



Fair/Forum of Civil Society Organizations

On May, 4-5, 2007, a coalition of civil society organizations “Civic Initiative Center” will hold the second CSO Fair/Forum at the Exhibition Center – Expo Georgia, 11th Hall (Pavilion). Over 70 organizations representing the non-governmental sector will participate in the Fair/Forum, which aims to increase public awareness about the activities of CSOs operating in Georgia and gives an opportunity to all participants to present a wide range of their activities.

The fair will officially launch on Friday May 4, 12:00 PM at the Exhibition Center Expo-Georgia. The ceremony will host representatives of civil society organizations, local and international foundations, embassies, business sector, government and media representatives.

CSO Fair/Forum is a two-day event, which enables all participating organizations to present their activities, services and achievements in different fields as well as publications and other products, also to hold public presentations and discussions. The Fair/Forum gives visitors an opportunity to meet representatives of various organizations working throughout Georgia, and discuss relevant issues.

The Fair/Forum includes an official ceremony of awarding “**Friends**” of civil society sector, civil society leaders those who have made significant contribution to the development of the civil society sector in Georgia. The ceremony will be held on **May 4, 18:00 at the Expo-Georgia 11th Hall.** 5 candidates were selected for nomination by the jury from candidates presented by CSOs during the period of two months. In 2005 Mr. Gia Nodia, Mr. Davit Usupashvili and Mr. Zurab Zhvania (post mortem), were awarded with the above mentioned honorable awards.

On Saturday, May 5, 18:00, at the end of the second day, a special ceremony will be conducted to award those Civil Society Organizations that were compliant to the **Five Silver Principles of the Code of Ethics.**

As an official closing event, the organizers will give a brief summary of the Fair/Forum.

Founded in 2004 “Civic Initiative Center” is coalition of 7 prominent CSOs operating throughout Georgia. The members of the Coalition are: Association of Young Economists of Georgia, Center for Change and Conflict Management/Partners Georgia, Center for Strategic Research and Development of Georgia, Center for Training and Consultancy, Civil Society Institute, the Caucasian Institute for Peace, Democracy and Development, United Nations Association of Georgia.

The Fair is supported by the US Agency for International Development (USAID), Open Society Georgia Foundation and Eurasia Foundation.

The organizers of the fair are “Civic Initiative Center”, Partners Georgia and the United Nations Association of Georgia.

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For detailed information about CSO Fair/Forum please visit official website of “Civic Initiative Center”:
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