

EU-LAC FOUNDATION'S NEWSLETTER EU-LAC Fora 2023









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Introduction

On 27 October 2022, during the CELAC-EU Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Buenos Aires, the authorities of the countries of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) and the Member States of the European Union (EU) expressed their commitment to organise a Summit of Heads of State and Government of both regions to be held in July 2023.

In view of this Summit, the EU-LAC Foundation, whose mandate is to link the intergovernmental process with the civil societies of both regions, intends to contribute substantial inputs to this dialogue at the highest bi-regional level.

It is in this context that we propose to organise the **three EU-LAC Fora**, with the aim of facilitating exchange and joint

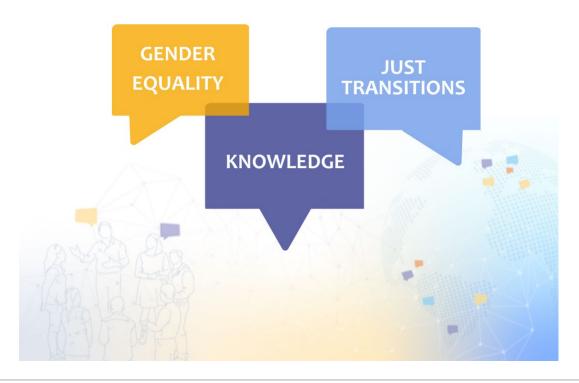
work between Latin American, Caribbean and European representatives of civil society networks and organisations, international organisations, the academic sector, and experts specialised in the subject. The objective is to generate inputs for the adoption of common lines of programmes and public policies, as well as initiatives of civil society actors that help to articulate and strengthen the links between the societies of both regions in the areas of Knowledge, Gender Equality and Just Transitions.

We cordially invite you to consider applying to participate in the EU-LAC Fora that will take place in April and May in a **hybrid format.**





CIVIL SOCIETY EXCHANGES AHEAD OF THE EU-CELAC SUMMIT



Tenders



Open Call **EU-LAC Knowledge Forum**

24-25 April, 2023

The Knowledge Forum will be implemented in a hybrid format - face-to-face and virtual - in cooperation with the AECID Training Centre in Montevideo, Uruguay.

This Knowledge Forum is convened with the following objectives in mind:

- Facilitate an exchange on policy developments and achievements, mechanisms and programmes to foster cooperation between the two regions in the areas of (higher) education, science, technology and innovation.
- Facilitate joint analysis of bottlenecks and current challenges in advancing (higher) education, science, technology and innovation issues;
- Stimulate the formulation of concrete proposals to be taken into consideration by decision-makers in both regions, and by the authorities of educational, scientific

- and higher education institutions, particularly with a view to supporting the reporting to the EU-CELAC Summit of Heads of State and Government in July 2023;
- Provide a space to articulate sub-regional, regional and bi-regional scientific initiatives and cooperation and thus enhance their potential impact.

This Forum aims to involve in the dialogue representatives of student and alumni initiatives, as well as networks, associations, organisations, and foundations working in education, academia, universities, and science in the countries of the European Union and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Interested parties are kindly requested to submit their expression of interest until 7 March 2023 (23:59 CET) via this link.

If you have any questions, please send them to the following email: knowledge@eulacfoundation.org.

Read more about this tender here!



Open Call **EU-LAC Gender Equality Forum**

11-12 May, 2023

The Gender Equality Forum is organised by the EU-LAC Foundation and its EU-LAC Women's International Network, it will be implemented in a hybrid format – in-person and virtual – in cooperation with the German Federal Foreign Office and the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation as co-hosts, and the Unidas Network and GIZ as implementing partners.

This Gender Equality Forum is convened with the following objectives in mind:

- Facilitate an exchange on progress and achievements in policies, mechanisms and programmes to promote cooperation between the two regions on the human rights of women and LGBTIQ+ persons, and gender equality;
- Facilitate joint analysis on current challenges to advance the realisation rights of women and LGBTIQ+ persons and the reduction of gender inequalities in the social, economic and environmental spheres;

- Stimulate the formulation of concrete proposals to be taken into consideration by decision-makers in both regions, and by the authorities, particularly to supporting information for the EU-CELAC Summit of Heads of State and Government in July 2023;
- Provide a space to articulate sub-regional, regional and biregional gender equality initiatives and cooperation and thus enhance their potential impact.

This Forum aims to involve, in particular, representatives of initiatives, networks, associations, organisations working on gender equality and the rights of girls and women and LGBTIQ+ persons in the countries of the European Union and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Interested parties are kindly requested to submit their expression of interest until 7 March 2023 (23:59 CET) <u>via this link.</u>

If you have any questions, please send them to the following email: genderequality@eulacfoundation.org.

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Open Call **EU-LAC Just Transitions Forum**

15-16 May 2023

The Just Transitions Forum will be implemented in a hybrid format (in-person and online), to enable larger participation from both regions. The Forum will take place over one and a half days.

The Just Transitions Forum will provide a discussion space for academics, scientists, experts, and representatives of civil society organisations to have the opportunity to:

- Analyse the status and instruments of the EU-LAC bi-regional cooperation on issues related to climate change adaptation and mitigation, just energy transition and inclusive digital transformation.
- Discuss the main limitations of EU-LAC bi-regional cooperation in the areas of just green transition and inclusive digital transformation.
- Discuss opportunities for deepening EU-LAC bi-regional cooperation in the areas of climate change adaptation and mitigation, just energy transition and inclusive digital 8

transformation, considering regional and sub-regional interests, agendas, and strategies, as well as the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.

- Provide public policy recommendations in the framework of the EU-LAC cooperation for bi-regional priorities related to climate change adaptation and mitigation, just energy transition, and inclusive digital transformation.
- Provide a space to articulate sub-regional, regional, and bi-regional initiatives and cooperation, particularly of young people from both regions.

Interested parties are kindly requested to submit their expression of interest until 10 March 2023 (23:59 CET) <u>via this link</u>.

If you have any questions, please send them to the following email: justtransitions@eulacfoundation.org.

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