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Resolution of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum

On reopening Eastern Partnership Youth Window of the Erasmus+ Program

Considering the economic, social and political challenges of the Eastern Partnership region and the struggle that young people face in accessing the opportunities of development, participation and mobility, and bearing in mind the previous success and impact of the Eastern Partnership Window of the Youth in Action Program (2007-2013) on the young people, youth non-governmental organizations and youth processes related to the youth field development in the Eastern Partnership region, the Youth Sub-group of the WG4 of the EaP Civil Society Forum strongly promotes the idea of launching the Eastern Partnership Youth Window of the Erasmus + project in the countries of the Eastern Partnership.

We consider Erasmus+ a useful tool for promoting the mobility, participation, policy agenda, exchange and innovation among young people and for spreading the European values. In the first place, the Eastern Partnership Youth Window of the Erasmus + constitutes a window for young people to independently promote their visions and to increase their participation in the active civil society. Erasmus+ program for EaP countries also constitutes the most powerful soft diplomacy tool for promoting European Union values among young people. In this regard the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum calls upon the European Union:

- To open the Eastern Partnership Youth Window of the Erasmus+ Program for the NGOs and youth-led movements
- To open separate Eastern Partnership Youth Program for the NGOs and youth led movements
- To organize tools (trainings and preparatory courses) on how to access the Erasmus+ program
- To empower youth-led initiatives, movements, organizations, National Youth Councils, Youth Network Organizations, Youth NGOs and NGOs which are working with youth from EaP countries to take part and to promote the Erasmus+
- To advocate the support of youth activities and efforts realized within the Erasmus+ program towards the governments of the EaP countries

