

28th January, 2016
Hotel Szent István
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“The role of civil society.....”

- on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the creation of the Carpathian Foundation (CF)–

10:00-10:20 - *Opening speeches*

- Boglárka Bata, Sándor Köles (Carpathian Foundation-Hungary)
- **Arild Moberg Sande (Royal Norwegian Embassy in Budapest, Charge d’Affaires a.i.)**
- Statements of the former presidents of Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia

10:20-11:00 - *The Carpathian Project (Past, Present, Future of the Carpathian Euroregion and the Carpathian Foundation)* Roundtable discussion with the following speakers:

Rudolf Bauer (Central European Service for Cross-border Initiative, CESCO), Dr. Serhii Ustych (Institute for Transborder Cooperation), and Istvan Zacharias (Vice-president of Kosice County)

– **moderator: Sándor Köles**

11:00–11:40 - *The road so far ... – the main challenges of CEE (civil) society in the last 20-25 years* – Roundtable discussion with the following speakers: Carpathian Foundation country directors (Ruslan Zhylenko, Laura Dittel, Boglárka Bata) – **moderator: Zsolt Szekeres (Carpathian Foundation-Hungary)**

11:40 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 - 12:40 - *The main challenges ahead CEE (civil) society from donors’ aspect* – Roundtable discussion with the following speakers: Vera Móra (Ökotárs Foundation), Péter Nizák (Open Society Foundation), and András Nun (Autonómia Foundation) – **moderator: Laura Dittel (Carpathian Foundation-Slovakia)**

12:40-13:40 Lunch

13:40-14:20 –*The main challenges ahead CEE (civil) society from the view of development organizations working on the countryside* – Zsuzsanna Farkas, (Support the Poor Foundation, SZETA), Slávka Macakova (ETP Slovensko), Patryk Halaczkiwicz (European Cooperation Centre) – **moderator: Ruslan Zhylenko (Carpathian Foundation-Ukraine)**

14:20 – 14:50 Coffee break

14:50-15:30 – *The main challenges ahead CEE (civil) society from the aspect of grassroot organizations (small CSOs) from the countryside* – Irén Lázár (Association For the Roma of



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Szomolya), Jozef Jarina (Bardejov Community Foundation), Adrian Simon (Pro-Democracy Association)– **moderator: Boglárka Bata**

15:30-15:50 *Closing remarks and discussion on possible follow ups* – Sándor Köles

18:00-20:00 - 20th Anniversary Reception