

Training session on the European Social Charter and its monitoring procedures : dedicated to civil society organisations

Hybrid/ online meeting, 2 October 2026, 9.30 - 12.00

Council of Europe, Agora Building, Room G03

PROGRAMME

9:30-09:35 Opening :

Henrik KRISTENSEN, Head of Department of Social Rights, Council of Europe

Gerhard ERMISCHER, President of the Conference of International Non-Governmental Organisations (CINGO)

Session I: Engaging within the context of the Reporting Procedure

9:35 – 9:50

General overview of the reporting procedure of the European Social Charter

Speaker: **Tatiana PUIU**, Vice-President of the ECSR

9:50– 10:05

Presentation of the targeted questions under the reporting procedure for Conclusions 2027

Speaker: **Aoife NOLAN**, President of the ECSR

10:05 – 10:25

The role of civil society: contributions, opportunities, case example from ... on submitting comments to national reports

Speaker:

Stefan CLAUWERT, Senior Legal and Human Rights Advisor, European Trade Union Confederation

Olesia Balyan, Advocacy Officer, CARITAS Ukraine

10:25 – 10:50

Q&A session on the state reporting procedure

Session II: Engaging within the context of the Collective Complaints Procedure

10:50 – 11:10

General overview of the collective complaints procedure of the European Social Charter, including follow-up.

Speakers:

George THEODOSIS, Vice-Presidents of the ECSR

11:10 – 11:30

The role of civil society: contributions, opportunities, case example from ERRC, FEANTSA, ICJ and ETUC¹

Speakers:

Karolína BABICKÁ – Legal Adviser, International Commission of Jurists (ICJ)

Maria Jose ALDANAS, Human Rights Policy Officer FEANTSA

11:30 – 11:50

Q&A session on collective complaints procedure

11.50 -12.00 Closing and next steps

Speaker: **Aoife Nolan**, President of the ECSR

¹ Trade union