The Statement of EaP Civil Society Forum Georgian National Platform

On Solidarity with Ukrainian Civil Society

EaP CSF Georgian National Platform expresses its solidarity with Ukrainian Civil Society groups that gathered on the streets of Kyiv in protest at the Ukrainian Government’s U-turn on a long-planned EU Association Agreement in Vilnius Summit.

We firmly believe that Ukrainian people’s choice is the European Integration. The stake is about the establishment of the democratic institutions, strengthening of the rule of law and human rights protection, reducing corruption and eradicating poverty, increasing labor, environmental and social standards, that would lead towards prosperity and welfare of Ukraine. It is a vis-a-vis to the Russian Federation ambitious through blackmailing and different types of economic and political pressures to revive the type of Soviet Union – The Customs Union – that would imply itself decreased human rights standards and increased poverty.

We call:

- To European Union to reaffirm its strong political and financial support to Eastern Partnership Countries, including Ukraine after the Vilnius Summit for implementation of democratic reforms in line with the EU integration process;
- The citizens of Ukraine to accept our solidarity in the continuing fight towards pro European future of our countries.