

Conference

„Europe’s Unstable Eastern Neighborhood: What role for Civil Society?”

Václav Havel European Dialogue Conference

Programme

17.30 – 18.00	Registration
18.00 – 18.15	<p>Welcome and Opening remarks</p> <p>MEP Pavel Svoboda, Chairman of Committee on Legal Affairs, EPP Group</p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Martin Povejšil, Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to European Union</p>
18.15 - 19.00	<p>Panel discussions</p> <p>Moderator: Jacques Rupnik, political scientist, Václav Havel Library Trustee</p> <p>Eastern Neighbourhood of the EU</p> <p>What is the development in political thinking in Eastern Partnership countries towards the EU? Is EU engagement in EaP efficient? What is the role of the EU, when faced with assertive Russian policies towards its neighbors? What are the tendencies for civil society Eastern Partnership countries?</p> <p>Volodymyr Ogrysko, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ukraine Ekaterine Tkeshelashvili, Former Minister for Reintegration, Georgia</p>
19.00 - 20.00	<p>European Neighbourhood Policy – state of the play</p> <p>What are the tendencies for civil society Eastern Partnership countries? What are Eastern partnership countries' needs and expectations from the EU and the Eastern Partnership especially for civil society? What should be the EU’s role vis-à-vis civil society in the Eastern partnership countries?</p> <p>Rostislav Valvoda, Director of Prague Civil Society Center, Czech Republic Iryna Shvets, Civic Network OPORA, Ukraine Boris Navasardyan, Yerevan Press Club, Armenia</p>