

## **CIVIC PRACTICES**

The Macedonian Center for International Cooperation (MCIC) has published the sixth issue of the publication "Civic Practices". It features analysis and studies by four authors on the following two topics: "Advocacy and lobbying in the civic organizations" and "Protection of the human rights through the mechanisms of the civic organizations".

The advocacy and lobbying are increasingly looked upon as activities that could bring about societal changes. Further to this, the civic organizations use the advocacy and lobbying as instruments in the implementation of more and more projects.

In the text dedicated to protection of the human rights through the mechanisms of the civic organizations, the author takes as a point of departure the dilemma whether the civic organizations are truly capable of protecting the human rights or they are mere décor of the democracy?"

The idea for Civic Practices is to make the positions of these authors public and to encourage your thinking that would hopefully lead to wider discussion on these topics.

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