Exploring civil society space with the European Parliament's rights monitoring group

He presented preliminary findings from the Fundamental Rights Platform civic space consultation and the <u>second FRA bulletin on the fundamental rights</u> <u>impact of national COVID-19 measures</u>.

He mentioned four key points for civil society:

- 1) Involving civil society in consultations effectively;
- 2) Protecting civil society organisations from threats and attacks;
- 3) Auditing the unintended effects of legislation on civic space and activities,

4) Using EU funding to also support core expenses and advocacy activities of civil society organisations rather than just specific projects.