

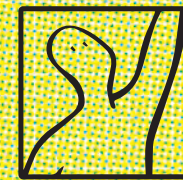
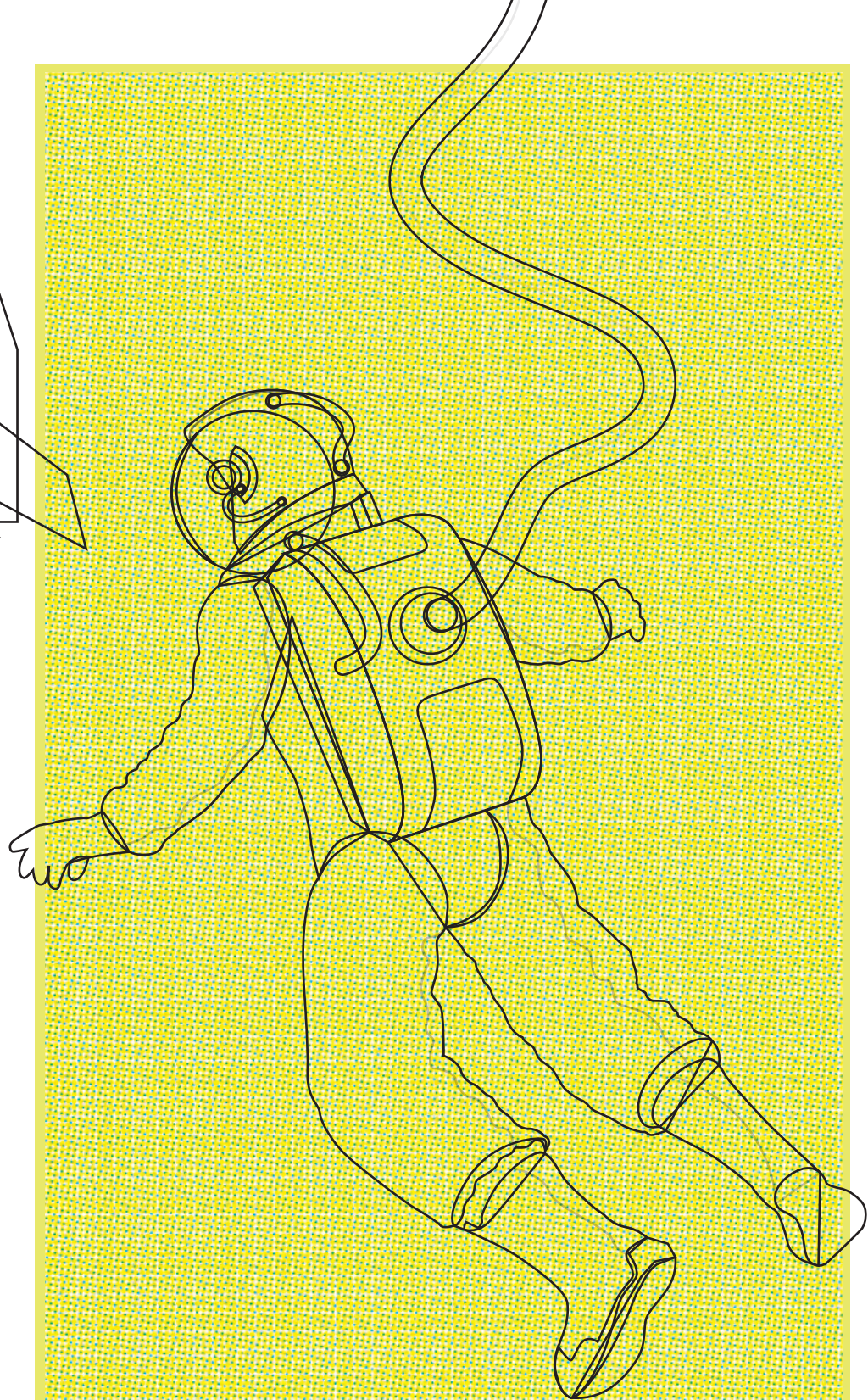
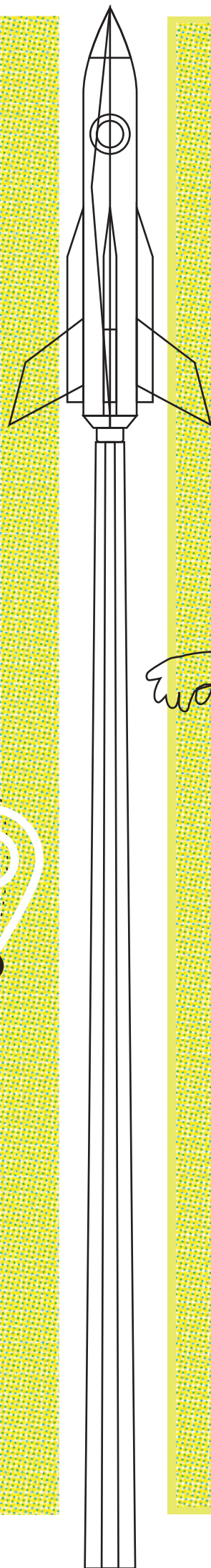
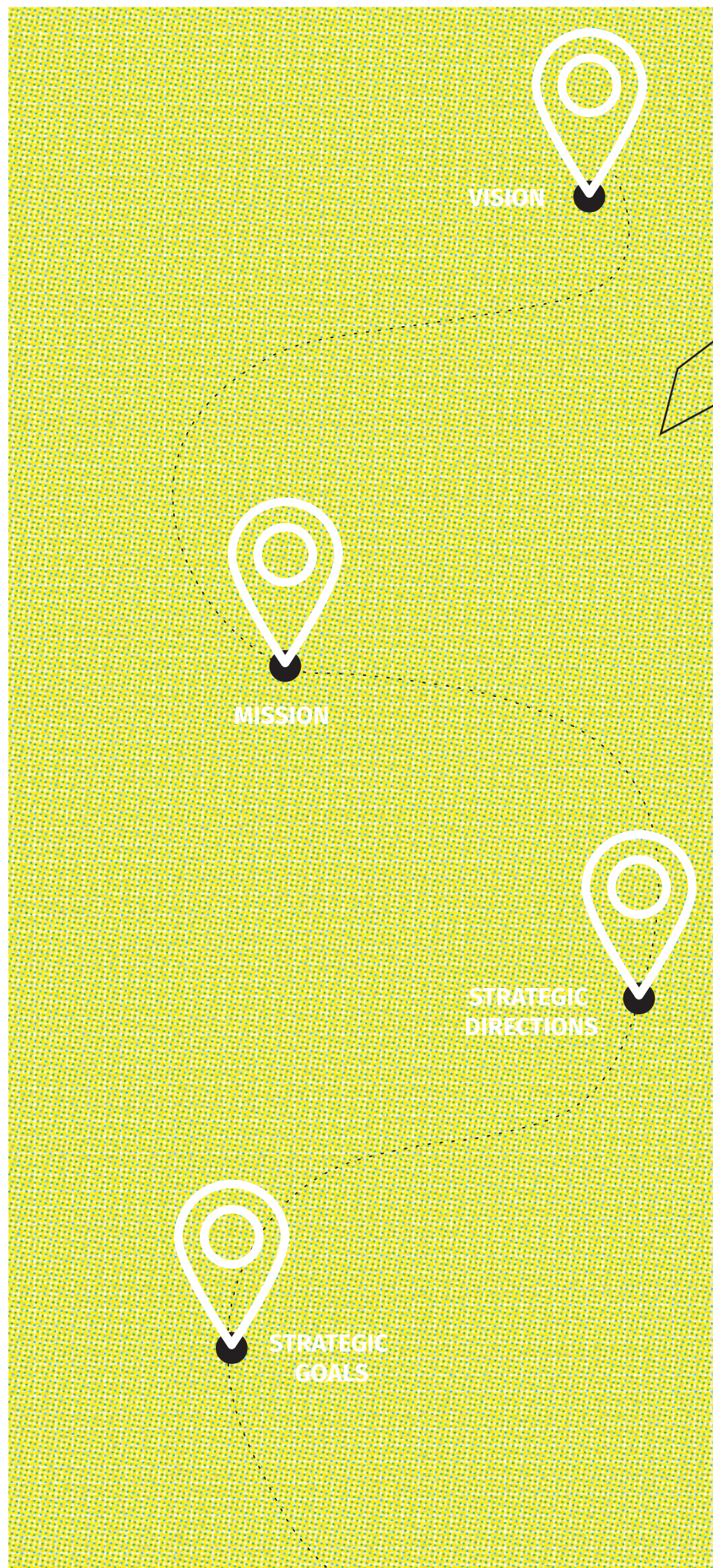
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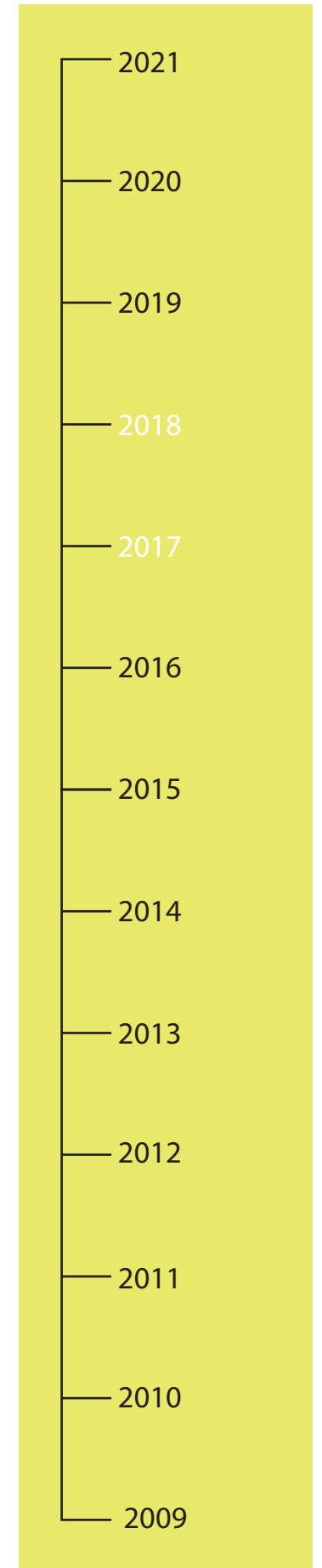
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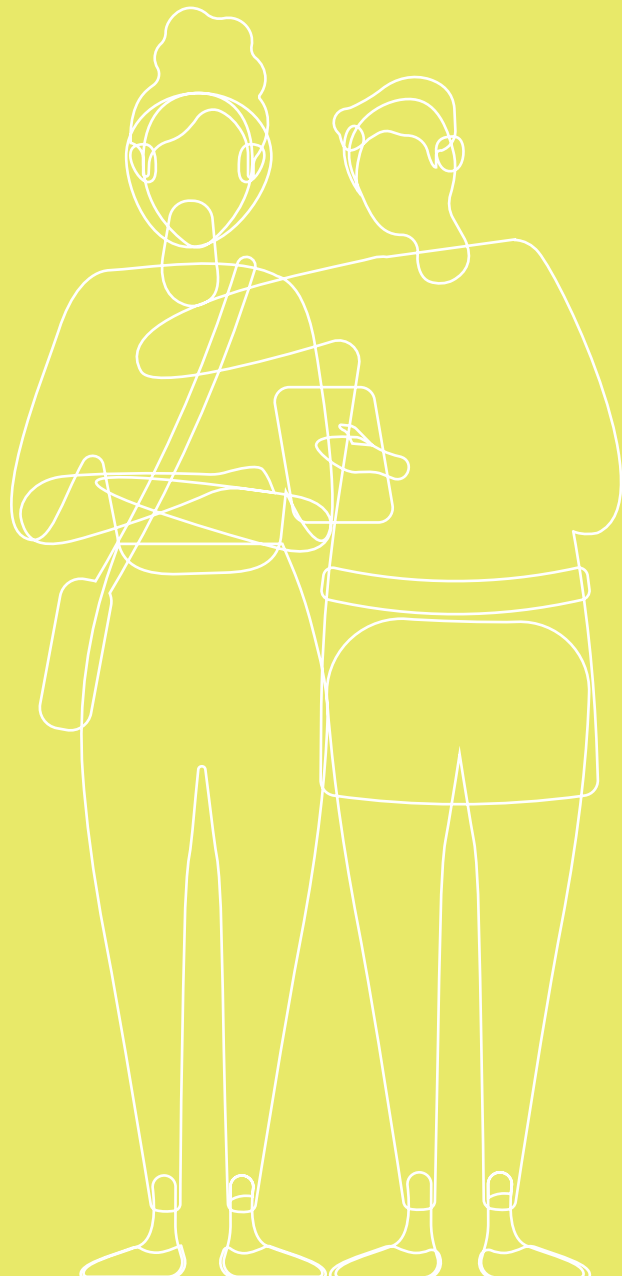
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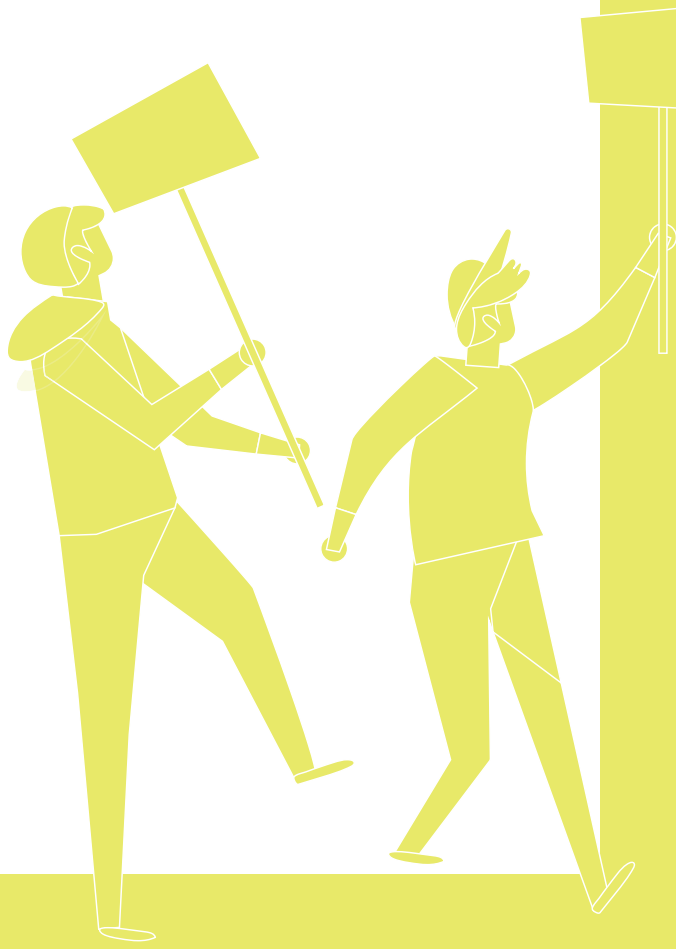
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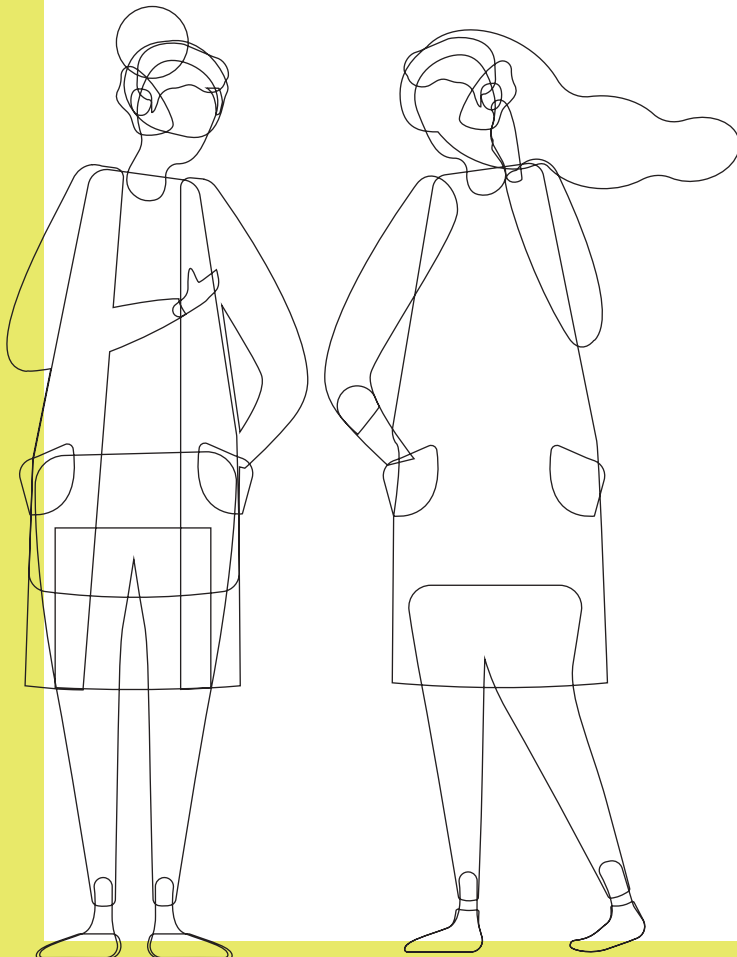
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# TEN YEARS OF DIALOGUE FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE



**EDGAR KHACHATRYAN**  
Peace Dialogue NGO,  
President



**Dear partners, friends, beneficiaries and supporters. We are happy to inform you that on 10 January 2019, Peace Dialogue NGO celebrated its 10th Anniversary.**

Since its founding, during the ten years of its activity, the organization has implemented a number of projects and initiatives of local, regional, and international importance in the fields of human rights and democracy, peaceful regulation of conflicts, and civil education. Through hundreds of working meetings, workshops, public actions, and research in collaboration with our local and international partners, we have strived to develop and disseminate the culture of peace and democratic values for the sake of human rights protection in Armenia and other conflict-affected EAP countries.

Notwithstanding the tense geopolitical processes underway in the region over the past years, together with its partners, the PD team has carried on its activities directed to the capacity building and empowerment of civil society representatives from Armenia, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, and Russia in the sphere of peacebuilding and human rights protection. Thousands of people have become beneficiaries of PD, tens of NGOs and activist groups have received financial and technical aid, hundreds of citizens have benefited from the legal support,

thousands have participated in the local, regional, and international programs, events, and workshops.

In spring of 2018, Armenia entered a new stage of history. The Velvet Revolution of April put an end to the atmosphere of disappointment, indifference, despair, and fear for many years magnifying in the country. We were proud to realize that among the large number of youth who blocked the streets in the capital and numerous other cities and towns of the Republic were also the faithful participants of programs and workshops organized by Peace Dialogue NGO. This fact inspired hope that with our activities we managed to have at least some contribution to the development of respect towards democratic values, strive for freedom, and sense of demand.

The Velvet Revolution also came to attest the efficiency of non-violent measures preached by the organization for so many years. This revolution was a testimony to the fact that even the most complicated conflicts, which seem not to have any solution at first sight, may be settled peacefully, without any violence or human losses.

With the present publication, we are presenting to your attention the biannual report of Peace Dialogue NGO for the years 2017-2018. Over the last two years,

the issues related to the human rights protection in the Armenian Armed Forces and the development of potential for peacebuilding and human rights protection in the post-Soviet countries have been in the center of attention of the organization. Within the last two years PD has implemented a number of programs aimed at reducing the number of human rights infringements in the RA Armed Forces, raising the level of awareness on human rights among conscripts, and strengthening the civil society oversight of AF activities. In the same period, 27 local, regional, and international workshops and working meetings have been held, which were attended by representatives of more than 500 SCOs, state and interstate structures from South Caucasus countries, Ukraine, Russia, Germany, and the Netherlands.

It must be mentioned that a number of structural reforms and capacity building workshops have been implemented to raise the efficiency of the organization's activities and the organization's strategy for 2019-2021 has been developed.

Last but not least, we would like to express our gratitude towards our partners and friends for their support, which allows the organization to maintain the sustainability and consistency of its activities.

# ABOUT PEACE DIALOGUE NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION

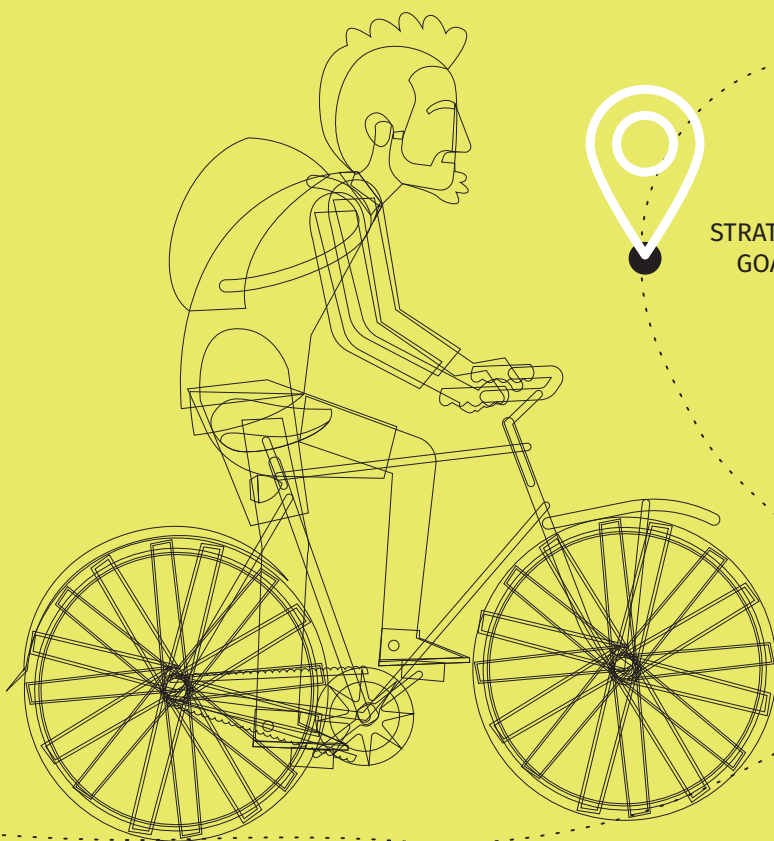
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# THE VISION, MISSION AND STRATEGIC GOALS OF PEACE DIALOGUE NGO

Peace Dialogue NGO is a non-religious, non-political organization, which was founded in 2009 in Armenia.

The organization unites experienced human rights and peace activists from Eastern Partnership countries, Russia, and Europe to promote the protection of human rights and non-violent resolutions to conflicts.

**The Vision of Peace Dialogue is “Justice and Rule of Law in Peaceful and Democratic Societies”.**

**The organization is working at the local, regional and international levels with the mission of fostering the protection of human rights and formation of a multi-layered dialogue, a culture of peace, democracy, and democratic institutions in conflict-affected and post-conflict societies.**

**In 2017–2018 the activities of Peace Dialogue NGO were aimed at:**

- empowering civil society actors in conflict and post-conflict societies;
- protecting and promoting human rights and fundamental freedoms;

- fostering civic oversight of various state institutions;
- providing opportunities for equal participation of women and men in political and civic processes;
- supporting civic initiatives;
- forming mutual trust and dialogue between the representatives of societies divided by conflicts;
- reducing militaristic, nationalistic, and patriarchal notions in societies and developing alternative ideas;
- advocating for victims of conflicts, etc.

**In 2017-2018 the main thematic scope of the organization’s activities were:**

- Promotion of democratic values and protection of human rights in Armenia,
- Development of peace culture in the conflict-affected post-Soviet countries and conflict transformation.





## HONORARY MEMBERS

We are glad to announce that in 2018 five new honorary members joined the Peace Dialogue NGO's council.

**Dr. Marina Grasse** is one of the co-founders of OWEN, a Berlin-based women's association. She was born in Berlin in 1950 where she has been living ever since. Before establishing OWEN, she has been working as a biologist for the Academy of Sciences in the German Democratic Republic, the Berlin University Hospital Charite and the Humboldt University Department of Philosophy. In 1990 she was responsible for equality issues in the government until the GDR joined the Federal Democratic Republic on October 3rd. After 2006, OWEN shifted the focus of its political activities, concentrating more on gender and peace education. Marina Grasse was one of the great supporters of Peace Dialogue NGO since 2009. Currently, Dr. Grasse is actively involved in a number of joint initiatives and projects of Peace Dialogue and OWEN.

**Guido de Graaf Bierbrauer** became an honorary member of Peace Dialogue in 2018. However, he has been actively supporting the Peace Dialogue team since the establishment of the organization. Mr. Bierbrauer currently works at PAX, the largest peace-building organization in The Netherlands. At PAX he leads The Activist Hive project, a project with the aim to support activists from different parts of the world who are working for peaceful and just societies. For the Activist Hive, several creative tools and methods have been developed to empower activists and strengthen their capacities in strategy development, effective action, and storytelling. Guido studied Russian and Eastern European Studies at the University of Amsterdam and has been active in supporting citizens-led peace processes in the South Caucasus before setting up the Activist Hive.



**Denis Matveev** is a consultant, facilitator, and pedagogue in the fields of conflict transformation and dialogue. Denis has worked with governments, de facto authorities, intergovernmental organizations, and NGOs in Ukraine, Moldova/Transdnistria, Armenia, Azerbaijan & Nagorno Karabakh, Georgia/Abkhazia, Russia, Sri Lanka, and Romania. His main organizational affiliation is currently in the role of Senior Adviser at the Finnish NGO CMI – Martti Ahtisaari Centre. Denis holds an MA in Peace and Conflict Studies from the European Peace University (EPU) in Stadtschlaining, Austria and a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Melbourne. The collaboration of Denis Matveev with Peace Dialogue started in 2010 within the scope of the EU supported EPNK program where Peace Dialogue is involved as a local partner of CMI.



**Steven M. Greenberg** is the Executive Director of Temple Beth Zion in Brookline, MA. Previously he served in Armenia as a Peace Corps Volunteer at Peace Dialogue NGO. Before that, he was the Executive Director of the Vilna Shul, Boston's most significant Jewish cultural site. Steven has extensive community and business experience in and around the Boston area as both a professional and a volunteer. He was born and raised in Natick MA but now lives in the family cottage at Nantasket Beach. His education includes a Masters Degree from Cornell University in Regional Planning and a BS in Economics from the University of Massachusetts.



**Lusine Poghosyan** joined Peace Dialogue NGO 8 years ago. Since then Lusine has become Peace Dialogue's friend in mission. Since her involvement with Peace Dialogue, Lusine has been implementing projects on community empowerment. Inspired by organization's ideas, she became a fellow at Rondine Citadel of Peace in Italy, in 2015-2017, and pursued her Master's degree in Peace Studies at the University of Rome Three. In 2017-2018, she was engaged in research, with a focus on peace education in the South Caucasus in the framework of the "Strengthening Culture of Peace" program. Currently, Lusine works with Eco Lab Foundation for Sustainable Development and Civic Activism in Armenia and is a member of the international facilitators' pool of the Theodor-Heuss-Kolleg program of the Robert Bosch Stiftung Foundation and the MitOst e.V.

# PEACE DIALOGUE NGO'S PROJECTS FOR 2017-2018



# PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS MECHANISMS AMONG THE FUTURE CONSCRIPTS IN THE ARMENIAN MILITARY FORCES

**Duration of the project:** 1 year

**Budget (2017 and 2018):** 17.351,00 USD

**Donor:** The project is supported by The Democracy Commission Small Grants program of the Embassy of the United State of America in Armenia

The project “Promotion of Human Rights Mechanisms among the Future Conscripts in the Armenian Military Forces” was implemented by Peace Dialogue NGO in 2017-2018. The project was aimed at raising the awareness of the future conscripts about the mechanisms of the human rights protection in the Military Forces.

In the scope of the project, an analysis was carried out on the RA legislature for Military Forces with the involvement of a lawyer and the most frequently met cases of violation of human rights were revealed. Based on the studies and analysis, a step by step guide for future conscripts and their families was developed. The development of the guide was coordinated with the staff of the RA Ombudsman’s Office and specialists of the RA MoD and Ministry of Education and Science.

**Published with a circulation of 600 copies, the step by step guide “Human Rights in the Armed Forces” has majorly been distributed among schoolchildren. It is also available on Peace Dialogue’s website: according to the data obtained at the end of 2018, around 720 users**

**have already watched the material and 200 have shared it.**

**Alongside the aforementioned, the section “My Rights in the Armed Forces” has been added to the Encyclopedia of DASARAN.AM website. Here students can get acquainted with their rights, regulations, and laws concerning military service, which are systematized on the webpage by the logic of encyclopedia.**

**The questions for the newly-created segment “Human Rights in the Armed Forces”, which was added to the interactive online game “I Know: Army and Law”, have also been developed on the basis of the guide issued by Peace Dialogue. According to the data of 2018, around 140,000 users have already played the online game.**

The presentation of the step by step guide “Human Rights in the Armed Forces” took place on November 30, in the Tsakhkadzor Marriott Hotel. The event was attended by representatives of organizations for human rights defense, international organizations, and various subdivisions of MoD.

# PROACTIVE CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION IN THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE ARMENIAN MILITARY FORCES

**Duration of the project:** 1 year

**Budget (2018 and 2019):** 39.014,50 EUR

**Donor:** The project is supported by the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Armenia with means from the German Federal Foreign Office.

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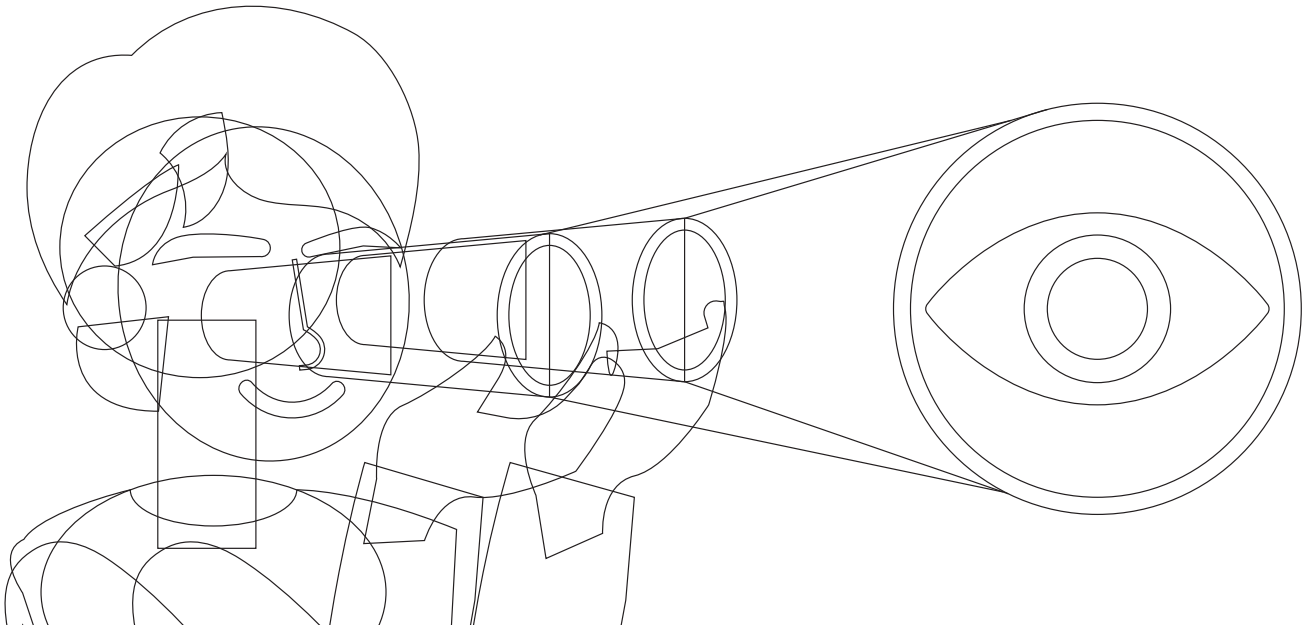
**MATTHIAS KIESLER,**  
Ambassador of the Federal  
Republic of Germany to Armenia

«After Nazi Germany, one of our lessons learnt has been the necessity of the establishment of democracy in the Armed Forces», stated Matthias Kiesler, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Armenia meanwhile expressing satisfaction with the fact that the initiative is implemented with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Germany. He also added that it is necessary to increase not only the civil society control over the activities of the armed forces but also that of the Parliament.

In September 2018, Peace Dialogue NGO started the implementation of the initiative called “Proactive Civil Society Participation in the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in the Armenian Military Forces”. Within the scope of the project, PD created a monitoring group consisting of representatives of NGOs, civil movements, and media organizations.

The activities of the group are aimed at monitoring of the RA MoD activities deriving from the National Human Rights Strategy 2017-2019. On the basis of the observations and conclusions of the monitoring group, a package of proposals will be submitted to the MoD officials, lawmakers, RA citizens, and international organizations.

On 29 November - 1 December the first working meeting of the Monitoring Group developed in the scope of “Proactive Civil Society Participation in the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in the Armenian Military Forces” project



took place at the Hotel “Marriott” in Tsaghkadzor. Matthias Kiesler, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Armenia welcomed the participants. In his speech he particularly stressed the importance of the role of civil society in the oversight of the government activities. The Ambassador promised to present the activities of the monitoring during his meetings with Defense Ministry officials on every suitable occasion in order to facilitate the cooperation between the Monitoring Group and the RA MoD.

During the meeting a discussion was held with representatives of different subdivisions of the Ministry of Defense, who introduced the activities carried out by their subdivisions within the scope of the National Human Rights Action Plan for 2017-2019 and the legal acts adopted as a result of these activities. The draft package of proposals developed by the monitoring group after reviewing the MoD’s initial report is avail-

able on the website of Peace Dialogue - [www.peacedialogue.am](http://www.peacedialogue.am).

**The publication of a preliminary report of the monitoring group on the MoD activities implemented within the scope of Human Rights Action Plan for 2017-18 and their efficiency is planned for January-February 2019. The final report of the monitoring group is envisaged for publication in October 2019.**

One of the most important components of the project is the provision of legal support to the citizens whose rights have been violated during their conscription or military service in the Armed Forces. As per 2018, the organization has provided legal support to 12 citizens. On the basis of 5 of the aforementioned cases, materials have been filed to apply to the court. On 2018, a strategic litigation was also filed on the basis of the cases of two graduates of military educational institutions for refusal of post-study contractual military service.

# ASSISTANCE TO THE FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS WHO DIED IN NON-COMBAT CONDITIONS IN THE RA ARMED FORCES

**Duration of the project:** 2 years

**Budget (2017 and 2018):** 2.000.000,00 AMD

**Donor:** The project is implemented by the organization's own resources

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The human rights protection issue has always been one of the central issues for watchdog organizations from different countries. The situation of human rights protection in the Armenian Armed Forces also raises the concerns of active civil society groups and a number of authoritative international organizations.

In their reports, different independent organizations state the high level of fatalities in the armed forces and express their concern about regular human rights violations, cases of violence, and negligence by the investigative bodies and responsible military structures.

**According to the data presented by “Ani” center, since 1994, more than 3,500 combat and non-combat fatalities were counted in the Armed Forces of Armenia and NK. During the NK war and after the ceasefire agreement signed in 1994, the Armenian side has had more than 9,700 fatality victims.**

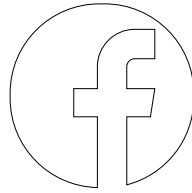
Over the last few years, the cases of murder and suicide have been in the focus of attention of wide public masses. However, these cases are still taking place continuously, and the vicious phenomena causing such cases are augmenting due to the lack of systematized preventative measures.

In order to make a positive change in the sphere, PD launched the initiative “Safe Soldiers for Safe Armenia”, which was aimed at revealing cases of violation of human rights in the RA Armed Forces and to increase not only the security of Armenia but also that of the soldiers protecting it.

Another objective of the initiative was to raise public awareness of the worrying situation of human rights in the Armed Forces for the purpose of developing public demand on the solution of the problem; mobilizing and involving the local, national, and international actors, who may have a positive influence on the current situation.

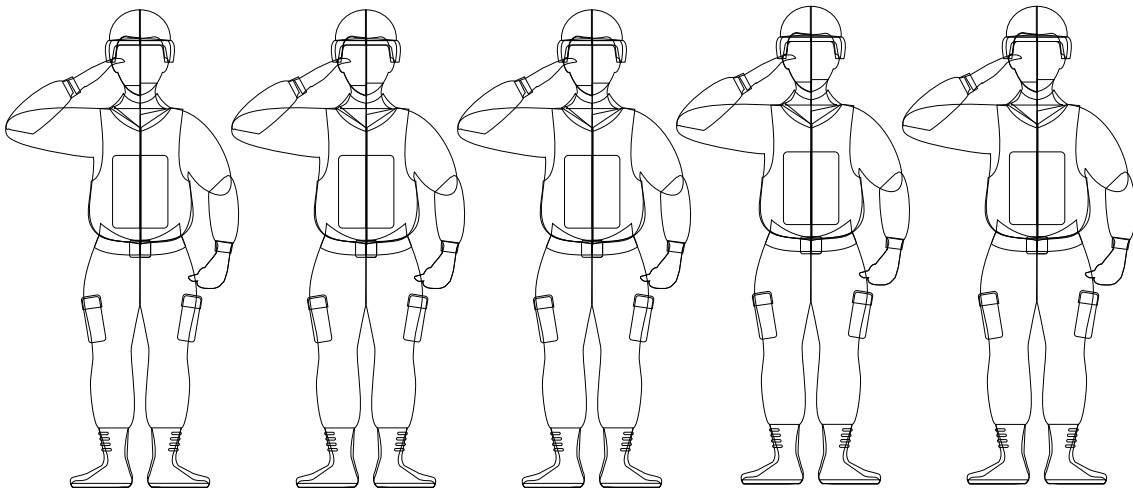
In the course of 2017 and 2018, the organization did not cease providing expert and legal support in the phases of preliminary investigation and trial to families of the soldiers who died as a result of non-combat fatalities.

**Over the last two years, the organization has supported the relatives of seven soldiers who died in non-combat conditions.** It must be noted that since 2018, PD cooperates with the “Public monitoring group for revealing the faults in the preliminary investigation of certain criminal cases initiated on fatalities dur-



«You are carrying out huge work for the sake of our country, for which I thank you, bravo!»

A post by a Facebook user, Gayane Aslibekyan, on the Facebook page of Peace Dialogue NGO.



ing military service and assisting to the proper examination of the aforementioned cases”. The activities of the monitoring group will start in February 2019.

Constant activities are being directed to the replenishment of the database of the website [www.safesoldiers.am](http://www.safesoldiers.am), where all the information on fatality cases registered in the RA Armed Forces since the signing of the ceasefire agreement as well as cases of violation of soldiers’ rights are published.

**Currently on the basis of data acquired**

**from the monitoring implemented by the organization staff and those obtained from individuals and organizations, it was possible to post 1083 cases of fatalities in the Armenian Armed Forces in the database of the website. 313 among the aforementioned were cases of ceasefire regime violation, 226 were cases of murder, 213 were cases of fatal incidents, 116 were cases of suicide, 95 cases were caused by health issues, 41 were caused by violation of safety rules, and 15 were cases of negligence. The causes of 64 of the mentioned cases have not been revealed yet.**



## ARENA: COMMUNITY THEATER AND PUBLIC ART

**Duration of the project:** 4 years

**Budget (2017 and 2018):** 316.477,06 EUR

**Donor:** The project “Arena: Community Theatre and Public Art” is supported by the zivik (Civil Conflict Resolution) programme of the Institute for Foreign Cultural Relations (ifa) with means from the German Federal Foreign Office.

**Project partner:** OWEN Mobile Akademie für Geschlechterdemokratie und Friedensförderung e.V.

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**ANNA ANDREYEVA,**  
“ARENA” Summer School  
participant from Russia.

“They speak so much about conflicts on TV that you even forget that it is all about people. During these meetings I made the idea of conflicts more human and personal for myself, I understood how hard it is for people living in those conflict-affected places”

In 2015-2018, Peace Dialogue NGO and its German partner OWEN implemented the joint “ARENA: Community Theater and Public Art” project. The project was aimed at improving the impact of peace building in the conflict-affected post-Soviet countries on community and regional levels through developing relevant pro-active strategies for community based peace building and creating a safe and supportive network for civil society groups.

The scope of ARENA included former Soviet countries as Russia (Chechnya, Saint Petersburg, Rostov Region), Ukraine, Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Georgia.

The program was initially envisaged for three years, but due to its success, it was possible to prolong it by one year in 2018. During the four project years, the scope of its activities included Georgia, Russia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Ukraine, Austria, Germany, Lebanon, the Netherlands, Italy, and Croatia. Hundreds of representatives from these countries – activists, experts, artists, civil society actors – were involved in the ARENA project. The number of participants organized by or with the involvement of the



mentioned parties reaches over 10K.

During the project implementation, the organization of annual summer schools became a good tradition. The events bearing the headline “ARENA: Summer School for Peace and Art” gave the representatives of conflict affected societies the opportunity of acquiring knowledge and information on the theories of peaceful regulation of conflicts and jointly creating works of art to raise the awareness of society about the regional militaristic propaganda, and issues of injustice, violation of rights, and oppressions towards civil society actors.

In 2017, ARENA Summer School for Creative Strategizing took place in the Austrian Study Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution (ASPR) in Stadtschlaining, Austria; and the 2018 Summer School was held in Borjomi, Georgia.

It must be mentioned that in 2017 the objective of the project was the empowerment of civil society groups involved so that they could develop their strategies and tools necessary for their further activities, and in 2018 the project staff supported the participants in the imple-

mentation of their strategies already developed.

**In the period of 2017-2018 in total 6 regional workshops and 2 Summer Schools were implemented in the scope of ARENA project, attended by around 200 people. Alongside this, around 2500 people were involved in the events, exhibitions and workshops, organized by the participants of the project in their local communities.**

In the reporting period, a number of artworks, documentary and animated movies, comics, and graphic artworks, have been created in the scope of ARENA. They have been submitted and won prizes in a number of regional and international fairs, exhibitions, and competitions.

In 2017, on the basis of the project outcomes, a Methodological Guide on Creative Peace Building was published; it sums up the ARENA participants’ experience in the use of artistic means in peacebuilding.

You may find further details on the “ARENA: Community Theater and Public Art” in the section “What is ARENA project?” on PD website [www.peacedialogue.am](http://www.peacedialogue.am).

## “RETHINKING, COOPERATING, SHARING”

**Duration of the project:** 3 years

**Budget:** The budget of the project is not at the disposal of Peace Dialogue NGO

**Project Partners:** OFAJ (France), Association “Une terre culturelle” (France), Centre Français de Berlin (Germany), AFS Istanbul (Turkey)

**Donor:** The project is supported by ERASMUS+ Youth and Sport Center, France and the French-German Youth Office.

The exchange project between four countries – Germany, France, Turkey, and Armenia – was launched in November 2017 in Marseille, France. 24 young people aged 18-25, representing the aforementioned country, have already met each other in the project countries with the aim of reconsidering their views on history and “others”, cooperate, and create a joint vision of future. In 2018 the young people met in Armenia where they were welcomed by Peace Dialogue NGO. The next meeting took place in Berlin. In 2019, the project participants will meet in Istanbul.

« It seems that the situation is not going to improve in the near future. Actually, we live in a period when our societies tend to isolate and nationalistic thoughts and ideologies are spreading at a high speed. This is predominantly why it was vital for young students and volunteers from the mentioned four countries to meet with the common objective of overcoming this deplorable situation and establishing sound communication and cooperation between young people of these countries”, says David Diancourt, a French participant of the project.

## EPNK-3

**Duration of the project:** 3 years

**Total budget (2017 and 2018):** 14.500,00 EUR

**Donor:** EU

**Project Partner:** Conflict Management Initiative (CMI), Finland

The aim of the EPNK-3 is to dispute the process of stagnation over the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict in regards to the young generation who have grown up in isolated conditions, and represent one of the most conflict-affected groups.

The project has been launched in 2010 and in PD has been involved in the different phases of the project as a local partner. In the last two years of the pro-

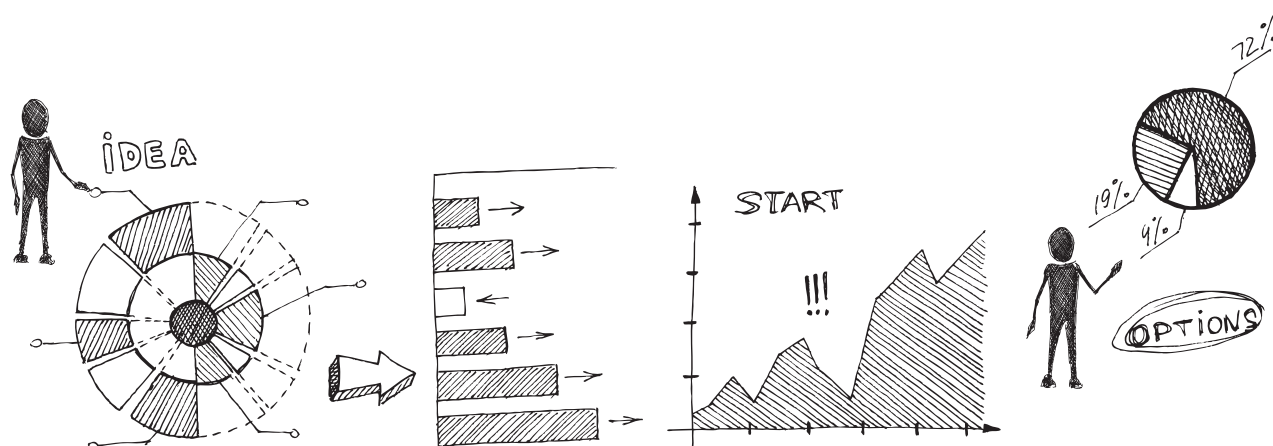
ject, PD experts have been involved predominantly as experts and consultants to offer support in the initiatives organized by Armenian and Azerbaijani youth. The initiatives of the project youth are diverse – animated and documentary movies, workshops, studies and analyses, which are mainly directed to the recruitment of larger circles into peace-building activities.

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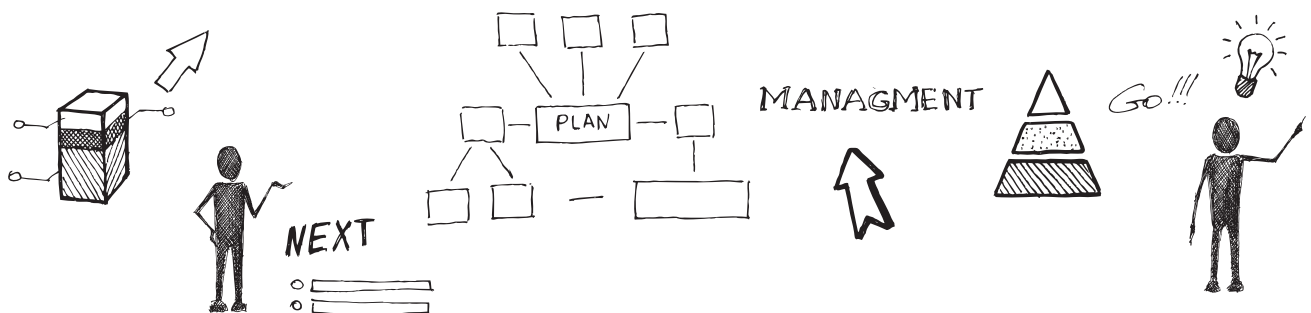
## PD FINANCIAL SITUATION AS PER 2017

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1	Honoraria and salaries*	35,066.05 €	31,287.96 €	3,778.10 €
2	Trainings organization costs	35,042.15 €	34,713.99 €	328.16 €
3	Expenses for training venues	52,103.11 €	54,863.94 €	-2,760.83 €
4	Transportation/travel costs	27,531.39 €	24,102.32 €	3,429.07 €
5	Meal	325.50 €	376.19 €	-50.69 €
6	Printing costs, written and oral translations	7,390.00 €	7,708.94 €	-318.94 €
7	Evaluation	3,712.50 €	3,724.63 €	-12.13 €
8	Other costs	6,271.00 €	6,246.60 €	24.40 €
9	Administrative costs	3,200.53 €	3,269.96 €	-69.43 €
10	Equipment	1,088.25 €	786.25 €	302.00 €
11	Research, analysis	5,452.00 €	0.00 €	5,452.00 €
12	Experts, consultants	5,452.00 €	0.00 €	5,452.00 €
	<b>Total</b>	<b>182,634.48 €</b>	<b>167,080.79 €</b>	<b>15,553.70 €</b>



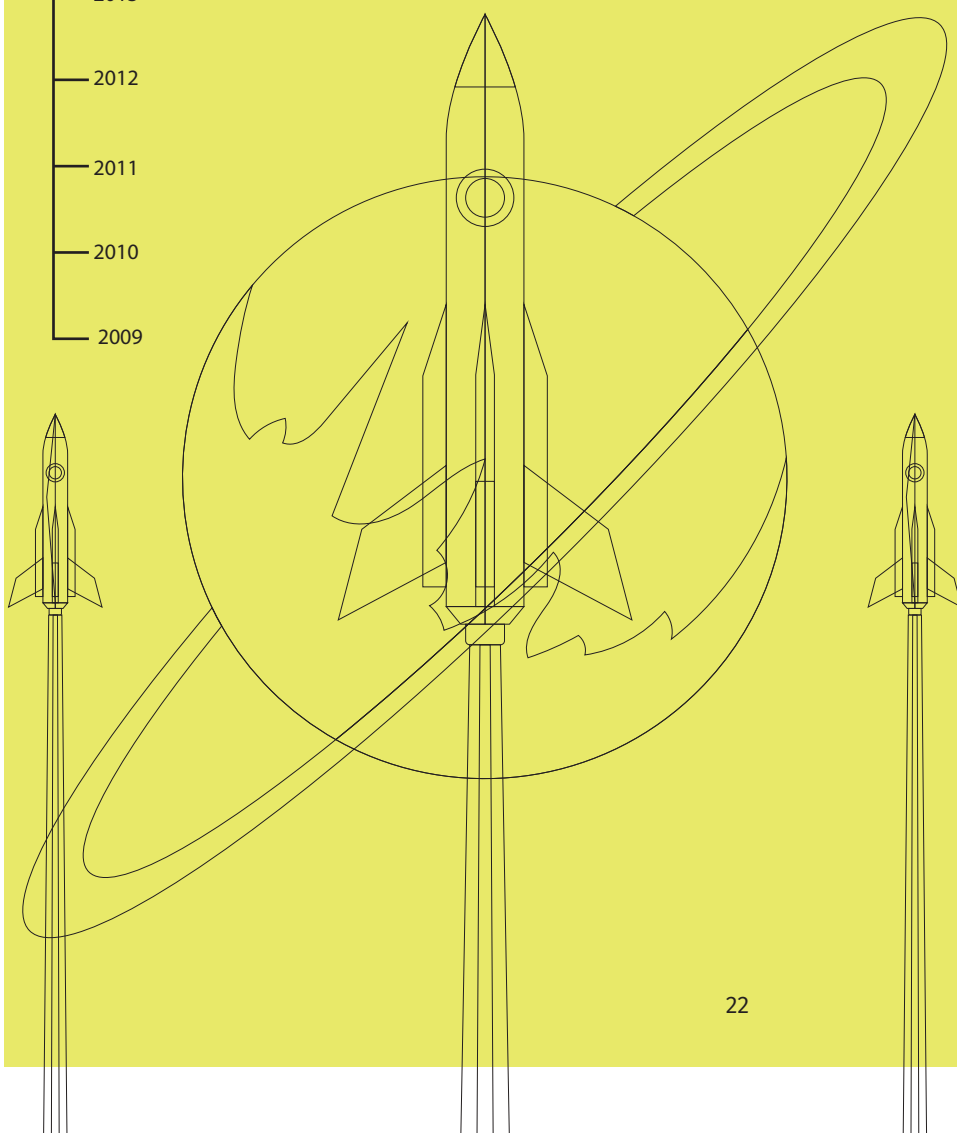
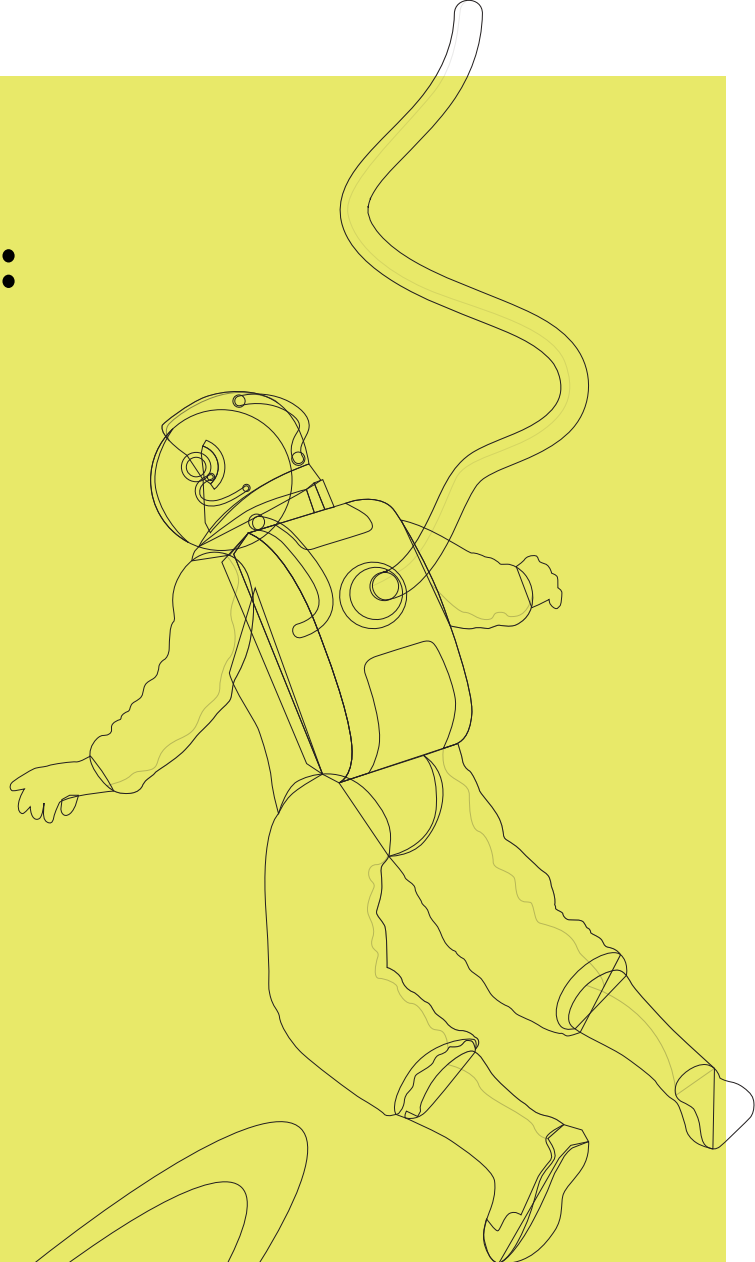
## PD FINANCIAL SITUATION AS PER 2018

N	Income and Actual Expenses (Euro)	Total Income (EUR)	Actual Expenses (EUR)	Total Balance (EUR)
1	Honoraria and salaries*	34,145.03 €	37,979.75 €	-3,834.72 €
2	Trainings organization costs	41,201.77 €	40,593.75 €	608.02 €
3	Expenses for training venues	47,066.07 €	47,315.51 €	-249.44 €
4	Transportation/travel costs	30,336.12 €	30,909.61 €	-573.48 €
5	Meal	1,141.20 €	1,982.35 €	-841.15 €
6	Printing costs, written and oral translations	9,933.56 €	9,453.09 €	480.47 €
7	Evaluation	4,320.00 €	4,345.38 €	-25.38 €
8	Other costs	5,992.60 €	6,278.20 €	-285.60 €
9	Administrative costs	3,295.47 €	3,215.84 €	79.63 €
10	Equipment	270.54 €	595.54 €	-325.00 €
11	Research, analysis	0.00 €	5,313.94 €	-5,313.94 €
12	Experts, consultants	1,302.00 €	6,727.61 €	-5,425.61 €
	<b>Total</b>	<b>179,004.36 €</b>	<b>194,710.56 €</b>	<b>-15,706.20 €</b>



\* The budget line "Honoraria and Salaries" also includes the payments to international project staff and trainers invited from abroad.

# FUTURE PLANS: 2019-2021



## STRATEGIC GOALS FOR 2019-2021

In 2018-2021, the Peace Dialogue team will pay special attention to the community orientation.

**For the next three years, the main focus areas of PD's activities will be:**

- Human rights and democracy,
- Development of peace culture and conflict transformation,
- Community empowerment, capacity building for the community, and community involvement

**For the next three years the organization plans to carry out the following activities:**

- “Proactive civil society participation in the protection and promotion of human rights in the Armenian Military Forces”
- “Ensuring the Right of Protection from Torture for People Brought to the Military Police as Suspects and Witnesses as a Result of Incidents Recorded in the Armed Forces, within the Frames of Criminal Proceedings”
- Shooting a documentary movie about soldiers who died in non-combat situations.
- Capacity building for civil society actors (CSOs, media) for civil society oversight of the AF activities
- Provision of legal support and court

advocacy for citizens who suffered from human rights violations during their service in the Armed Forces.

- “Creating an Archive on Missing Persons During the Karabakh War”
- Creation of “Peace Library”
- Building the media literacy capacities of Vanadzor community youth
- Organization of discussions on issues of peace, gender, human rights, and democracy.

**In order to implement the proposed activity, the PD intends to apply the following methodologies:**

- Human Rights Monitoring,
- Provision of legal support,
- Media activities,
- Experience exchange,
- Capacity building in formal and informal education,
- Development and dissemination of policies and concepts,
- Lobbying
- Cooperation with state bodies,
- Networking.



