Institute for Development and Social Initiatives "Viitorul" – Viitorul is an independent think tank, established in 1993 as a research and advocacy think tank, incorporated by Moldovan laws on non-for-profit and NGOs. As an independent think tank, IDIS is combining social, political and economic research with solid advocacy components. It undertakes applied field research and monitor targeted issues in several fields: economics, subsidiarity, social policy, EU policies, regional development, but also security risks and foreign policy, but, it also plans and implement regular policy debates and conferences, conduct considerable outreach activities, and regularly uphold an active presence in mass media.

Mission: To be a leading public policy institute essentially contributing to the growth of independent thinking environment, competitiveness of the Moldovan society and economy, in a well governed state, favorable to educated citizenship. Our Institute consists from a number of cluster-fields (economics, taxation, decentralization, foreign policy, regional development, social and educational policy), where teams of dedicated experts conduct research, train or advocate for policy changes, with outstanding knowledge and expertise.

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PRIORITY FIELDS OF WORK: building an efficient, transparent, fair and credible judiciary; raising awareness of authorities about human rights problems and identifying sustainable solutions for them; building a culture of respect for human rights; developing human rights friendly public policies.

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Priority fields of work:
✓ Promoting and defending human rights in the Transnistrian region;
✓ Combating torture and inhuman or degrading treatment;
✓ Promoting and defending the right to liberty and security of persons;
✓ Preventing and combating gender-based violence;
✓ Combating discrimination and promoting equality;
✓ Promoting and defending freedom of assembly;
✓ Combating hate speech and promoting clean public speech;
✓ Promoting observance of the electoral rights in Moldova;
✓ Strengthening electoral transparency and accountability mechanisms;
✓ Increasing public trust in the electoral and democratic processes in Moldova;
✓ Enhancing transparency of the electoral processes through financial monitoring, audit and public reporting of expenditures by elections stakeholders;
✓ Increasing awareness about election processes by issuing periodic election observation reports and conducting a communication campaigns;
✓ Increasing civic and voter engagement and responsibility of Moldovan citizens through comprehensive voter education campaigns.

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During the visit, hosted by the National Youth Council Moldova, a workshop will be organized. Please find below more details:

Platform for Active Citizenship and Human Rights Partnership with National NGOs Council from Moldova and Volunteering Coalition will organize the workshop “Partnerships to develop the civil society”

The aim of this workshop is to present to the interested organizations from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bulgaria, Georgia, Romania, Turkey and Ukraine examples of collaborations which were developed in the last decade in order to develop the civil society from Moldova.

Within the event will be a presentation of the NGOs Forum and the entity which represent the Forum between its editions. At the Forum are discussed important subjects for the civil society and after is elaborated a Resolution. The document reveals the most important issues, few areas of intervention and which are the expectations from the Government, Parliament and CSOs related to the development of the associative sector. An example of resolution can be accessed HERE. The Forum takes place once in two years, with more than 100 representatives of organizations / network of organizations as participants. Within the Forum also is elected the NGOs Council, which act as a non-formal board of the Forum. The NGO Council have a Secretariat/General Secretary and in the election of the leadership positions (President, Vice-president) is applied the principle of rotation.

Speaker: Olga Gordila, Vice-president of the NGOs Council; Foundation for Development from Moldova

Civil Society Development Strategy is one of the NGOs Council products which reflect the expectations from the NGOs Forum Resolution. It’s a product which was promoted by the organizations which are members of the CN ONG, but process of elaboration, which takes place in partnership with Government and Parliament, is opened to all interested NGOs. The Strategy is elaborated with a part of the ministries which assume / assess a part of implementation costs. The Strategy has three chapters:

- Civil society participation in decision-making;
- Financial viability of CSOs;
- Active citizenship and volunteering.

Speaker: Antonița Fonari, Executive Director, Platform for Active Citizenship and Human Rights Partnership

The third chapter of the Civil Society Development Strategy is Volunteering and Active Citizenship. It aims to develop the volunteering and active citizenship through the creation of a national volunteering centre, reimbursement of the expenses related to volunteering activities, promoting of education in the spirit of volunteering, establishing a solid system of recognition and promotion of non-formal education etc.

Speaker: Igor Ciurea, General Secretary, National Youth Council

The products which are at the base of the development and the promotion of volunteering in Moldova are:
• National Conference on Volunteering – is a two-year event in which the interested parties, as CSOs, volunteers, authorities representatives, discuss all together and identify the main goals and desires of the development of volunteering at the public policies level;
• National Volunteering Week – is the biggest event for promotion of volunteering and volunteers recruitment. In the last edition were involved more than 20000 volunteers from all over the country;
• Volunteers Festival – is an event in which are recognized the merits of volunteers. Before the festival is launched an application call for different categories, as most active volunteer, best volunteers coordinator etc. After the selection process, are picked the best candidates and they are rewarded within the Volunteers Festival gala.

Speaker: Andrei Gaiu, Executive Director, “Youth for the right to live” Association, Secretariat of the Volunteering Coalition.

*All speakers are involved in the activity of the National NGOs Council and/or Volunteering Coalition.

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