



Albania Civil Society Week 2023

#SKILLSFORALL
TO LEARN, WORK, AND ENGAGE



WHAT IS CIVIL SOCIETY WEEK

Civil Society Week (CSW) is a national annual thematic activity, that includes a series of events and dedicated space to the work and promotion of the activity of civil society organizations and activists across the country.

The week creates opportunities for all actors of civil society to come together, as engines of positive changes in society, to discuss and create solutions and joint actions in the future.

Civil Society Week 2023 #CWS2023 will take place from 29 May to 3 June 2023.

Every year has a given theme, in line with international events or important developments for the civil society sector in Albania.

This year theme is "Skills for all: to learn, work and engage" following the European Commission decision to make SKILLS as an overarching theme for the European Year 2023.

The week is organized by the National Resource Centre for Civil Society, Partners Albania for Change and Development, and is implemented in partnership with organizations, activists, and formal and informal civil society groups.

The National Resource Centre for Civil Society in Albania is an initiative of the Partners Albania for Change and Development, implemented in partnership with the Albanian Center for Population and Development (ACPD) and the European Movement in Albania (EMA), with the support of the European Union.

CIVIL SOCIETY WEEK ACTIVITIES

The week includes a series of local activities organized by civil society actors throughout the country, as well as a national event which brings together all interest groups such as civil society organizations, activists, donors, local and central government institutions, academic institutions, businesses, media, etc. in discussion panels dedicated to the theme in focus of the Week.



LOCAL ACTIVITIES OF CIVIL SOCIETY WEEK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CSOs

The local activities of the week include any activity organized during the period of **29 May - 3 June 2023** by CSOs in cooperation with actors and stakeholders, and that contributes to the public discussion of the theme in focus.

The nature of local activities is diverse and inclusive, including discussion forums, seminars, information sessions, awareness raising, networking events and exchange of good practices, visits or tours, open days, training programs, festivals, fairs, or other advocacy activities, etc. Activities can be organised individually or in partnership.

ACTIVITIES TOPICS FOR #CSW2023

This year #CSW2023 aims to create a space of information and discussion, promotion and sharing of practices, development of dialogue, and cross-sectoral/inter-institutional synergy, on the continuous development of skills for all, as a means of adapting and succeeding to the challenges of continually evolving requirements in the job market, and full involvement in society and democracy.

Some examples of topics and issues to be addressed through the activities of the Week are presented below:

- Life Skills
- Lifelong learning
- Participatory democracy: empowering citizens and stakeholders for greater engagement in policymaking
- Developing skills for a more inclusive society with a focus on education and participation for cohesion and social integration
- Vocational training and skills
- Youth skills and labor market needs
- Developing skills for a more sustainable and inclusive economy/employment and self-employment
- Developing skills for all; support through flexible ways/tools, throughout life, suitable for different social groups (especially marginalized groups)
- Demographic changes and market adaptation for active age groups
- Incompatibility of skills with labor market requirements (digital illiteracy, NEET, etc.)
- Digital and green skills/Updating, changing skills in realizing the full potential of individuals through the digital and ecological transition
- Transfer of knowledge and strengthening of the connection between the actors of the society (academia-government institutions-civil society-business-media)
- Post-pandemic situation; adaptive skills, changing the way of working
- Media and Information Literacy
- Etc.

WHAT IS THE ADDED VALUE OF CIVIL SOCIETY WEEK

Civil Society Week is a good opportunity to show how civil society and other interested actors contribute and play an active role in raising and addressing important issues for positive changes in society, joining forces for solutions and joint actions in the future, with broader and all-inclusive impact.

It is also a very good opportunity for networking and partnership development in promoting the activity and contribution of civil society organizations, CSO networks and other actors in the field of education and skills.

HOW TO BE INVOLVED

Civil society organizations can join CSW through:

- Activities organized within their ongoing projects/programs in implementation
- Activities designed specifically for CSW with the financial support of NRC. Financial support will be provided only for a limited number of activities (10-15 activities) and consists of covering the logistic expenses of the events. Preference will be given to civil society organizations and CSO groups with activities outside Tirana and activities proposed and implemented in partnership and with the involvement of as many actors as government institutions, academia, media, etc.



The interested civil society organisation should fill out the [Application Form](#).

The form must be signed and sealed by the organization representative and sent to the address info@resourcecentre.al by **May 2, 2023!**

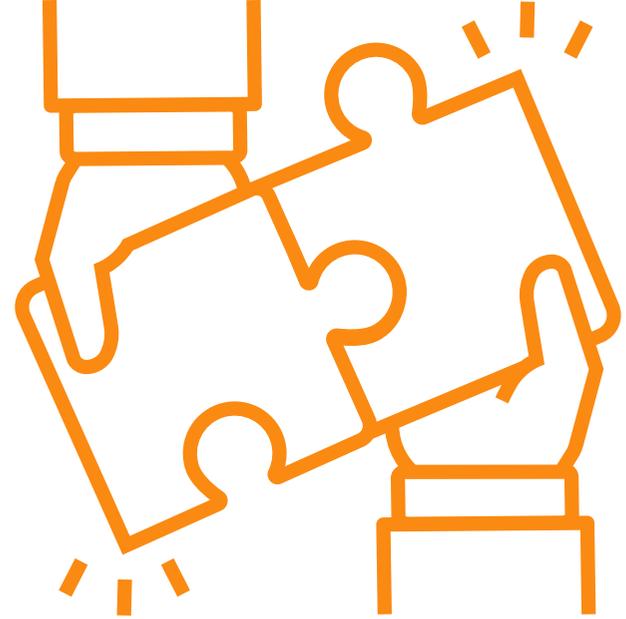
Selected organizations will be contacted by May 5, 2023!

WHO CAN JOIN THE WEEK

All civil society organizations, networks of organizations, activists, or informal groups, who work and contribute to the development and addressing of the above issues can express their interest in joining CSW as a partner organization.

AS PART OF CSW

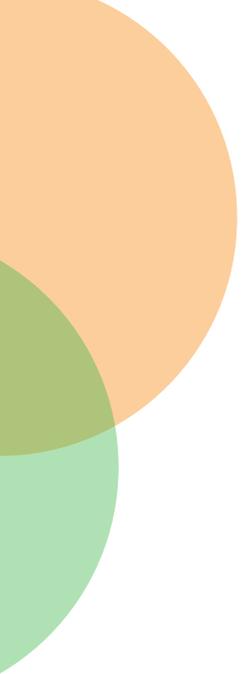
- All the activities of the partner organizations in Civil Society Week, under the dedicated logo of the Week, will be listed, published, and promoted in all the communication networks of the National Resource Centre, as part of the CSW Events Calendar.
- Personalized promotional materials for each local event, in the form of posters and online videos, will be developed by the Centre and shared on all its social media, including brief information on the organization, its work as well as the purpose and impact of the activity.
- The CSW activities will be widely promoted not only through NRC and other implementing partners' communication channels but also through national & local media.
- Civil society actors, and partners of the Week, will be listed as part of the CSW Summary Document, which is widely shared with civil society organizations and donors in the country and region, government institutions at central and local level, academic institutions, media, businesses, etc.



CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

A cooperation agreement will be signed between Partners Albania for Change and Development and the partner organization. Applicants should keep in mind the main objective of Civil Society Week: the week aims to raise awareness on the theme in focus, facilitate discussions about it and increase public and institutional interest, as well as promote the role and contribution of civil society organizations in skill development.

The activities must not be used for commercial, political, or any other kind of interests that might harm the vision and objective of the event.



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For any question about CSW, contact us at info@resourcecentre.al

Find here a summary of the activities of [Civil Society Week 2022](#).