





# Intra- and Intersocietal Sources of Instability and EU Opportunities to Respond (ISSICEU)

"Topical Problems and Development Trends of Civil Society in Karachay-Cherkessia"

Cherkessk, Gorkogo str., 8, The Business Center (conference room, 2-nd floor)
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### **WORKSHOP PROGRAM**

11.00-13:30. Topical Problems and Development Trends of Civil Society in Karachay-Cherkessia: Outputs and Conclusions from the Public Survey and Expert Interviews (*Murat Shogenov*).

13: 30-14:00. Coffee break.

14: 00-15:30. Discussion.

Moderator - Alexey Gunya.

## List of participants

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- 3. BIDZHIEV VLADIMIR, The Karachay-Cherkessia Republican Branch of the Russian Public Organization "RUSSIAN UNION OF YOUTH", Cherkessk
- 4. GUNYA ALEXEY, Senior Researcher in the Institute of Geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Professor of the Department of Socio-Political Theories and Technologies of the Kabardino-Balkarian State University, Scientific adviser of the NORTH CAUCASIAN GRADUATE SCHOOL OF CONFLICT STUDIES, Nalchik
- 5. KUCHEROV ANDREY, Founder and Chairman of the Board of Karachay-Cherkessia Regional Youth Public Organization "UNION OF YOUNG POLITOLOGISTS", Cherkessk
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- 7. PILAROV ALYI, The Karachay-Cherkessia Regional Branch of the All-Russian Public Organization of Small and Medium Enterprises "SUPPORT OF RUSSIA", Cherkessk
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- 10. TOKOV MURAT, the Non-Governmental Legal Organization "SHIELD", Cherkessk, Karachay-Cherkessia Republic
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## **Summary report**

(key discussion questions and problems)

### **RELIGION**

- 1) Religion as a (re)source: elections, security and justice, immunity (indulgence)
- 2) Distrust of the official Spiritual Board of Muslims: center periphery
- 3) Religiosity in cities, the ideological competition with non-traditional religious groups
- 3) Increased levels of religiosity in cities and the exclusivity of security
- 4) Perspectives for a comparative analysis at the North Caucasian level
- 5) Religious in the criminal environment: resource of trust and recruitment
- 6) Religious: motives and motivation (what a person believes the motive), the compensatory function of religiosity

#### **TRUST**

- 1) Trust in cities and villages: social control, social homogeneity/heterogeneity, religious communities
- 2) Trust to the political and civil institutions: the personification of trust and delegation of legitimacy
- 3) Trust to the municipal governments and to non-governmental organizations
- 4) NGOs, society and the state
- 5) The NGO Coalition?

#### **ELECTIONS**

- 1) Elections or appointments?
- 2) Election as a legitimate way to reduce social tensions.
- 3) Municipal elections: the vertical of power and local agendas

#### CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

- 1) The informal level of civic participation and volunteering
- 2) Sources and features of protest civic activities
- 3) Institutional preferences of different ethnic groups
- 4) The shift from the state paternalism