00** Concluding remarks and online evaluation of the session

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