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13:00 – 15:00  
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Forum

## Lifelong Learning Civil Society Forum:

### Concept

While we acknowledge the fact that “education” is not an EU competence, we believe a solid European civic space that fosters the European values of inclusiveness, equity, and active citizenship through education and lifelong learning is crucial. The Lifelong Learning Platform (LLLP) embodies a holistic vision of education, where personal development is front and central in the learning process and beyond. It promotes a Europe-wide cooperation among civil society organisations in order to voice citizens’ concerns vis-à-vis decision-makers on lifelong learning issues; it has been shaping the policy debate and proposing concrete and innovative solutions for lifelong learning to become a reality for all since its foundation. By bringing together actors from all sectors and levels of education and training, the Platform has been contributing to an increased promotion of European values.

However, the latest political developments in Europe are threatening to the very foundation of our core mission and harming the work of our members and partners in the sector. Therefore, the Lifelong Learning Platform consisting of over 40 European and internationally-wide organisations in the field of education and training would like to stress out the importance of Civil Society Dialogue by bringing together all key players in the field to discuss current and future developments of the European lifelong learning policies under the ET2020 strategy.

### Agenda

#### 12.30 Lunch

#### 13.15 Welcome words & Introduction

- ▶ David Lopez, President of LLLP
- ▶ MEP Krasnodebski, European Conservatives and Reformists Group
- ▶ Gina Ebner, Secretary General of EAEA

#### 13.30 Fish bowl discussants moderated by Ela Jakubek, Secretary General of OBESSU

- ▶ Henriette Stoeber, Policy & Project Officer at the European University Association
- ▶ Lorenzo Valles, DG EAC
- ▶ Martina Ni Cheallaigh, DG EMPL
- ▶ Gabi Lombardo, Director of the European Alliance for social Sciences and Humanities
- ▶ Concord Europe – how does civil dialogue in development and cooperation work?

#### 14.45 Closing words

- ▶ Conny Reuter, SOLIDAR



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