

## G20 Civil Summit

G20 Civil Summit – Civil20 Summit – will be held on June 13-14, 2013 in President Hotel in Moscow. The event will be attended by over 350 people – representatives of civil society, international organizations, businesses and mass media, as well as officials.

Civil society at the summit will be represented by the delegates of the G20, representatives of non-profit organizations and academia – the participants of the working groups to develop Civil20 recommendations, the Global NGOs working group and civil society groups.

Civil 20 Summit is a concluding event of the civil track under Russia's official G20 presidency. Its main objective is a productive dialogue between global civil society, politicians and decision-makers on the basis of the priorities stated in the official agenda of the Russian presidency. The Civil20 recommendations are expected to influence the G20 Summit agenda and political leaders' final communiqué. It should be noted that Russia was the first country-chair to hold the meeting of the Civil20 in such a format.

Summit program will consist of plenary sessions, cross-sectional sessions, working groups meetings, open discussion forums and public meeting of the Drafting Committee.

The final Address to the G20 leaders, or civil communiqué, will include a preamble and nine topical recommendation blocks reflecting all the directions of the work of this “outreach” group. Communiqué was developed on the basis of position papers of Civil20 working and target groups and sent to participants two weeks before the Summit. This was done in order to promote an informed discussion at a public meeting of the Drafting Committee and the adoption at the final session.

The civil summit was preceded by an extensive preparatory work. According to Alena Peryshkina, Co-chair of Russian G8/G20 NGOs Working Group, the Russian presidency is unprecedented, since in the course of preparations for the Civil Summit a broad and transparent process of discussion was organized. Within six months, experts from among the representatives of NGOs and research institutes with the involvement of the public from different countries have developed proposals which will be presented at the summit.

In December 2012, a conference entitled “Civil Society's Vision to the Russian G20 Presidency” was held.

Subsequently, seven working groups worked on proposals in the following directions: environmental sustainability and energy, anti-corruption, international financial architecture, jobs and employment matters, financial inclusion and financial education, food security, post-2015 development agenda.

For a more extensive involvement of the public in the development of proposals a crowdsourcing online platform called *Civil20 – Dialogues* has been developed, which helped working groups collect suggestions from international civil society, held discussions, share documents, and vote for the recommendations proposed. The discussions were attended by over a thousand people.

Also a series of round tables to discuss the recommendations of the Civil20 was held in the Civic Chamber of the Russian Federation.

One of the Civil20 working groups that includes representatives of international academic community and NGOs prepared two reports: *Implementing G20 Decisions* and *Sustained and*

*Balanced Growth Requires Equal Opportunities.* The other working groups have also issued position papers containing recommendations to the G20 in selected areas.

For more information on the work of the Civil20 and the Civil20 Summit (including its program) please go to the following website: <http://www.g20civil.com/>.

Information about the *Civil20 – Dialogues* platform is available at the following address: <http://dialogues.civil20.org/>.

**Media representatives can be accredited for the Civil20 Summit from May 27 until 3 p.m. on June 12, 2013, at <http://www.g20org.ru>.**

Within the framework of the Civil Summit a series of events for the media is planned:

***June 13, 2013:***

**10:00** – Media scrum by **Ksenia Yudaeva**, Chief of the Presidential Experts’ Directorate and Russian G20 Sherpa, and **Mikhail Fedotov**, Chairman of the Presidential Council for Civil Society and Human Rights.

**12:00** – Media scrum on the results of the “Economic Growth and Civil Society” plenary session by **Arkady Dvorkovich**, Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation, **Alexei Kudrin**, the dean of the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Sciences Department, St Petersburg State University, and **Huguette Labelle**, Transparency International Board Chair.

**14:00** – Media scrum by **Sergei Storchak**, Deputy Finance Minister of the Russian Federation, **Gennady Onishchenko**, head of the Federal Service for Supervision of Consumer Rights’ Protection and Human Welfare, and **Michel Sidibe**, United Nations Deputy Secretary-General, Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Program on HIV and AIDS (UNAIDS).

**14:30** – Media scrum on the basis of panel discussions by **Marina Larionova**, Director of the International Organizations Research Institute, National Research University Higher School of Economics, co-chairman of the Russian working group of civil society organizations to interact with the G8 and the G20, **Daniel Funes de Rioja**, Co-chair of Jobs and Employment Working Group, Executive Vice-President, International Organization of Employers (Argentina), **Igor Lavrovski**, Co-chair of International Financial Architecture Civil20 Working Group, Chairman of the Committee on Monetary Policy, “Business Russia”.

***June 14, 2013:***

**10:00** – Press briefing of the members of the drafting committee by **Maggie Murphy**, senior program coordinator at Transparency International (Germany), **Vladimir Chuprov**, head of the Energy Department, Greenpeace, Co-chair of the Civil 20 Environmental Sustainability and Energy Working Group, **Nicole Cardinal**, Co-chair of Post-2015 MDGs Civil20 Working Group, a senior adviser to Save the Children (Australia).

**G20 Civil Summit Programme –**

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