



## ANNUAL FORUM ON LOCAL DEMOCRACY

Since 2017 the Union has started to organise annual forums on local democracy in cooperation with local and international partners.

Each year focusing on a specific theme the forum is aimed at fostering a constructive dialogue on development of local democracy in Armenia by bringing together all stakeholders of the local self-government system in Armenia.

The first forum

*“Outlook for the future: a new agenda for decentralisation”* was organised on 10 November 2017 on the local self-government day in Armenia, in partnership with the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of Armenia (MTAD) and the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe. The forum focused on the theme of decentralisation of powers and finances of local authorities. Ms Gudrun Mosler Törnström, the President of the Congress was among the guests of the forum.

The second forum

*“Decentralisation and local economic development”* was organised on 12 November 2018 in partnership with MTAD, the Conference of Regional and Local Authorities for the Eastern Partnership of the EU (CORLEAP) and the Congress. The forum focused on discussion of possibilities for localisation of international policies and strategies for local economic development, as well as review of the successful local economic development initiatives implemented by the local and regional authorities of Armenia, the Eastern Partnership member states and other European countries.

The annual forums on local democracy have been organised with the support of the Council of Europe and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation.



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