



## Conference

# Youth for Local Democracy

The youth's role in the communities' life, local democracy, and development of self-government

September 26<sup>th</sup> 2020

Yerevan, Hanrapetutyán St., 65, ANI GRAND HOTEL, Panoramic Hall (1<sup>st</sup> floor),

## Agenda

**10:00 - 10:30** Registration and Temperature Measurement

**10:30 - 11:00** Welcoming addresses:

- *Hovsep Khurshudyan*
- *Krzysztof Bartczak*
- *Emin Yeritsyan*
- *Grigor Yeritsyan*

**11:00 - 12:00** Presentations: Visegrad 4 countries' experience in the field of Youth engagement in the Local Self-Governance:

- *Balázs Váradi, Hungary (online)*
- *Andrij Pavlovich, Poland (online)*
- *Jan Cingel, Slovakia (online)*
- *Miroslava Vitaskova, Czech Republic (online)*

**12:00 - 12:30** Coffee break

**12:30 - 13:10** Panel discussion: Local Self-Governance – main challenges

- *Emin Yeritsyan*
- *Abraham Artashesyan*
- *Vahagn Petrosyan*

**13:10 - 13:30** Panel answers questions from the audience

**13:30 - 14:10** Panel Discussion: Main issues in the Local Self-Government in Armenia and the role of youth in monitoring of local authorities: tools and skills

- *Gurgen Ohanyan*
- *Anghela Amirjanyan*
- *Narek Botsinyan*
- *Mary Tevosyan*

**14:10 - 14:30** Panel answers questions from the audience

**14:30 - 15:30** Lunch



**15:30 - 16:30 Presentation of Activities and calls for Projects in Armenia**

- Armenian Territorial Development Fund (ATDF) projects for the development of Communities in Armenia, **Aram Gabrielyan, Tatev Yeghiazaryan**
- Communities Association of Armenia projects in the LSG field: *Covenant of Mayors East (CoM East)*, **Artem Kharazyan**; *EU Mayors for Economic Growth (M4EG)*, **Sevak Hovhannisyan**
- “Online activism” Educational Project organized by the “Progressive Youth” NGO for the Youth from the communities of Armenia, **Grigor Yeritsyan**
- *The EU-funded Project "Citizens voice and actions in Consolidated Communities in Armenia" and other activities of Communities Financier of Armenia (CFOA) in the field of Local Self-Government*, **Levon Harutyunyan**

**16:30 - 16:45 - Short Coffee break**

**16:45 - 17:30 Award Ceremony**

- *Winners of the “V4 for the Youth Engagement in the Local Self-Government” Project’s essay contest and authors of the best recommendations*
- *Winners of the 2019 and 2020 “Free Citizen” nominations*

**17:30 - 17:40 - Closing**

**17:40 - 18:00 Mingle and coffee**



## Moderator

### Hovsep Khurshudyan

Chair of the “Free Citizen” Civic Initiatives Support Center NGO and “V4 for the Youth Engagement in the Local Self-Government” Project Coordinator

## Speakers

<b>Abraham Artashesyan</b> <i>Deputy chairman, Communities Finance officers Associations</i>	<b>Jan Cingel</b> <i>Founder of “Strategic Analysis” Think Tank, Slovakia</i>
<b>Andrij Pavlovich</b> <i>Coordinator at SALTO Eastern Europe and Caucasus Resource Center</i>	<b>Krzysztof Bartczak</b> <i>Chargé d'affaires, First Counsellor Political and Economic Section Embassy of the Republic of Poland in Armenia</i>
<b>Anghela Amirjanyan</b> <i>Expert, Transparency International in Armenia</i>	<b>Levon Harutyunyan</b> <i>Expert, Communities Financier of Armenia</i>
<b>Artem Kharazyan</b> <i>Expert, Communities Association of Armenia</i>	<b>Mary Tevosyan</b> <i>Advisor to the head of Tatev community, Chairwoman for “Eco Youth” youth, environmental, touristic NGO</i>
<b>Aram Grigoryan</b> <i>Institutions Support Unit, Armenian Territorial Development Fund (ATDF)</i>	<b>Miroslava Vitaskova</b> <i>Expert, AGORA Central Europe, Czech Republic</i>
<b>Balázs Váradi</b> <i>Chairman, Budapest Institute for Policy Analysis, Hungary</i>	<b>Narek Botsinyan</b> <i>Board Chairman for Progress Youth NGO</i>
<b>Emin Yeritsyan</b> <i>Chairman, Communities Association of Armenia, Vice-President, Council of Europe Congress of Local and Regional Authorities</i>	<b>Sevak Hovhannisyan</b> <i>Expert, Communities Association of Armenia</i>
<b>Grigor Yeritsyan</b> <i>Chairman, “Progressive Youth” NGO, and Yerevan City Council member</i>	<b>Tatev Yeghiazaryan</b> <i>Training specialist, Institutions Support Unit Armenian Territorial Development Fund</i>
<b>Gurgen Ohanyan</b> <i>Lecturer in Armenian State University of Economics, Candidate of Economic Sciences (Ph.D. in Economics)</i>	<b>Vahagn Petrosyan</b> <i>Expert on Local Self-Government issues, Council of Europe</i>

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