

## March Funding Alerts

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## Education, Culture, Training and Youth

### **Call for proposals - EACEA/14/2015: KA3 Comprehensive policy frameworks for continuing VET (under Erasmus+)**

#### **Overall objective**

The objective of the Call is to support the development of public policies that seek to coordinate the provision of high quality, relevant and accessible continuing vocational education and training (CVET) and to ensure a significant increase in take-up of further training opportunities, as part of comprehensive national, regional or local skills strategies.

#### **Specific objectives of this call:**

Public policy intervention may have a significant impact by applying an efficient combination of incentives, rights and obligations for all stakeholders. Other actions could include targeted public interventions for specific groups or regions and the use of regulatory and financial instruments both to strengthen employers' engagement in human resource development and to boost individuals' participation.

The Call shall encourage cooperation between national authorities and all relevant stakeholders involved in CVET, including the skills development of employees and the reorientation of workers (such as the training provided by public employment services).

#### **Financed actions**

Grants will support national authorities' efforts to plan for or implement policy intervention in CVET with the aim to secure coherence and relevance of supply and significantly increase adults' participation in learning. The activities shall engage relevant national, regional or local stakeholders, as well as drawing on the advice and expertise of peers from one or more Erasmus+ programme countries that have similar challenges or have effective CVET policies and provision.

The following types of activities are eligible under this Call for proposals:

- feasibility studies, reviews of national/regional/local regulations on CVET, cost-benefit analysis,
- detailed action plans for developing and implementing a coherent policy framework for CVET,
- organising national/regional/local business forums to mobilise employers to invest in CVET,
- organising and/or participating in conferences, seminars and working groups,
- awareness-raising campaigns, valorisation and dissemination actions; activities that support the project's sustainability,
- exchanges of good and/or innovative practices between countries through, e.g. targeted study visits,
- research activities,
- preparatory work to design effective interventions in CVET through the use of ESF or other relevant funds,
- communities of practice.

The duration of the projects is either 12 months or 24 months. Applications for projects scheduled to run for a shorter or longer period than that specified in this Call for proposals will not be accepted.

Activities must start between 1 November 2015 and 1 January 2016.

#### **Eligibility**

In order for a project to be eligible for funding under this call the following conditions need to be fulfilled:

- The eligible applicant (coordinator) must be a national authority or an organisation designated by the national authority which is responsible for VET, including CVET and is located in a programme country. Where the coordinator is an organisation designated by a national authority, the national authority designating it must be included in the application either as co-applicant (a full partner), or as an associated partner participating in the implementation on a no-cost basis
- At least one institution/member body from the Directors General for Vocational Training (DGVT) list from the applicant country should participate in the project as either applicant, full partner or associated partner (*in the UK the relevant body is the Department for Business, Innovation & Skills Legal, Business & Skills DG's Office*)

- Grant applications must be submitted by **at least two entities** from at least two different countries of the Erasmus+ programme
- Eligible partners may be ministries and other stakeholders, such as social partners, businesses, chambers of industry, public or private VET providers, research centres, higher education institutions, NGOs, adult education institutions, public employment services, etc.
- Natural persons are not eligible

### Financial allocation

The total budget earmarked for the co-financing of projects is estimated at EUR 4,200,000.

Each grant will amount to between a maximum of EUR 150,000 for a 1-year and a maximum of EUR 300,000 for a 2-year project. The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) expects to fund around 15 proposals.

The EU grant is limited to a maximum co-financing rate of 75 % of the eligible costs of the action.

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30 April 2015

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## Call for proposals - Key Action 1: Large Scale European Voluntary Service events 2015 (under Erasmus+)

### Overall objective

This call for proposals aims to support large-scale volunteering projects (involving at least 30 EVS volunteers) in the framework of European or worldwide events in the field of youth, culture and sport (e.g. World Youth Summits, European Capitals of Culture; European Youth Capitals, European sport championships, etc.).

### Specific objectives of this call:

Supported projects will consist of the following stages:

- Preparation (including practical arrangements, selection of participants, linguistic/intercultural/task-related preparation of participants before departure);
- Implementation of the European Voluntary Service activities and complementary activities;
- Follow-up (including the evaluation of the EVS activities, the formal recognition - where applicable - of the learning outcomes of participants during the activities, as well as the dissemination and use of the project's outcomes).

### Financed actions

Allowing young people aged 17-30 to express their personal commitment through unpaid and full-time voluntary service for up to 2 months in another country. Volunteers are given the opportunity to contribute to the run-up of the activities and initiatives organised in the framework of a European/international event.

A large-scale EVS event must involve at least 30 volunteers.

Participating organisations are responsible for:

- arranging subsistence, lodging and local transports of volunteers;
- envisaging tasks and activities for volunteers that respect the qualitative principles of the European Voluntary Service, as described in the EVS Charter;
- providing volunteers with on-going task-related, linguistic, personal and administrative support throughout the duration of the EVS activity.

The participation in an EVS activity must be free of charge for volunteers, with the exception of a possible contribution for travel costs (if the Erasmus+ grant does not fully cover these costs) and superfluous expenses not linked to the implementation of the activity. The essential costs for volunteers' participation in the EVS activity are covered by the Erasmus+ grant or through other means afforded by the participating organisations.

The project may include the organisation of side-activities – such as conferences, seminars, meetings and workshops - aimed at promoting the value of volunteering (and notably of the European Voluntary Service) during the event.

The project must last between 3 and 12 months.

### **Eligibility**

Any public or private organisation established in a Programme Country and directly involved in the organisation of the European/international event in the field of youth, culture or sport, or having concluded a formal written cooperation agreement with the event organisers may apply for funding under this call.

Individuals cannot apply for a grant.

### **Financial allocation**

The maximum grant awarded for a large scale EVS event is EUR 200,000.

For more information about the eligible costs and the allocated amounts depending on the country where the European Voluntary Service event takes place see pages 88 and following of the [Guidelines](#)

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3 April 2015

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For enquiries on the application process: [EACEA-YOUTH@ec.europa.eu](mailto:EACEA-YOUTH@ec.europa.eu)

# Call for proposals - YOUNG-4-2015: The young as a driver of social change (Horizon 2020)

## Overall objective

The aim of this call is to fund research analysing the norms, values and attitudes of young people in Europe, as well as their expectations and attitudes regarding public policy and organisation of economic, social and private life, including the organisation of cities and space more generally, as well as the types of business ethos and their different roots. The ultimate aim is to engage the individuals who will be forming the core of our future society and to use their input to feed into the design of public policies.

## Specific objectives of this call:

The funded research include young adults of different ages and sexes, and coming from different geographical, socio-economic, ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds, taking into account both individuals and young families that in particular experience new challenges.

Research should also investigate their attitudes towards a more sustainable socio-economic model and its various features in comparison with older generations, including the evolution of gender relationships. This should take into account the different determinants of youth's active engagement in developing such model, in order to assess the potential and readiness of young people to be a driver of change as well as their propensity to creative solutions and practices. It should also explore the understanding of young people as a community and identify the opportunities and obstacles that young people see as catalysts and inhibitors of the socio-ecological transition and how they could be addressed by policy in order to foster a sustainable and innovative society in Europe, including through formal and informal education as well as digital and traditional media. Research should examine how change in cultural values could contribute to achieving an inclusive and sustainable society.

Research is expected to provide important insights into the perspective of socio-ecological transition from the point of view of young people. It will advance our knowledge about young adults in Europe, their values, norms, communities, expectations needs and political ambitions. Through comparison with older generations, research will identify the intergenerational differences regarding the organisation of economic, social, political and private life in Europe. This will contribute to public policies designed to meet the challenge of transition into a more sustainable economic, political and social model that would at the same time respond to the needs and expectations of young people. At the same time it will identify the areas where education could play a role in shaping attitudes of young people towards the necessary evolution of our lifestyles.

## Financed actions

Actions and activities aiming at contributing to the goals of this call for proposals, as described in the sections above, may be eligible for funding.

## Eligibility

In order to be eligible for funding under this call the proposal must meet the following conditions:

- be submitted from at **least three legal entities**
- each of which shall be established in a different Member State or [associated country](#)
- all three legal entities shall be independent of each other.

## Financial allocation

The total budget made available under this call for proposals is 9,450,000.

The Commission considers that proposals requesting a contribution from the EU of between EUR 1.5 and 2.5 million would allow this specific challenge to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts.

The EU contribution requested can cover up to 100% of the eligible costs of the action (see [specific funding rates](#)).

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## **Call for proposals - REFLECTIVE-5-2015: The cultural heritage of war in contemporary Europe (Research and Innovation Action under Horizon 2020)**

### **Overall objective**

The aim of this call for proposals is to fund multidisciplinary, geographically balanced and comparative research aiming at exploring the complex relationship that contemporary European societies have with the tangible and intangible cultural heritage of the major armed conflicts fought on their soil in the 20th century (inter alia World War I and World War II but also Balkan wars, civil wars, revolutions, etc.).

### **Specific objectives of this call:**

Research undertaken under this topic should aim at the following objectives:

- significantly deepen knowledge on the local, national and European aspects of the cultural heritage of wars and other major armed conflicts;
- provide innovative ways, networks, tools and policy advice on how to maintain and preserve this rich and diverse element of the European cultural heritage and how to promote it further in communication, education and tourism at the level of the whole EU;
- create a lasting dynamic in this specific field of European cultural heritage by putting into place new networks of researchers, local communities, education providers and specialists of heritage preservation and tourism;
- contribute to a better understanding of memorialization practices, cultures of commemoration and the politics of memory across Europe.

### **Financed actions**

The research will map the use of the cultural heritage of the selected major armed conflicts in memorial practices, media and popular culture, political appropriation, education, heritage preservation and related cultural heritage tourism.

It will explore and conceptualise the role that this cultural heritage plays in local and national identities and in the practices and narratives laying the foundation of European identities.

Research will also explore links between national cultural heritage traditions and assess how these can be better articulated, taking the impact of war on cultural memory into account. Comparison with cases from geographical regions outside of Europe could further deepen the comparative aspects of the research.

Finally, the research will also provide genuine and innovative policy recommendations concerning the valorisation, in an inclusive European perspective, of this difficult but fundamental cultural heritage of contemporary Europe. Strong emphasis will be put on the development of new inter-institutional initiatives and high quality new education tools and material for multiple platforms that reinterpret cultural heritage and allow the development of new shared cultural perspectives in Europe going beyond the individual nationally-focused memory cultures.

### **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for funding under this call proposals must fulfill the following requirements:

- Be submitted by a consortium of at least three legal entities
- Each of which be established in a different Member State or associated country (see [list of eligible countries](#))
- All three legal entities shall be independent of each other.

### **Financial allocation**

The total budget earmarked for this call for proposals is EUR 17,500,000.

The Commission considers that proposals requesting a contribution from the EU of between EUR 1.5 and 2.5 million would allow this specific challenge to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts.

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## **Employment, Innovation, Social Affairs & Inclusion**

### **Call for proposals - INSO-5-2015: Social innovation Community (Coordination and Support Action under Horizon 2020)**

#### **Overall objective**

The aim of this call for proposals is to stimulate and support the establishment of a 'Social Innovation Community' of researchers, social innovators, end users (citizens) and policy-makers in order to better link research to practice, develop joint methods and concepts in the area of social innovation research and provide a common space for gathering evidence and identifying new areas for social innovation take up in various fields.

#### **Specific objectives of this call:**

The 'Social Innovation Community' should contribute to the following goals:

- enable convergence towards a common understanding of social innovation as a tool and outcome
- help to provide more effective measures and a better use of resources
- facilitate the policy uptake of research results and experimentation activities
- strengthen evidence-based policy-making through the support of learning processes of 'what works'/'what does not work' and under what conditions
- contribute to more social innovation initiatives from the ground, new possibilities for up-scaling of small social innovation experiments, and new tools of policy making in the field, thereby accelerating social innovation for growth.

#### **Financed actions**

Eligible activities should include:

- the organisation of brokerage events to enhance the networking of on-going research and experimentation projects and other activities in the area of social innovation to enhance, inter alia, a cross-project understanding of the concept of social innovation;
- information and awareness activities through the gathering of researchers and various stakeholders, including civil society organisations, citizens' groups, private actors, policy-makers, user groups and other networks;
- design strategies/activities for ensuring the best possible use of the research results and setting up of a mix of dissemination tools targeting different stakeholders at EU, national and local level;
- the organisation of events aimed at identifying priorities for collaboration and research gaps and needs, and enhancing the quality, quantity and visibility of future actions in the area of social innovation;
- supporting grassroots experiments, replication, incubation and policy uptake of research results ('up-scaling');
- setting up of a network of 'Local Facilitators' for a better dissemination and uptake at all levels.

#### **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for funding under this call proposals must fulfill the following requirements:

- be submitted by at least one legal entity
- which is established in a different Member State or associated country (see [list of eligible countries](#))

#### **Financial allocation**

The indicative total budget earmarked for this call for proposals is EUR 13,470,000.

The Commission considers that proposals requesting a contribution from the EU of EUR 3 million would allow this specific challenge to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts.

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## **Call for proposals - REFLECTIVE-8-2015: Communication and dissemination platform (Horizon 2020)**

### **Overall objective**

This support action has a twofold purpose. First, it is aimed at contributing to the provision of consolidated information on the findings of EU-funded projects in the area of inclusive, innovative and reflective societies, developing communication materials for policy makers, academics, the media and the general public, and improving the quality of existing texts. This includes helping to guarantee an improved access to research projects' data.

Second, the Commission aims at improving the dissemination activities for research results in the area of inclusive, innovative and reflective societies (workshops, conferences or other types of ad hoc events) in order to complement European Commission activities, using the latest information and communication technologies and tools.

### **Specific objectives of this call:**

The supporting action should foster dialogue and cooperation amongst researchers themselves (not only from EU-funded projects but also those funded by other international or national organisations when relevant) and between researchers and other stakeholders (policy makers, public institutions, civil society, trade unions, practitioners etc.), from a multidisciplinary policy perspective and focussing on innovation, inclusion and growth valorising the impact of research findings.

The supporting action will bring together other communication experts and researchers on the topics selected for EU funding, creating communities with multidisciplinary perspectives that will ensure effective dissemination and take up of EU-funded research results increasing therefore substantially their visibility. The action is also expected to provide insights on how to improve the availability and quality of data as well as contribute to the development of the European Research Area, in particular in the field of social sciences and the humanities and to the development of future research agendas.

### **Financed actions**

Research and Policy Communities, in the form of groups or ad hoc debates, would contribute to the review of past and on-going EU research. They would contribute to screen and use those results for the design of research agendas and dissemination and valorisation strategies as well as, to the identification of data collection challenges. Tools like innovative internet platforms or social networks should be used. Dissemination at European/national level must be addressed, via specific events, networks of national facilitators or other modalities of action. A meaningful thematic clustering of past and on-going projects and the related activities proposed by the platform may be tackled covering in particular (but not only) the themes

related to the European economic and financial reform, the problems of young people in Europe, cultural heritage, values and diversities in Europe as well as the EU role as a global actor.

### **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for funding under this call the proposal must come from at least one legal entity established in a Member State or associated country.

### **Financial allocation**

The total budget made available under this call for proposals is estimated at EUR 17,500,000.

The Commission considers that proposals requesting a contribution from the EU in the range of EUR 1 million would allow this specific challenge to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts.

The EU grant can cover up to 100% of the eligible costs of the action (see specific funding rates [here](#)).

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### **Call for proposals - EuropeAid/136602/DD/ACT/Multi: Cross-border Programme Croatia – Serbia under the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA)**

#### **Overall objective**

The global objective of this Call for Proposals is to promote the sustainable development of the cross-border region through effective use of the region's economic potential, in synergy with friendly and appropriate use of natural resources ensuring the preservation of regional biodiversity and also through providing help in the recovery effort in the flooded areas in within the Programme area in Serbia and Croatia.

#### **Specific objectives of this call:**

The specific objectives of this Call for Proposals are:

- To protect and safeguard the natural assets of the cross-border region by taking joint actions and by increasing public awareness;
- To promote good neighbourly relations across the border between local communities
- To help Serbia and Croatia in the recovery effort allowing private persons, business and public services to resume their normal functions as soon as possible within the scope of strategy and global objective of this Call for Proposals.

These objectives will be achieved through the implementation of actions under the following set of CBP Croatia-Serbia Measures:

- Measure 1.2: Environmental protection
- Measure 1.3: People-to-People

#### **Financed actions**

Applications must fall within the scope of only one of the 2 priority measures described below:

##### **- Measure 1.2 Environmental Protection**

This measure will support awareness raising activities on environmental issues and joint actions to ensure that sites of high environmental and landscape value, affected and ruined by floods are rehabilitated and managed so that they can sustain the pressures of tourism development without losing their value. In addition, the measure will support the development of more effective systems and approaches to emergency preparedness in relation to flood prevention and control, including the implications on cross-border pollution,, food safety and health issues that occurred or might occur as results of the floods. The measure will also support the development of joint waste management and minimisation strategies. A selected number of actions will be supported which result in the clean-up and restoration of sites polluted /damaged by the floods.

##### **- Measure 1.3 People to People**

This measure will encourage contacts, communication and cooperation between local communities and local community organisations/agencies within the cross-border region, particularly in support of women and marginalised groups (unemployed youth and disabled), local democracy and the development of civil society, as long as these activities clearly contribute to helping in the recovery efforts in the flooded area and are allowing private persons, business and public services to resume their normal functions within the scope of strategy and global objective of this Call for Proposals.

### **Actions must:**

- take place in the programme area, and preferably in the flood-affected area within it, in Croatia and/or Serbia;
- have effect both in the Croatian and in the Serbian parts of the programme area
- Last minimum 12 and maximum 24 months

By way of illustration projects could contain a range of the following activities:

### **Measure 1.2 Environmental Protection**

- o Cross-border cooperation between organisations involved in environmental protection and management of protected sites;
- o Joint actions to develop solid waste management systems;
- o Joint actions to establish environmental monitoring systems;
- o Joint management and joint preservation of water resources and improvement of water quality;
- o Identification and clean-up of uncontrolled waste disposal sites and development of prevention measures;
- o Construction of small-scale, regional level, environmental and emergency preparedness infrastructure;
- o Direct actions related to renewable energy sources;
- o Awareness and information campaigns in relation to environment and emergency preparedness which focus on key areas of concern such as waste management, preservation of biodiversity and responses to flooding.

### **Measure 1.3 People to People**

- o Joint health services delivery;
- o Developing cross-border cooperation between organisations providing social and welfare services;

The following types of action are ineligible:

- o actions concerned only or mainly with individual sponsorships for participation in workshops, seminars, conferences and congresses;
- o actions concerned only or mainly with individual scholarships for studies or training courses;
- o actions without cross-border impact;
- o actions aimed at the upgrading of infrastructure and equipment in privately owned facilities;
- o preparatory studies or preparation of preliminary work design for works to be carried out within the project;
- o actions related to profit making activities;
- o actions linked to political parties;
- o actions which fall within the general activities of competent state and/or regional institutions or state administration services, including local government;
- o actions with provisions for financing the usual (routine) activities of the local organisations especially covering their running (usual, routine...) costs;
- o actions confined to charitable donations;
- o actions related to the tobacco industry, the production of alcoholic distilled beverages and arms and munitions.

### **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for a grant, the **applicant** must:

- be non-profit-making legal persons established by public or private law for the purposes of public interest or specific purpose of meeting needs of general interest, which is proven by statute and/or articles of association/decision on establishment, of the respective institution in accordance with relevant law;

- be established in Croatia when applying for the allocation assigned to Croatia and be established in Serbia when applying for the allocation assigned to Serbia
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary
- belong to one of the following categories:

**For measure 1.2:**

- o Regional /local public authorities
- o Public non-profit-making organisations including universities, colleges, secondary and elementary schools
- o Public companies in charge of communal infrastructure and waste management
- o Agencies in charge of environmental and nature protection
- o Agencies dealing with emergency planning
- o Regional and local development agencies (In Croatia only)

**For measure 1.3:**

- o Public non-profit-making organisations including secondary and elementary schools
- o Organisations responsible for providing social and health services
- o Regional and local development agencies (In Croatia only)

Co-applicant(s) must satisfy the eligibility criteria as applicable to the applicant himself **except the criterion of establishment**: Each co-applicant of the applicants must be established in a Member State of the European Union or a country that is a beneficiary of the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA), a country that is a beneficiary of the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI), or a Member State of the European Economic Area. Co-applicant may also be established in any country where reciprocal access to the European Union's external assistance is established by means of a specific decision concerning a given country or a given regional group of countries.

**Financial allocation**

The overall indicative amount of the CBP Croatia-Serbia made available under this Call for Proposals for actions implemented in the eligible and adjacent areas is EUR 3.600.000, out of which EUR 1.800.000 for Croatia and EUR 1.800.000 for Serbia.

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall between the following minimum and maximum amounts: EUR 300,000 and 600,000.

An action implemented in both countries will consist of two grants: one awarded in Croatia and one awarded in Serbia.

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1 June 2015

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# Call for proposals - WASTE-4d-2015: Raw materials partnerships (Horizon 2020)

## Overall objective

The aim of this call for proposals is to foster cooperation between different value chain players and stakeholders, including citizens and civil society organisations, in order to increase the efficient use of raw materials and to improve waste reduction.

## Specific objectives of this call:

In the medium term, the expected impact of this call for proposals is:

- to achieve better-informed decision-making at EU and national level as well as by industry
- to increase the EU raw materials knowledge and transparency of EU raw materials information, for the benefit of various stakeholders
- to boost the raw material sector through an interdisciplinary and transnational cooperation allowing matching the supply and demand from the EU downstream industries.

In the longer term, the expected impact is:

- to improve the availability of key raw materials, while creating greater added value to the economy and more jobs
- to facilitate the exchange of information and an increased knowledge and use of the most advanced, economically effective and innovative technologies in the whole value chain of raw materials
- to contribute to the implementation of the EIP on Raw Materials.

## Financed actions

Proposals shall address the following issue:

**Raw materials partnerships:** Creation of a common multi-stakeholder platform focused on a limited number of key raw materials across their whole value chain. This should involve partners from across the value chain, including mining, processing, recycling, application, public sectors (national/regional/local) and civil society, while respecting the conditions of each value chain. The action shall support implementation of the [European Innovation Partnership \(EIP\) on Raw Materials](#).

## Eligibility

In order to be eligible for funding under this call the proposal must come from at least one legal entity established in a Member State or associated country.

## Financial allocation

The total budget made available under this call is estimated at EUR 4,000,000.

The Commission considers that proposals requesting a contribution from the EU of up to EUR 1.5 million would allow this specific challenge to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts.

The EU grant awarded under this call can cover up to 100% of the eligible costs of the action (see specific funding provisions [here](#)).

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## **Call for proposals - SC5-04-2015: Improving the air quality and reducing the carbon footprint of European cities (Research and Innovation Action under Horizon 2020)**

### **Overall objective**

The overall objective of this call is to support integrated approaches when designing emission abatement strategies in order to find long-term, sustainable solutions in the EU.

### **Specific objectives of this call**

This call aims particularly at achieving the following impact:

- Reducing the negative effects on health and climate together with the costs associated with air pollution in the EU
- Increasing compliance with the EU air quality legislation
- Supporting EU air policy at EU and Member State level
- Contributing to a rapid market deployment of technological and non-technological innovative solutions
- Contributing to the goals of the Smart Cities and Communities focus area
- Fostering a societal transformation to a green and low carbon economy
- Improving air quality in EU cities in the medium- to long-term.

### **Financed actions**

This call will fund the development of technological options and strategies to fight against air pollution in urban environments and against climate change ensuring the involvement of the main pollution-generation sectors.

Proposals should include the development and application of tools in support of integrated air quality and climate change governance in EU Member States, with the aim of designing and implementing adequate abatement strategies and practices. The specific circumstances of the different regions and cities of Europe and the complex systems dynamics of societal and technological changes required for a transition to air pollution free/low carbon society should be taken into account.

Proposals should foster the integration of advanced tools for the assessment, monitoring, modelling – including source apportionment – with innovative technological options and strategies to improve air quality and reduce the carbon footprint of urban areas.

Furthermore, awareness-raising actions and policy support activities should be included. Proposals should include the participation of SMEs, as far as possible.

### **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for funding under this call proposals must fulfill the following requirements:

- Be submitted by a consortium of at least three legal entities

- Each of which be established in a different Member State or associated country (see [list of eligible countries](#))
- All three legal entities shall be independent of each other.

### **Financial allocation**

The total budget earmarked for this call for proposals amounts to EUR 50,000,000.

The Commission considers that proposals requesting a contribution from the EU of between EUR 6 and 8 million would allow this specific challenge to be addressed appropriately. Nonetheless, this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts.

### **Deadline:**

21 April 2015

### **Info**

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## Development and Cooperation

### **Call for proposals - EACEA 03/2015: Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (EU Aid Volunteers)**

#### **Overall objective**

The objective of this call is to strengthen the capacities of sending and hosting organisations intending to participate in the EU Aid Volunteers initiative and to ensure compliance with the standards and procedures regarding candidate volunteers and EU Aid Volunteers.

#### **Specific objectives of this call:**

With this call the European Commission expects to achieve the following results:

Strengthen the capacities of up to 100 sending and hosting organisations in the fields of:

- Disaster risk management, preparedness and response as well as linking relief, rehabilitation and development;
- Volunteer management according to the standards and procedures for the management of the candidate volunteers and the EU Aid Volunteers;
- Strengthening local volunteering in third countries;
- Capacities to undergo certification including administrative capacity;
- Tools and methods of needs assessment at a local level;
- Communicating the European Union's humanitarian aid principles agreed in the European Consensus on Humanitarian
- Aid and raise awareness levels and visibility of its humanitarian aid

#### **Financed actions**

Activities supported under this call for both Technical assistance and Capacity building projects may include the following:

- Study/scoping visits/mapping and analysis
- Seminars/workshops/conferences
- Job-shadowing/On the job training
- Exchange visits of staff/Twinning arrangements
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Organisational reviews/assessments
- Coaching and mentoring
- Facilitated retreats/team building
- Training courses/train the trainers
- Distance learning/webinars/Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC)
- Consultancy
- Exchange of good practice/peer learning
- Simulation exercises/response assessments

The themes covered by these activities can include:

- EU humanitarian aid: functioning and principles;
- Monitoring and evaluation;
- Leadership development;
- Organisational development/strategic planning/change management;
- Administration/financial management/accounting;
- improving accountability/governance/participation;
- Communication/visibility/stakeholder relations;
- Advocacy; Research/producing evidence; programme and project management;
- (Local) volunteering development;
- Funding/fundraising;
- Networking/partnership and alliance building (including for future EU Aid projects);
- Standards and procedures of the EU Aid Volunteers Initiative.

For both types of projects must start between 1 September 2015 and 31 December 2015, with a minimum duration of 6 months and a maximum duration of 24 months.

## Eligibility

Proposals for both, Technical assistance and Capacity building activities, must be submitted by:

- non-governmental not-for-profit organisations formed in accordance with the law of a Member State and whose headquarters are located within the Union; or
- public law bodies of a civilian character governed by the law of a Member State; or
- the International Federation of National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

**Applicants** (Applicant — coordinating organisations) must — at the specified deadline for submitting their proposals — have at least five years of experience of activity within the field of humanitarian aid.

The **Partner organisations** must be:

- non-governmental not-for-profit; or
  - public law bodies of a civilian character; or
  - the International Federation of National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
- **Technical assistance projects** must involve the applicant and partner organisations from at least three different countries participating in the programme (only bodies established in the 28 Member States of the EU are eligible under these projects), of which:
    - at least one partner organisation is active in the field of humanitarian aid
    - at least one partner must have a minimum of 5 years of experience in volunteer management;
  - **Capacity building projects** must involve the applicant and partner organisations from at least six different countries, of which:
    - at least three partners are from third countries
    - all partners from countries participating in the programme must have been active in the field of humanitarian aid for at least 5 year
    - at least two partners from third countries must be active in the field of humanitarian aid
    - at least one partner from countries participating in the programme must have been active in the field of volunteer management for at least 5 years.

## Financial allocation

The total budget earmarked for the co-financing of projects is EUR 4,863,600.

The maximum grant value awarded under this call for proposals is EUR 700,000

The minimum grant value is EUR 100,000. Grant requests below that value will not be considered.

### Deadline:

1 April 2015

### Info

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# Call for tenders - EuropeAid/136489/DH/SER/Multi: Facility for Euromed dialogue and exchange of best practises (Mediterranean Region)

## Overall objective

This tender aims to maintain the existing relevant networks and to further develop the regional dialogue in the following domains: statistics, telecommunications and audio-visual, integrated maritime policy, climate change and emerging dialogues.

The contract is divided into 3 lots:

Lot 1 - Statistics;

Lot 2 - Telecommunication and audio-visual;

Lot 3 - Integrated Maritime Policy / Climate change

## Financed actions

The following actions will be eligible for funding under this call for tenders:

- provision of resources and expertise aimed at maintaining structured dialogue and exchange of best practices based on EU rules and standards;
- organization of conferences, workshops and regional seminars on domains mentioned above;
- provision of technical assistance at regional level, including development of background documents and discussion papers on the domains mentioned above;
- provision of expertise and/or assure participation/moderation of specialised organisations with steering from Commission's Directorates-Generals, EU institutions or Union for the Mediterranean on domains mentioned above;
- provision of expertise/logistics related to specific activities linked to each domain, such as work programmes on specific socio-economic issues of interest for the region, drafting of research reports, establishment of working groups, study visits, expert missions.

## Eligibility

Participation is open to all natural persons who are nationals of and legal persons participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) of tenderers which are effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in a eligible country or territory as defined in the applicable Instrument under which the contract is financed (i.e. European Neighbourhood Instrument). The ENI covers the countries of the Mediterranean region listed in [Annex I of the Regulation establishing a European Neighbourhood Instrument](#).

Participation is also open to international organisations. All supplies under this contract must originate in one or more of these countries. However, they may originate from any country when the amount of the supplies to be purchased is below 100,000 euros per purchase.

In addition, in order to be eligible for this call, applicants must prove their financial, economic, technical and professional capacity to be able to run this contract. Specific requirements apply depending on the lot and are detailed in pages 4-6 of the Guidelines enclosed.

## Financial allocation

The total budget earmarked for this tender is estimated at EUR 8.900.000, which will be split into three lots as follows:

- Lot 1 – Statistics: EUR 5,000,000
- Lot 2 – Telecommunication and audio-visual: EUR 1,200,000
- Lot 3 – Integrated Maritime Policy / Climate change: EUR 2,700,000

## Deadline:

7 April 2015

## Info

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## **Call for proposals - EuropeAid/136813/DD/ACT/US: EU AND US : GETTING TO KNOW EUROPE 2015-2017**

### **Overall objective**

The overall objective of this call is to promote greater knowledge and understanding, within local and regional communities in the United States, of the European Union (EU), its international role, its policies, its culture, and the value and significance of the EU-US transatlantic partnership.

### **Specific objectives of this call:**

The specific objectives of this Call for Proposals are:

- to promote widespread understanding and visibility of the EU, its international role and its policies, within local and regional communities in the United States;
- to promote the value and importance of the EU-US transatlantic partnership through outreach activities to promote the EU's values and interests across the United States;
- to promote increased understanding of the EU and greater affinity for, and interest in, EU-US relations across a range of audiences including opinion leaders, the business community, think tanks, government, university and secondary-level educators, the media, and civil society including non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

### **Financed actions**

The eligible themes may relate to the whole array of the current EU-US policy issues but also to cultural events or dates of significance (Europe Day celebrations on May 9th for example; Europe Week), any outreach and public diplomacy activities which would promote the EU values and interests in the US, raising the awareness of the EU as a global actor.

The following types of action are eligible:

- actions carried out across the US by institutions to provide participation in activities listed below which promote knowledge and understanding of the EU in the US;
- actions carried out across the US by institutions which provide a platform for prominent speakers, academics, and practitioners from the EU institutions and EU member states.

Actions must take place in the United States.

The duration of an action may not exceed 24 months between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2017.

Examples of activities eligible for funding under this call include:

- Programmes of conferences, seminars, workshops; massive open online courses, webinars, or talks that may feature expert researchers, policymakers, business representatives and EU/EU Member State representatives (minimum of 2 EU Member States);
- Competitions (e.g. essays, quizzes, paintings, EU simulations), presentations or exhibitions;
- Training programmes and briefing sessions for local and regional officials or multiplier groups; Cultural programs such as film shows, concerts, exhibitions, performances, literary programs, interdisciplinary forms of cultural practices or food fairs itinerating across different locations in the country;

- Dissemination of information about, and promotion of, the EU through radio/TV programs, videos, websites, digital media, publications, information booklets and brochures; Actions must take place in the United States.

## Eligibility

In order to be eligible for a grant, the applicant must:

- be non-profit-making;
- be a non-governmental (NGO), not-for-profit (NPO) institution including, but not limited to, secondary schools, universities, trade unions, business associations, teachers federations, youth groups and associations, local community groups, cultural institutions, local associations promoting socio-cultural exchanges across the Atlantic, media and other professional training centers, national "umbrella" groups with active local chapters, and other civil society organizations such as chambers of commerce. Universities are included among institutions eligible to apply but should focus on outreach to the local or regional community because this Call is not aimed at purely academic activities;
- be established in a Member State of the European Union or in an eligible country or territory as defined in the applicable Instrument (i.e. Partnership Instrument). According to article 2 of the [Regulation establishing the Partnership Instrument](#), in principle all third countries may be eligible for cooperation under this Regulation. For the purposes of this call for proposals "beneficiaries" countries should demonstrate status as a legal entity in the **United States**;
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary.

## Financial allocation

The overall indicative amount made available under this Call for Proposals is EUR 1.5 million.

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall at or below the maximum amount of EUR 100,000.

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must not exceed the maximum 75% of total eligible costs of the action.

### Deadline:

4 May 2015

### Info

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## Democracy, Citizenship and Transparency

### **Call for proposals - EuropeAid/136665/DD/ACT/TH: Civil Society Organisations: Enhancing CSOs' Contribution to Governance and Development Processes in Thailand**

#### **Overall objective**

The global objective of this Call for Proposals is to support CSOs' contributions towards reinforced governance and accountability through inclusive policy-making by empowering citizens and populations to voice and structure their demands to tackle injustice and inequality.

#### **Specific objectives of this call:**

The specific objectives of this Call for Proposals are established to promote enabling environment for Thai CSOs to operate in the following areas of their engagements in governance and development process:

1. Thai CSOs as actors in governance and public accountability
2. Thai CSOs as partners in promoting social development
3. Thai CSOs as stakeholders in promoting inclusive and sustainable growth
4. Thai CSOs as essential bodies to reinforce progress towards peaceful social cohesion, conflict reconciliation and stable society.

This Call for Proposals is divided into two **lots and four sub-lots** which are aiming at different types of actions and geographical distribution.

#### **Financed actions**

Actions must take place mainly in Thailand. Any action with a cross border or multi-country scope (covering Thailand and one or more country(ies)) cannot be supported under this Call for proposals. Locations of actions must correspond to geographical distributions specified in lots and sub-lots. Actions submitted under:

- **Lot 1** are to be carried out mainly in Thailand with the exception of the Southern Thailand provinces
- **Lot 2** are to be carried out mainly in Southern Thailand provinces

Following the Call's objectives, activities which can be financed under this Call are the supports in:

- Promoting for improved democratic governance and accountability at country level and with public authorities, such as monitoring the implementation of policies and laws, anti-corruption initiatives, and public access to information legislation. Special attention will be paid to capacity building, research and knowledge dissemination, networking and structuring of networks, and mentoring opportunities for Thai local CSOs;
- Implementing by national Thai CSO platforms by involving media to address the issue of building capacity for local CSOs to address the issue of governance and accountability. National Thai CSO platforms can play an important role in this regard having more potential to impact on policy work, favouring a broader representation of interests and positions and potentially benefitting from a large variety of skills, expertise and capacities;
- Contributing to the improvement of service quality by contributing to policy work, stimulating informed demand and social accountability initiatives including using Information and Communication Technologies;
- Testing and launching innovations improving responsiveness of social policies to populations' needs through advocacy and participation to policy dialogue in social sectors – advocacy campaigns, capacity building, research and knowledge dissemination, networking and structuring of networks and etc;

- Only in duly justified cases, as demonstrated by the project proposal, providing social services including legal support can be foreseen where public authorities, including LAs, do not have the capacity or the resources to effectively deliver social services to the most vulnerable population groups and out of mainstream segments of society;
- Improving capacities of Thai CSOs to participate in multi-actor partnerships, within sound organizational arrangements agreed with the public authorities, private sectors.
- Stimulating policy innovation and improving responsiveness of economic policies to populations' needs;
- Supporting social-economics initiatives aimed at wealth and job creation, targeting populations with limited opportunities for economic empowerment, including affordable innovations;
- Reinforcing service provision for productive activities and access to productive resources (e.g. business support, market access and opportunities for integration of the informal economy) to populations with limited access to such means to enhance their livelihoods;
- Contributing to the improvement of business environmental and practices and economics services' quality highlighting governance and corporate social responsibility by stimulating informed demand and structuring feedback mechanism by using Information and Communication Technology;
- Aiming at building confidence, reconciliation (especially in conflict-affected areas) and mutual trust of different societal segments through for example the promotion and dissemination of local culture including arts, literature and music.

**The above list is indicative and non-exhaustive.**

### **Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for a grant, the applicant must:

- be a legal person and
- be non-profit-making and
- be Civil Society Organisations legally registered in Thailand or in a Member State of the European Union or in a Member State of the European Economic Area (EEA)
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the coapplicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary.
- International Organisations are not eligible to this CSO Call for Proposals.

### **For all Lots and Sub-lots:**

- Main applicant legally registered in Thailand must act with at least one Thai legally registered co-applicants (i.e. Thai main applicant and at least one Thai co-applicants)
- Main applicants legally registered in EU or EEA Member States must act with at least one co-applicant legally established in Thailand (i.e. EU/EEA main applicant and one Thai co-applicant).

Co-applicant(s) must satisfy the eligibility criteria as applicable to the applicant himself.

### **Financial allocation**

The overall indicative amount made available under this Call for Proposals is EUR 6,000,000. This amount is split into the 2 lots in the following way<sup>1</sup>:

- **LOT 1: Actions implemented nationwide with the exception of the Deep South of Thailand** (EUR 4,000,000), of which:

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<sup>1</sup> For detailed information about the minimum and maximum size of the grants awarded under each sub-lot, see page 7 of the Guidelines enclosed.

- EUR 2,000,000 are allocated to **Sub-lot 1.1:** Supporting Thai local CSOs actions for which financial support to third parties may be included but should not be the main purpose of the action. The financial allocation under this sub-lot is 2 000 000
  - EUR 2,000,000 are allocated to **Sub-lot 1.2:** Supporting Thai local CSOs action with the mandatory provision of financial support to third parties.
- **LOT 2: Actions implemented in Deep South of Thailand** (EUR 2,000,000), of which:
- EUR 1,000,000 are allocated to **Sub-lot 2.1:** Supporting Thai local CSOs actions for which financial support to third parties may be included but should not be the main purpose of the action.
  - EUR 1,000,000 are allocated to **Sub-lot 2.2:** Supporting Thai local CSOs action with the mandatory provision of financial support to third parties. The financial allocation under this sub-lot is 1 000 000 EUR

**Deadline:**

17 April 2015

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**Call for proposals - EuropeAid/136836/ID/ACT/TR: Civil Society Dialogue between EU and Turkey - IV - Education Grant Scheme (CSD-IV/EDU)**

**Overall objective**

The global objective of this Call for Proposals is to achieve a high level of mutual understanding between all sectors of civil society in Turkey and in the EU Member States, including the implications of Turkey's EU membership.

**Specific objectives of this call:**

The specific objective of this Call for Proposals is establishment of strong links and a high level cooperation between civil society in Turkey and the EU Member States through civil society dialogue in the area of education where civil society dialogue is particularly valuable for Turkey's successful accession to the EU.

The proposed project (Action) should fall in one or more of the below mentioned priority areas in the field of education:

- Combatting with early school leaving,
- Developing key competences for lifelong learning (such as digital competence, learning to learn, a sense of initiative and entrepreneurship),
- Improving teachers professional and pedagogical development,
- Pre-school education,
- Quality in adult learning.

**Financed actions**

The initial planned duration of an Action may not be lower than 10 months or exceed 15 months.

Actions must take place in one or more of the following countries: Turkey, EU Member States. If the project includes co-applicant(s) from Candidate Country(ies), in addition to the Actions that will take place in countries stated above, if properly justified by the Applicant, some Actions can be implemented in Candidate Country(ies). However, such activities cannot constitute the major part of the Action.

All actions (projects), which aim at achieving the Programme objectives and fall within the one or more of the priority areas listed below, may qualify for financing under this call:

**Priority Area 1: Combatting with early school leaving**

- Identifying and transferring or adapting the relevant good practices in different countries to be used to prevent early school leaving;
- Developing innovative delivery models and toolkits which can be used in different learning settings;
- Identifying and analysing the prevention, intervention, compensation and monitoring measures;
- Actions targeting the involvement of parents in the prevention of early school leaving;
- Training actions for members of the school administration and teachers;
- Strengthening cooperation among NGOs, public institutions, and international organizations in this issue.

**Priority Area 2: Developing key competences for lifelong learning (such as digital competence, learning to learn, a sense of initiative and entrepreneurship)**

- Enhancement of technical and policy related knowledge and expertise on the best practices (e.g. how to implement new education methods (interactive or IT based) in Entrepreneurship Education; comparative analysis of implementation in Member States, candidate countries and/or Turkey);
- Promotion and better understanding of communication and dissemination activities.

**Priority Area 3: Improving teachers professional and pedagogical development**

- Strengthening cooperation among NGOs, public institutions, and international organisations in the field of education;
- Analysing the best practices;
- Conducting field studies and surveys;
- Supporting to learning and research initiatives;
- Identifying the key professional needs of education staff and developing support and monitoring systems or measures to sustain the qualified teaching in the schools.

**Priority Area 4: Pre-school education**

- Enhancement of know-how and expertise on the best practices with the aim of increasing access to pre-school education and improving the quality of pre-school education services;
- Improving the involvement and know-how of parents, local authorities, NGOs, etc. on pre-school education;
- Improving professional skills of school managers, teachers, trainers and staff providing pre-school education services.

**Priority Area 5: Quality in adult learning**

- Developing cooperation and networking with the international organisations, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and relevant public and private institutions from Turkey and EU countries with the aim of encouraging all educational institutions to reach out more to adult learners especially disadvantaged groups, identifying key factors for their reintegration into the labour market and society;
- As part of the understanding towards developing a culture of adult learning, actions focusing on identifying and removing barriers to adult learning, and on establishing demand-driven, high quality provision and facilities for the adult learning field, including e-Learning and distance learning opportunities;
- Identifying the professional needs of adult education staff and improving the capacity of educational staff by training activities, establishing links with exchange of experiences, skills, etc.;
- Promoting and supporting the exchange of good practices, mutual learning and the development of joint actions in the adult education in securing high quality learning provision tailored to the needs of learners. Special emphasis should be placed on Information Communication Technologies (ICT) learning approaches and the development of ICT skills;
- Developing quality criteria for adult learning providers and developing innovative mechanism and models for the assessment and monitoring of learning outcomes

All actions should focus on enhancing dialogue between the civil societies in the EU and Turkey in order to be awarded grant under this Call for Proposals.

All publications developed/published in scope of the actions must be in both applicant's and co-applicant(s)'s language(s).

All projects are expected to ensure gender mainstreaming in all project activities.

## Eligibility

In order to be eligible for a grant, the Applicant must:

- be a legal person
- be non-profit making
- be non-governmental organisations (NGOs) (Associations; foundations; federations and confederations of associations or foundations in Turkey ; not-for-profit organisations in the EU Member States )
- be established in a Member State of the European Union or Turkey
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the Action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary.

Co-applicant(s) participate in designing and implementing the Action, and the costs they incur are eligible in the same way as those incurred by the Applicant.

Co-applicant(s) must satisfy the eligibility criteria as applicable to the Applicant himself.

In addition to the categories previously referred to, the following are also eligible:

- Universities
- Chambers, federations, confederations and unions

## Financial allocation

The overall indicative amount made available under this Call for Proposals is EUR 1,000,000

The maximum grant awarded under this call for proposals is EUR 150,000.

The minimum grant awarded under this call for proposals is EUR 50,000.

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall between the following minimum and maximum percentages of total eligible costs of the Action:

- Minimum percentage: 50% of the total eligible costs of the Action
- Maximum percentage: 100% of the total eligible costs of the Action
- Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must further be limited to 90% of the estimated total accepted costs. In case that the total accepted costs are equal to the total eligible costs, the percentage applicable to the total accepted costs applies to the total eligible costs to ensure the required co-financing.

## Deadline:

1 June 2015

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# Call for proposals - EuropeAid/136797/DH/ACT/CY: Cypriot Civil Society in Action V

## Overall objective

The global objective of this call is to strengthen civil society in the northern part of Cyprus as a key actor in the development of a culture of dialogue, participation in the community life and the promotion of values of tolerance, peace and active citizenship.

## Specific objectives of this call:

The specific objectives of this Call for Proposals are:

- To support the development of a more vibrant civil society in the Turkish Cypriot community and their actions for the public interest;
- To support Civil Society Organisation capacity building and advocacy projects to reinforce sector based networking and coordination and citizen's involvement in policy design and monitoring.

The specific objectives of this Call for Proposals will be achieved by providing grants to CSOs in one of the following priority sectors: Environment (natural resources and waste, nature and biodiversity and environment and health) and Human Rights (civil and political rights, economic, social and cultural rights, fight against human trafficking).

## Financed actions

The initial planned duration of an action may not be lower than 24 months nor exceed 36 months.

Actions, must take place in the northern part of Cyprus. Some of the activities may take place in a Member State of the European Union, if proven relevant by the description of the action.

Applicants are required to design projects **with two or more of the following activities** (Actions that include all three categories of activities will receive higher scorings during the assessment process):

- Social and political dialogue and advocacy aiming at improving legal frameworks and civic engagement.
- Awareness raising and social mobilization, aiming at sensitizing the population and induce social changes for the common benefit.
- Service provision designed to generate a direct impact on the targeted priority.
- Applicants are also invited to include in their proposals, when justified, activities which may benefit their internal governance and capacities and so strengthen their organisation, as follows:
- Capacity building activities aimed at increase the technical, managerial and structural capacities of the applicant (trainings, workshops, attendance to lectures or seminars, etc. by the staff of the applicant – be it paid or voluntary)
- Networking and knowledge sharing activities with other projects, CSOs and/or platforms locally and/or at EU level
- Communication strategies and activities for the promotion of the applicant and its activities.

Partnerships are obligatory, Applicant and co-applicant(s) will have to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between them reflecting partnership values and the mutual understanding of the parties, and stating operating principles (decision making process, financial arrangement, shared activities, etc.).

For further details and examples on the types of actions that may be funded under each of the priority sectors (i.e. Environment and Human Rights), see pages 15 and following of the [Guidelines](#).

Moreover, if a project proposal within any of the priority areas includes some of the following aspects it would be considered as a value-added element:

- Actions reaching out to remote areas and/or marginalized communities.
- Actions in networks in particular with Greek Cypriot and/or international Civil Society Organisations to share best practices and strengthen common approaches and agendas.
- Actions which incorporate gender perspectives.

## Eligibility

In order to be eligible for a grant, the applicant must:

- be legal persons
- be non-profit-making
- be a Civil Society Organization (CSO)
- be registered in the northern part of Cyprus
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary
- have not been awarded a grant under the Cypriot Civil Society in Action IV or under the Community Development 3 programmes, either as the lead applicant or as a co-applicant.

In order to be eligible for a grant, the co-applicants must:

- be legal persons
- be non-profit-making
- be a Civil Society Organization (CSO)
- be registered in the northern part of Cyprus or in anywhere else in the European Union.

### **Financial allocation**

The overall indicative amount made available under this Call for Proposals is EUR 1,635,000.

The maximum EU grant requested under this call is EUR 300,000.

The minimum EU grant requested under this call is EUR 75,000.  
Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall between the following minimum and maximum percentages of total eligible costs of the action:

- Minimum percentage: 60% of the total eligible costs of the action
- Maximum percentage: 95% of the total eligible costs of the action

### **Deadline:**

27 May 2015

### **Info**

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## Justice, Rule of Law and Human Rights

### Call for proposals - HOME/2014/AMIF/AG/ASYL: Asylum Action Grants

#### Overall objective

This Call for proposals aims at funding transnational projects to strengthen and develop all aspects of the Common European Asylum System (CEAS).

#### Specific objectives of this call:

Project applications under the present Call for Proposals will aim at identifying, developing and promoting good practices pertaining to the following **priorities**:

1. identification of special needs of vulnerable asylum seekers related to the asylum procedures and the reception conditions;
2. provision of legal and procedural information free of charge;
3. integration of persons benefiting from international protection.

The expected results are the development of good practices and exchange of information in the above mentioned fields.

#### Financed actions

To meet the priorities mentioned in the previous section, projects should achieve one or more of the following outcomes (non-exhaustive list):

#### **Under the priority " Identification of special needs of vulnerable asylum seekers, related to the asylum procedures and the reception conditions":**

- Exchange of information and development of good practices between national asylum authorities, between them and other stakeholders (such as non-governmental organisations and international organisations) on the identification of special procedural and reception needs of asylum seekers
- This can include actions related to the development of common or national indicators and guidelines on this issue for asylum seekers with special needs in general or for a more specific group within asylum seekers with special needs.

#### **Under the priority "Provision of legal and procedural information free of charge" in 1st instance procedure**

- Exchange of information and development of good practices between national asylum authorities, between them and other stakeholders (such as non-governmental organisations and international organisations) on the institutional and procedural framework applicable for the provision of legal and procedural information free of charge as well as the content of such information.
- Analysis of the impact of the provision of legal and procedural information on the overall quality of the decision making procedure, including trends in the number of appeals.

#### **Under the priority "Integration of persons benefiting from international protection:**

- Exchange of information and development of good practices between national authorities, between them and other stakeholders (such as local authorities, non-governmental organisations and international organisations) and between the latter on issues related to new approaches on integration of persons benefiting from international protection.
- This would cover one or several of the different aspects of the integration process adapted to the needs of the persons benefiting from international protection (e.g. cultural and language courses, preparation measures to the access to the labour market, recognition of professional qualifications, training of staff dealing with persons benefiting from international protection, etc.).

In principle applications should target an estimated duration of 18 to 24 months. Applications for projects scheduled to run for a longer period will be rejected.

## Eligibility

In order to be eligible for a grant, Applicants (i.e. both the coordinator and the co-beneficiary partners) must fulfill the following requirements:

- be legal persons. Applications from natural persons are not eligible.
- be non-profit entities established in an EU Member State participating in the [AMIF](#) (*including the UK and Ireland*) or International Organisations

This call will fund only transnational projects designed, submitted and implemented by a partnership of at least three eligible distinct organisations established in at least three EU Member States. All members of the partnership shall be actively involved in the implementation of the project.

Activities implemented in non-EU Member States are not eligible under this call and the related costs will not be co-financed.

## Financial allocation

The total budget earmarked for the co-financing of projects is estimated at EUR 3.000.000.

The requested amount of EU grant should not exceed EUR 750,000 and not be less than EUR 300,000.

The EU co-financing rate requested cannot be higher than 90% of the total eligible costs of the action.

## Deadline:

20 May 2015

## Info

[Guidelines](#)

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[ASYL Guide for applicants](#)

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## Call for tenders- EuropeAid/136616/IH/SER/MK: Local integration of refugees, internally displaced persons and minority groups in FYROM

### Overall objective

This call for tenders aims at enhancing the state administration and implementation capacities for further strengthening and supporting the local integration process and inclusion of the residential and/or non-residential displaced persons (refugees and internally displaced) and minority groups (Roma) in FYROM, as well increasing the sustainability of their reliance.

### Specific objectives of this call:

This call will cover two components. The first component will aim to provide support to the implementation of national and local public policies for Roma inclusion, whereas the second component will aim to provide support for institutional capacity building and access to labour market for refugees, internally displaced persons and Roma minority.

### Financed actions

Any action / activity contributing to the objectives of the contract may be eligible for funding under this call for tenders.

## Eligibility

Participation is open to all legal persons participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) of candidates which are established in a Member State of the European Union or in a country or territory of the regions covered and/or authorised by the specific instruments applicable to the programme under which the contract is financed (i.e. Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance).

All goods supplied under this contract must originate in one or more of these countries. Participation is also open to international organisations. The participation of natural persons is governed by the specific instruments applicable to the programme under which the contract is financed.

Candidates, whether individually or as part of a consortium, must prove their economic, financial, professional and technical capacity to be able to run the contract (see specific requirements in the guidelines of the call).

## Financial allocation

EUR 1,000,000 (one lot only).

### Deadline:

30 March 2015

### Info

[Guidelines](#)

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[Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance](#)

[Council Regulation \(EC\) No 1085/2006 of 17 July 2006 establishing an Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance \(IPA\)](#)

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## **Call for proposals- JUST/2014/RDAP/AG/HARM: Transnational projects on violence against women, young people and children linked to harmful practices**

### Overall objective

This call aims to co-fund transnational projects to prevent, inform about and combat violence against women, young people and children linked to harmful practices. Proposals should aim to produce results with EU added value.

### Specific objectives of this call:

The priority of the call will be to combat and prevent violence linked to harmful practices, such as female genital mutilation, forced or early marriage or forced sexual relationships, and so-called "honour crimes" committed against women, young people and children.

### Financed actions

This call will fund activities aiming at:

- promoting an integrated approach, including through the development and rollout of multi-sectorial guides and protocols for child protection system actors and other actors (e.g. health sector, law enforcement, education and childcare, justice, victim support services) in contact with victims or potential victims of harmful practices;
- raising awareness and changing attitudes among relevant communities, including through dialogue,

mutual learning and exchange of good practice.

This call will fund in particular activities on:

- mutual learning, exchange of good practices, cooperation activities;
- awareness-raising, information, dissemination activities

Projects must take a child-centred approach and/or a gender-sensitive approach depending on the end beneficiary target group. The projects should be multi-agency and where service delivery involves government authorities they should include formal government engagement for each participating country. This will be taken into account when evaluating the quality of proposals.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants and partners must comply with the following requirements:

- Applicants and partners must be legally constituted public or private organisations, or international organisations. Only legally constituted organisations can participate. Natural persons (private individuals) are not allowed to submit applications;
- Applicants must be non-profit-oriented
- Be legally established in an eligible country. This is not applicable for International organisations.

Eligibility of the application:

- The project must be transnational and must be submitted by a partnership of eligible organisations (i.e. applicant and partners) from *at least three* different eligible countries
- The EU grant requested cannot be lower than EUR 75.000;
- Projects must not have started prior to the date of submission of the grant application.

### **Financial allocation**

The indicative available budget under this call for proposals is EUR 4,500,000.

The requested EU grant cannot be lower than EUR 75,000.

### **Deadline:**

3 June 2015

### **Info**

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