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“Commitment to Constructive Dialogue” Project: Official Project Launch

On July 14th, 2017, at 11.00AM, the official launch of the EU-funded “Commitment to Constructive Dialogue” Project (CCD) will be held at the Erebuni Plaza Business Center, Erebuni Hall.

At the ceremony, opening remarks will be made by H.E. Mr. Piotr Antoni Świtalski, Ambassador, Head of the European Union Delegation to the Republic of Armenia, RA Minister of Justice Mr. Davit Harutyunyan and Mr. Karen Zadoyan, the President of the Armenian Lawyers’ Association and the CCD Project Manager. The latter will also present the main objectives and directions of the project, as well as the activities carried out in the project inception period and the interim results achieved.

The project team has carried out a mapping of Armenian civil society organisations and identification of Project target sectors. The findings of the report will also be presented at the project opening ceremony.

Representatives from RA state agencies, international organisations, Armenian civil society organisations and mass media will participate in the event. They will be given an opportunity to ask questions and take part in discussions.

The *“Commitment to Constructive Dialogue”* project is implemented with the financial support of the European Union by a consortium of civil society organisations, which are “Armenian Lawyers’ Association”, Agora Central Europe o.p.s (an NGO from the Czech Republic), “Armenian Centre for Democratic Education-CIVITAS” NGO, “International Centre for Human Development” Public Organisation, “SME Cooperation Association” NGO and the Union of Communities of Armenia.

The main objective of the project is to enhance the influence of civil society organisations (CSOs) and CSO coalitions/networks on the public policy development in the project target sectors. More specific objectives are: strengthening Armenian CSOs’ capacity to build sectoral coalitions, their engagement in public policy development, identification of issues in the target sectors and development of respective public policies, as well as constructive and strategic policy engagement with central and local government. The project has a sub-granting component, under which sub-grants will be allocated to CSOs and CSO coalitions. The project has 9 target sectors, including those of justice, education and business.

The **Armenian Lawyers’ Association** (ALA) was established in 1995 with a mission to promote to the establishment of the rule of law, democracy and formation of the civil society in Armenia, where the people are aware of their rights and where their rights are protected. Before February 2016, ALA used to be called Armenian Young Lawyers Association.

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