

Eurosfat - Romania and Europe during the crisis Citizens' consultations on the State of the Union

The Europuls Association and its partners will organise on March 15, 2013, in the Parliament Palace in Bucharest, the event entitled *Eurosfat - Romania and Europe during the crisis, Citizens' consultations on the State of the Union*.

A one day event, *Eurosfat* aims to bring closer civil society representatives, politicians and Romanian citizens to European Union issues. It will do so by organizing a forum of discussions around Romania's position as a European member state, its policies and perspectives of European integration. The event is organized by the Europuls Association together with other Romanian and European organisations such as: Notre Europe-Jacques Delors Institute (France), Citizens for Europe (Germany), Charles Leopold Foundation (Switzerland), The Foundation for Civil Society Development (FDSC), Aspen Institute, The Romanian Centre for European Policies (CRPE), ANPCDEFP, The European Development Platform, GEA Consulting (Romania). Moreover, *Eurosfat* is organized under the high patronage of the Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union and the Romanian Chamber of Deputies and with the support of Embassy of the United Kingdom and of the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Romania. The event is supported by the European Commission in the framework of the European Year of Citizens 2013.

The event will consist of eight workshops organised in two parallel sessions and two plenary sessions- an opening debate and a concluding session. Over 500 participants will attend the workshops and plenary sessions. They will have the opportunity to come together with distinguished *Eurosfat* invitees: Dacian Cioloș, the European Commissioner on Agriculture and Rural Development, Members of the European Parliament, Members of the Romanian Parliament, Ministers and other high officials from the Romanian and European administration, Romanian and foreign EU affairs specialists.

The aim of each workshop is to produce recommendations based on consultations with citizens and with the approval of workshop organisers. These recommendations will be put together in one document which will be publically presented to national and European decision-makers one month later in a conference held in the European Parliament. *Eurosfat* as aims to be an annual event, reuniting citizens and stakeholders interested in European topics. *Eurosfat* is a development platform which will allow Romanian civil society and experts to suggest policy proposals to national and European institutions.

The Europuls Association is an organisation of young Romanian professionals aiming to foster the process of European integration in Romania. The association seeks to encourage public debates on European issues by improving the level of knowledge and understanding of European values by Romanians, through articles and studies, as well as by organising public debates, workshops and conferences.

Eurosfat – Workshop Themes

Conferences	Round tables
<p>1. Is Romania's aim to join the Euro zone still well – founded / reasonable?</p> <p><i>In partnership with European Development Platform</i></p> 	<p>5. The healthcare reform and European good practices</p> <p><i>In partnership with Friedrich Ebert Foundation</i></p> 
<p>2. The European data protection and data security reform</p> <p><i>In partnership with the Aspen Institute</i></p> 	<p>6. Effective management of structural funds</p> <p><i>In partnership with Civil Society Development Foundation</i></p> 
<p>3. The second European energypackage: priorities and challenges for the Romanian market</p> <p><i>In partnership with Expert Forum</i></p> 	<p>7. How does the Romanian media communicate about the EU?</p> <p><i>In partnership with Euromonitor International</i></p> 
<p>4. Development perspectives for Romania's semi-subsistence agriculture</p> <p><i>In partnership with Romanian Centre for European Policies (CRPE)</i></p> 	<p>8. European citizenship between theory and reality</p> <p><i>In partnership with ANPCDEFP</i></p> 

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