



CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Civil Society Conference **East and West: Civil Societies in Cooperation**

September 28 – 29, Tartu; Estonia

NGO Peipsi Centre for Transboundary Cooperation (www.ctc.ee) is looking for participants for a 2-day conference “East and West: Civil Societies in Cooperation”,* taking place in Tartu 28-29 September.

The aim of the conference is to support civil society involvement in the decision-making process, to discuss problems and find common solutions to the problems related to regional development, to support the formulation of common interest and standpoints. All that with the focus of regional NGO-s and civil societies in Eastern Partnership countries and their EU neighbours. For the participants, the conference offers a chance to tell your story and share your experience with EU and Eastern Partnership as well as to build up a cooperation-oriented network.

The two-day conference has three parts:

1. Introductory lecture and panel series
2. Case study section and discussion panels where you share your expertise
3. Field trip to South Estonia – to get familiar with excellent cases in community development

We also plan to organise a small display of the participants information materials and regional specialities: from food to introductory materials and handicraft (discussed when notified).

**The event takes place under the auspices of the Estonian Presidency of the Council of the European Union. With the financial support from KÜSK (National Foundation of Civil Society <http://www.kysk.ee/nfcs>) and in cooperation with Tartu University J. Skytte Institute.*





Participation Guidelines

The language of the conference language is English. We target NGO-s and social entrepreneurs working with environmental, social, educational, community development issues outside capital regions on Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus, Georgia; but also the Baltic States.

Please send you **motivation letter** (template on [page 3](#)) by **10 June 2017**.

We are also looking for **case study presenters**, on topics connected with community development, environmental and social issues or similar. If you want to introduce your case, please send us a short abstract with the motivation letter.

Financial support

The conference will cover flight tickets (reimbursed on arrival) that participants have themselves booked and bought. Reimbursement on arrival is up to 360€.

In addition, visa costs are also covered by reimbursement.

The conference is free and includes 2 nights stay in Tartu with check-in on 27th and check-out on the 29th of September and fully paid for field-trip.

The submission for abstracts and motivation letters is open until 10 June 2017.

Applicants will be notified by 20 June.

Submissions and questions should be sent to jaana.reinek@gmail.com; mobile phone no: +372 56 63 66 62.

The description of the project and the conference programme can be found [HERE](#).





Motivation Letter Template

For your motivation letter please use the following template

Your Name :

Nationality

E-mail

Phone (preferably your personal mobile phone)

NGO's name and address :

NGO's web site :

Main fields of then NGO and target regions of your work:

Do you need visa? :

Motivation (10-15 lines):

Do you want to present a case study? :

Abstract (description) of your case study (15- 20 lines):

