The Engage-Do Your Part for Peace project supports civil society’s participation in peacebuilding initiatives and works in partnership with a variety of stakeholders across the island. The project provides a platform for dialogue that aims to contribute to a better-informed public that is engaged in reconciliation. Engage brings key actors together to create an inclusive environment for reconciliation.

Through a series of events and activities, the Engage project opens up new opportunities for active involvement in reconciliation and peacebuilding while promoting a culture of active civic participation.

Cypriot civil society has been involved in peacebuilding efforts over several years, and the potential of civil society organisations (CSOs) to contribute to the peace process is undeniable. By building the capacity of civil society, the Engage project expands the space for a more inclusive reconciliation process based on successful networking, advocacy and subsequent policy improvements.

The Nicosia Civil Society Fair, which included the participation of 39 CSOs and attracted some 3,000 people to visit the heart of the capital on 28 May 2011, as well as major media coverage islandwide.

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**KEY ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE**
- Engage was listed by UNESCO as one of 450 projects and activities worldwide that promote the rapprochement of cultures  
- Engage was acknowledged in the UN Secretary General’s Assessment Reports for its contribution in support of the peace process in Cyprus  
- Advocacy campaigns implemented, with more than 100 NGOs supporting the Engage initiative, through public declarations, to stand by the peace process  
- Successful launch of the first ever televised island-wide peace campaign  
- Increased public dialogue for a possible federal solution through a series of federalism events in towns and villages across the island  
- Raising the voice of civil society and promoting active citizenship through an islandwide media campaign, including weekly press columns and radio shows  
- Technical support and trainings for individual CSOs and networks across the island to help in the capacity building of Cypriot civil society  
- CIVICUS Research Study mapping out Cypriot civil society and the role of the third sector  
- Diverse and creative projects from CSOs and initiatives across the island supported through the Small Grants Programme

**Connecting the island**  
A major success of the Engage project was the organisation of three civil society fairs in Spring 2011 in Famagusta, Limassol and Nicosia to celebrate Civil Society’s valuable work all over the island. Under the slogan, “Come and meet some of the NGOs of Cyprus and discover their good work!” the all-day events offered dozens of CSOs the opportunity to meet one another and showcase their work to the local public with thousands of people visiting and learning about the work of the island’s busy civil society sector. “The fair was a great way to bring these different organisations together and celebrate the diversity of the work we each do, and gave us a chance to talk about future collaborations,” one NGO representative said after the Nicosia event.