

GIVE CIVILS A CHANCE!
an international conference
and
CIVILIÁDA 2007
The annual exhibition and conference of Hungarian civil society

Budapest, 18-19 October, 2007

Background

To promote intra- and cross-sectoral dialogue and increase the visibility and public understanding of civil society in Hungary was the goal when European House, a Hungarian NGO working in the field of civil society development and EU integration, initiated and organised the first nonprofit expo in 1996. Entitled Civiliáda 2007 the event will take place for the 12th consecutive year in Budapest on 18-19 October, 2007. The European Year of Equal Opportunities will set the scene for this year's event.

Exhibition

Over 150 civil society organisations are expected to be represented on more than 50 stands where they will provide information on their programmes, activities and introduce themselves to the general public. The organisations exhibiting at Civiliáda 2007 are active in a wide range of fields including: European integration, environment, employment, consumer protection, youth, service providers, human resources, health, women, disabled and many others. The organisers pay special attention to organisations coming from the countryside to be able to actively take part. European institutions and other countries will also be represented.

Programme

Topical and relevant issues of European and Hungarian civil society will be discussed in the form of workshops, seminars, lectures and presentations during the two days of Civiliáda 2007 with focus on issues including communicating Europe, transparency in a European context, involvement of NGOs in the implementation of the National Development Plan, government and civil society strategies and relations, the experiences of the National Civil Fund of Hungary.

Opening conference at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

A conference will take place at 10.00 on the first day (18 October, 2007) of Civiliáda in the Congress Hall of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (Address: Budapest, V., Roosevelt tér 9.). The expected 400 participants represent a cross-section of Hungarian civil society. Speakers include Hungarian MPs and MEPs, representatives of European institutions, the Hungarian government and civil society.

People

Civiliáda 2007 is open to the public. The expected number of visitors during the two days is 3,000.

Host

Civiliáda 2007 is organised by the European House, a Budapest-based Hungarian civil society organisation. Its main objectives are twofold: to strengthen and serve civil society in Hungary and promote the country's European integration process. It has broad contacts in Hungary and internationally.

Venue of Civiliáda 2007:

Aranytíz Cultural Centre
Budapest, V., Arany János u. 10.
Closest Underground stations: Kossuth tér (M2), Arany János utca (M3)

Opening hours of Civiliáda 2007:

18 October (Thursday): 13.00-18.00
19 October (Friday): 10.00-15.00

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