NGOFest
20 - 22 May 2016
The Romanian National Fair of Non-Governmental Organisations
ONGFest is the most important outdoor event of the Romanian civil society.

It is organized within the NGO Fund Programme in Romania, with the support of the Municipality of Bucharest. The NGO Fund Programme in Romania is part of the assistance provided to Romania within EEA Grants 2009 – 2014. It is implemented by the leading consortium formed by the Civil Society Development Foundation (CSDF), the Foundation for Partnership (FP) and the Resource Centre for Roma Communities (CRRC).

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Venue: **Bucharest**, indoor (venue to be confirmed) and outdoor (Herăstrău Park)

Its **aim** is to increase the number of citizens actively engaged in the community, to develop the associative culture and to enhance Romanian NGOs’ involvement in the society.
ONGFest 2016 is about civic innovation. Showcasing NGOs that permanently seek solutions to the difficulties faced by those around them. NGOs dare to do something different and have the courage to create new models, adapted to the reality. Visionaries who opened the way out of their desire to make things work better.

Since innovation works best only through collaboration, we present partnerships between NGOs and companies or public institutions having the same goal: to bring an improvement where needed.

And last but not least, we answer questions. Is innovation rather about technology, or it is simply about reinventing an existing model? When is it welcome and when not? What is the edge between creativity and efficiency? We invite those who had the courage to innovate to debate and explain us how they did it and what their conclusions are.

We talk about something different, something alternative and new. About how we dare to dream and how we keep up with the times.
Over 150 NGOs attending, from all over Romania and from abroad (Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Cyprus, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain)

Foreign participating NGOs will:
- get general and specific insights on the civil society sector in Romania
- get to know Romanian NGOs working similar domains, exchange experience and initiate project ideas with them or with other foreign NGOs participating
- have the chance to directly interact with the Romanian citizens, local and central authorities and the business environment

At least 20,000 visitors foreseen

In order to mobilize citizens, ONGFest will be promoted as an interesting and interactive way to spend free time, with its own events: street theatre, exhibitions, dance performances, concerts, practical workshops for children and adults, together with seminars, workshops and debates.
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