

Agenda

The Role of Civil Society and Cooperation with the EU in peacebuilding – focusing on local ownership and mediation: Challenges and Opportunities

22 November 2017 9:00 – 10:30 AM

**Hosted by the EU Delegation to the UN,
666 Third Ave, between 42nd and 43rd streets, 31st FL.**

Discussions moderated by Ms. Gabriëlla Vogelaar, GPPAC

9:00	Welcome and introduction	Ms. Joanne Adamson, Deputy Head of the EU Delegation to the UN
9:05	The WOSCAP project in a nutshell, and objectives of the meeting	Ms. Gabriëlla Vogelaar, Project Manager WOSCAP & Regional Coordinator for GPPAC Europe, Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict
9:10	The EU's efforts in engaging civil society and ensuring local ownership in mediation – Key findings from WOSCAP's research report	Mr. Toon Dirkx, PhD fellow, Swisspeace & University of Basel
9:25	Interactive discussion	
9:40	Role of civil society and examples of EU's engagement and practices in local ownership and mediation: looking at cases of Mali and Yemen	Ms. Kristina Miletic, Project Officer WOSCAP & Regional Coordinator for GPPAC Western Balkans, GPPAC - Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict
9:50	Opportunities identified and ways forward	Ms. Gabriëlla Vogelaar, Project Manager WOSCAP & Regional Coordinator for GPPAC Europe, Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict
10:00	Interactive discussion	
10:30	End of the meeting	

Some of the questions this meeting will seek to address are:

- How can the UN and EU (and member states) enhance their collaboration to address common challenges and build on each other's strengths? What opportunities and links can be identified?
- How can engagement with civil society at the national and local level contribute to local ownership and inclusivity of peacebuilding processes?

The research report "EU capabilities in conflict prevention and peacebuilding: Challenges, strengths and opportunities of a Whole-of-Society approach" is available [here](#).

Visit www.woscap.eu/publications for more specific reports on topics and case studies including on mediation, local ownership, Mali and Yemen.

