

## Eastern Partnership Youth Conference “Youth for Environment”

### Draft Agenda

**Title:** Youth4Environment

**Date:** 24-26 September 2020

**Format:** online event

**Day 1: September 24**

Day	Time	Session
24.09	10:00-10:30 CET	<p><b>Official Opening Ceremony</b></p> <p>Introduction by <b>Sintija Bernava</b> and <b>Zaur Akbar</b>, Working Group 4 coordinators, EaP CSF</p> <p>Welcome video address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Olívér Várhelyi (tbc)</b>, Commissioner, DG NEAR</li> <li>• <b>Michael Roth</b>, German State Secretary</li> </ul> <p>Welcoming words:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>N.N. Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung</b></li> </ul> <p>Inspirational speech</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Darya Chumakova (tbc)</b>, Ecoidea, Belarus</li> </ul> <p>Launch of the online petition to support Belarus</p> <p>Event Moderators: <b>Ana Indoitu</b>, Working Group 4, EaP CSF and <b>Artiom Radu</b>, Young European Ambassador, EU Neighbours East</p>
24.09	10:30-11:00	<p><b>Kick-off session for participants</b></p> <p>Event Moderators: <b>Ana Indoitu</b>, Working Group 4, EaP CSF and <b>Artiom Radu</b>, Young European Ambassador, EU Neighbours East</p>
24.09	11:00-11:15	<b>Virtual Coffee Break</b>
24.09	11:15-12:30	<p><b>Panel Discussion: Make-or Break time for the Eastern Partnership - Reducing effectively climate footprint</b></p> <p>Human activities are one of the main causes of the increasing of Earth's temperature, warming of the oceans, heavy weather changes, which lead to the general change of the climate. The Paris climate pact (2015) is an important step towards the climate-neutral planet. Yet, several political,</p>

		<p>industrial and societal challenges need to be overcome in order to reduce the climate footprint in the EU eastern neighbourhood. Moreover, the economic recovery from the current pandemic must not come at the expense of our environmental goals. How alive is the Green Agenda, especially in times of COVID-19? How can youth contribute to the sustainable recovery and the reduction of the climate footprint?</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>N.N.</b> German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature conservation and Nuclear Safety</li> <li>• <b>Justyna Glodowska-Wernert (tbc)</b>, International Relations Officer, DG CLIMA</li> <li>• <b>Maia Javakhishvili (tbc)</b>, Deputy Head, Environment and Climate Change Department, Ministry of environment and agriculture of Georgia</li> <li>• <b>Natalia Bekish</b>, Green Belarus, EaP CSF</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: <b>Ina Coseru</b>, Coordinator of environmental Working Group (WG3), EaP CSF</p>
24.09	12:30-14:00	<p><b>Cook your green lunch and join us in break out rooms</b></p> <p>This networking session aims for participants to meet in an informal break-out rooms, where they will get to know each other over a home-made lunch. We encourage participants to take their bowls or plates with their (green) food with them in front of the computer.</p> <p>In parallel: Introduction for EaP CSF Green Ideathon</p>
24.09	13:15- 14:45	<p><b>Parallel capacity building workshops</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshop 1 “Strategic advocacy tools for the Green Agenda by <b>N.N.</b></li> <li>• Workshop 2 Green mentality for green life by <b>Nathalie Niekisch</b>, Wandelwerk e.V.</li> </ul>
24.09	15:00-16:30	<p><b>EaP CSF Green Ideathon – finding your project idea</b></p> <p>EaP CSF Green Ideation aims to generate solutions to environmental problems in educational systems and develop small-scale projects.</p> <p>Facilitator: <b>Maria Davydchyk</b>, Smart Learning Academy</p>

## **Day 2: September 25**

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25.09	9:00-9:30 CET	<p><b>Meeting and Greeting</b></p> <p>Video Address by <b>Michael Kretschmer</b>, Minister-President of the German federal state Saxony</p> <p>Welcoming words:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>N.N. DG Environment</b></li> <li>• <b>Lawrence Meredith</b>, Director, Neighbourhood East and Institution Building, DG NEAR</li> </ul> <p>Event Moderators: <b>Ana Indoitu</b>, Working Group 4, EaP CSF and <b>Artiom Radu</b>, Young European Ambassador, EU Neighbours East</p>
25.09	9:30-10:45	<p><b>Panel Discussion: The European Green Deal – what future for the EaP Youth?</b></p> <p>Climate actions can be pathways for young people to galvanize national and local agendas for changing behaviours and policies and to ensure sustainable development of the Eastern Partnership Region. Thus, young people want to be part of the public dialogue on the environment, expressing a vivid motivation to eliminate pollution, enhance the level of clean energy and sustainable mobility for transforming the impact of economics and damaging social behavior patterns on the environment. What is the role of the European Green Deal for EaP and Russia? How can youth contribute to the dialogue with their authorities? How to implement the European Green Deal in the European Neighborhood and ensure the vision of young people?</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hans-Jürgen Heimsoeth</b>, German EaP Ambassador</li> <li>• <b>Irina Stavchuk (tbc)</b>, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Ukraine</li> <li>• <b>N.N. Climate Action Network</b></li> <li>• <b>N.N. Fridays4future</b></li> </ul> <p>Moderator: <b>Anahit Shirinyan</b>, EaP CSF</p>
25.09	10:45-11:00	Virtual Coffee Break
25.09	11:00 - 12:30	<p><b>Virtual Café</b></p> <p>The aim of this session is to discuss with experts in thematic groups (energy, pollution and mobility) the current state of play in each of the selected aspects. This session should help participants to understand the current challenges in the respective areas as well as to learn what is already in place to solve the existing shortcomings. This session will build the ground for young people to elaborate on further policy recommendations.</p> <p>Outcome: participants have a good understanding of the aspects currently being discussed in the three selected spheres and contribute to policy recommendation with their vision.</p> <p><b>Session 1: Clean Energy</b></p> <p>Expert: <b>Olena Pavlenko (tbc)</b>, Dixi group Ukraine/Roman Zinchenko, Greencubator Facilitator: Ana-Outilia Nutu, EaP CSF</p> <p><b>Session 2: Environment</b></p>

		<p>Expert: <b>Andrei Isac (tbc)</b>, consultant, EU4Environment programme, Moldova Facilitator: Rodica Ivanov, EaP CSF</p> <p><b>Session 3: Alternative Mobility</b></p> <p>Expert: <b>Gela Kvashilava (tbc)</b>, Expert of transport and road safety Facilitator: Eka Laliashvili, EaP CSF</p>
25.09 .	12:30 – 14:00	<p><b>Cook your green lunch and join us in break out rooms</b></p> <p>This networking session aims for participants to meet in an informal break-out rooms, where they will get to know each other over a home-made lunch. We encourage participants to take their bowls or plates with their (green) food with them in front of the computer.</p>
25.09	14:00 - 15:30	<p><b>Parallel “Big-fish” Sessions</b></p> <p>The big fish session is an online public discussion with high-level stakeholders, which aims a direct dialogue between the participants of the conference and policy-makers.</p> <p><b>Session 1: Paper vs plastic: eliminating pollution</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Svetlana Bolocan (tbc)</b>, Head of Department of waste management and chemicals policies, Moldova</li> <li>- <b>Irina Ghaplanyan (tbc)</b>, Deputy Minister of Environment of Armenia</li> </ul> <p><b>Session 2: Turn off the light please - energy matters!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EaP country</li> </ul> <p><b>Session 3: What future for mobility?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EaP country</li> </ul> <p><b>Session 4: Climate change in the classroom - Education for Sustainable Development and Climate Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EaP country</li> </ul>
25.09	14:00-16:00	<p><b>EaP CSF Green Ideathon – work in progress</b></p> <p>During this session, participants will continue developing their project ideas and transform them into the project proposals. The aim of the session is to prepare final proposals, which will be pitched on Day 3 to the Selection Committee.</p> <p>Facilitator: <b>Maria Davydchyk</b>, Smart Learning Academy</p>

### Day 3: September 26

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26.09	10:00-12:00 CET	<p><b>EaP CSF Green Ideathon: Pitch your project</b></p> <p>Pitching is a short presentation/speech, aiming to persuade the audience to select their project. Participants will be given 3 minutes to describe briefly the aim of the project, main targeted audience and how the project will contribute to solving environmental issues and help to increase awareness among the population. Moreover, projects will have to show how they are interlinked with educational activities and/or educational curricula.</p> <p>Selection Commission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Christopher Forst</b>, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Kyiv, Ukraine</li> <li>• <b>Ivana Vrhovski (tbc)</b>, Policy officer, DG EAC</li> <li>• <b>Yaroslav Minkin</b>, Working Group 4, EaP CSF</li> <li>• <b>Andriy Pavlovych</b>, Salto Youth</li> <li>• <b>Rodica Ivanov</b>, Environmental expert, EaP CSF</li> </ul>
26.09	12:00-12:30	<b>Break/finalisation of results</b>
26.09	12:30-13:00	<p><b>Announcement of the Winners of the EaP CSF Green Hackathon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Christopher Forst</b>, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Kyiv, Ukraine</li> </ul> <p><b>Closing remarks</b></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Andriy Pavlovych</b>, Salto Youth</li> <li>• <b>Ina Coseru</b>, EaP CSF Steering Committee co-chair</li> </ul> <p>Event Moderators: <b>Ana Indoitu</b>, Working Group 4, EaP CSF and <b>Artiom Radu</b>, Young European Ambassador, EU Neighbours East</p>