Preliminary Programme

WIKA Workshop 2019
The Role of Civil Society in Cultural Relations

PRE-WORKSHOP EVENT: Wednesday, 25 September 2019 | WeltRaum I ifa I Charlottenplatz 17 I Stuttgart

19:30 – 21:00 h

Young Mediterranean Voices – Live Debate

Subject (TBC): Youth as Central Actor of Civil Society

Listen to the voices of young engaged citizens of the Euro-Mediterranean region debating live!

In cooperation with the Anna Lindh Foundation

Moderator: Sirine Ben Brahim

Debaters: Mohammed Abdedaim, Fatima Boulahdoud, Burak Yusmak, Jakub Zientala

WORKSHOP: Thursday, 26 September 2019 | WeltRaum I ifa I Charlottenplatz 17 I Stuttgart

10:00 h

Words of Welcome

Ronald Grätz, Secretary General of ifa

Prof. Dr. Caroline Y. Robertson-von Trotha, Chairwoman of the Academic Council for Culture and Foreign Policy (WIKA) at ifa

Founding Director ZAK | Centre for Cultural and General Studies at KIT

Coordinator of the German Network of the Anna Lindh Foundation

Civil Society in the Strategical Process 2020 of German Foreign Cultural Policy

Presentation by members of the Working Group “Civil Society in AKBP”

11:00 – 12:30 h

Atelier 1: Cultural Cooperation and Shrinking Spaces

Moderation: Dr. Annika Hampel, Scientific Coordinator, Merian Institute for Advanced Studies Africa (MIASA)

Managing Director, Africa Centre for Transregional Research, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS) & Arnold Bergstraesser Institute (ABI)

If not for Democracy for What?

Prof. Dr. Annette Zimmer, Professor of German and European Social Policy and Comparative Politics at and Director of the Institute of Political Science, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
Lights, Camera, & Action
Kevin Mwachiro, LGBTQI*-Podcaster, Writer, Journalist and Activist in Kenya

Dr. Rupert Graf Strachwitz, Board of Directors of Maecenata Foundation, Director of Maecenata Institute for Philanthropy and Civil Society

12:30 – 13:45 h
Atelier 2: Youth as Civil Society Actors
Moderation: Jana Scheible, Programme Coordinator for the German-Chinese forum on cultural education in cooperation with Stiftung Mercator at ifa

Starting Them Young: The Role of Civil Society in Advancing Digital Literacy for Girls in Indonesia
Michael Canares, Former Senior Research Manager at the World Wide Web Foundation (Project “Starting them Young: Advancing Data Literacy for Girls in Indonesia”, Goethe-Institut Indonesia, PASCH-Initiative, Open Data Labs Jakarta and World Wide Web Foundation)

Rethinking Diplomacy through Youth in the Mediterranean Region
Burak Yusmak, Alumnus Young Mediterranean Voices Leadership

13:45 – 14:45 h
Lunch

14:45 – 16:00 h
Atelier 3: Civil Society and Statehood
Moderation: Sarah Widmaier, Scientific Coordinator of ifa’s Research Programme “Culture and Foreign Policy”

Dr. Susann Worschech, Research Associate, Faculty of Cultural Studies, European Studies Institute, European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder), Expert of ifa’s Research Programme „Culture and Foreign Policy”

Changing Contexts and Trends in Syrian Civil Society
Jelnar Ahmad, Monitoring & Evaluation Manager at IMPACT – Civil Society Research and Development e.V.

16:00 – 17:15 h
Closing Session: Synopsis

Bringing together the results of the Working Group “Civil Society in AKBP” and the WIKA-Workshop

Moderation:
Dr. Odila Triebel, Head of Dialogue and Research “Culture and Foreign Policy” at ifa
Swenja Zaremba, Research Fellow at ZAK | Centre for Cultural and General Studies at KIT
Coordinator of the German Network of the Anna Lindh Foundation
17:15 – 17:30 h  
**Concluding Remarks**  
Prof. Dr. Caroline Y. Robertson-von Trotha

19:30 – 21:30 h  
**ifa Research Award on Foreign Cultural Policy**  
**Award Ceremony and Reception**

This year’s workshop takes place in close collaboration of ifa and ZAK with the Foreign Office’s working group “Civil Society” in line with the Strategical Process 2020 of the German Foreign Cultural Policy, the Goethe Institut e.V. and the Anna Lindh Foundation. It is headed by the Chairwoman of WIKA, Prof. Dr. Caroline Y. Robertson-von Trotha.

Please, note that the programme is subject to change, and will be updated continuously up to the workshop. If you have any comments or questions directly related to the programme, please contact swenja.zaremba@kit.edu.