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«Public councils: achievements and demands»

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The European Union funded “Strengthening Civil Society Participation in Public Councils in Kyrgyzstan” project is implemented in partnership between the Gustav-Stresemann-Institut e.V. (GSI), Bonn, Germany and the Human Rights Advisory Board (HRAB), Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan would kindly invite you to a presentational conference, which will present results of the surveys recently conducted. The survey’s aim was to explore civil society’s perceptions of newly established “Public Councils” in Kyrgyzstan.

Public councils are advisory and monitoring bodies established on a voluntary basis from representatives of civil society to interaction and cooperation with ministries, state committees and administrative departments.

Aims of the conference: consolidation of public initiatives legal needs, presentation of the survey results, training needs assessment and introduction of further project plans.

Participants of the conference are the representatives of the President Apparatus, Government Apparatus, state authorities, local self governments, international and nonprofit organizations, PCs, SPCs, and mass media of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Date/time: **Friday, June 2, 2017 from 14:00 to 17:00.**

Location: **The Hotel Plaza**, 52, Togolok Moldo st., Bishkek

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*The **Human Rights Advisory Board (HRAB)** was founded in 2005 by the Ombudsman and the Supreme Court of KR and the Danish Institute for Human Rights with the aim of creating a national dialogue platform between state and civil society to promote human rights and rule of law and raise awareness of human rights among the population.*

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