

Chapter 2.1.

CIVIL SOCIETY AS THE FOUNDATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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Abstract. *The idea of sustainable development is focused on contemporary threats of human life, which generally emerge from growing consumption of natural resources, enlarging of environmental devastation, fast demographic growth, unsatisfied basic needs of immeasurable group of people or deep destabilization of natural and socio-economical systems. The imperative assignment for efficient implementation the ideas of sustainable development is pressing towards building a responsible civil society. Effective solutions of social, economic and environmental problems require a participation of all active partners which means active engagement of local actors in creating main strategy.*

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