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RESEARCH (NAASR)/ CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN FOUNDATION
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Present a Panel Discussion

**EXPANDING INCLUSION OF MEDIA
LITERACY IN EDUCATION IN ARMENIA:
CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES**

*With the participation of five young women from
Armenia's media literacy organizations and schools*

Thursday – October 5, 2017 - 7:30 p.m.

**At the NAASR Center
395 Concord Ave., Belmont, MA**

Five young women from Armenia will be in Greater Boston Sept 29 – Oct 7, 2017, to participate in a grant program focused on media literacy in education hosted by the Cambridge-Yerevan Sister City Association (CYSCA) and with funding support from the “Open World” (OW) program of the U.S. Library of Congress, CYSCA, and its team of volunteers. A key goal of the program is to help participants develop methods for inclusion of media literacy in education by engaging them with their American counterparts. The program aims to give the participants first-hand exposure to America’s democratic government and free-market system as an instrument for Americans engaged in citizens’ diplomacy.

CYSCA has designed a program of visits/meetings with various organizations/individuals in the Greater Boston area, including MA Media Literacy Consortium, Emerson College, UMass Boston, MIT Media Lab, and numerous other organizations and individuals.

The participants will discuss their work experience in Armenia and reflect on their visit to the U.S. The program will include **Siranush Galstyan**, smart room coordinator, Children of Armenia Fund (COAF); **Nina Ganjalyan**, smart room coordinator, COAF; **Lusine Grigoryan**, media literacy specialist, Media Initiatives Center; **Armine Khloyan**, sociology teacher/head of robotics lab, National Engineering University of Armenia (Foundation); **Shushanik Ohanyan**, project manager, Goris Press Club NGO; and **Anahit Khachatryan**, facilitator for the group, currently project management specialist at USAID Armenia.

● *Admission free (donations accepted)*

● *Reception preceding program*

The NAASR Bookstore will open at 6:30 p.m. Many new titles are available.