Funding decentralised cooperation in Europe

EU funds and programmes

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8th March - International Women’s Day

In support of International Women’s Day, EuropeAid presents its results in Ethiopia where women are helping each other to fight female genital mutilation. Read more
European Commission Instruments


- Different instruments to fund development cooperation
  - Development Cooperation Instrument
  - European Neighbourhood Instrument
  - Partnership Instrument
  - European Development Fund

- Instruments defined for 7 years
  - 2007-2013 period ending
  - 2014-2020 period currently being approved

- Each “instrument” has different “programmes”
Development Cooperation Instrument 2014-2020

- Geographical programmes
  - Regional programmes
  - Bilateral programmes

- Thematic programmes
  - “Global Public Goods and Challenges” programme
  - “Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities” programme

- Pan-African programme
Development Cooperation Instrument 2014-2020

• **Total**: 19,662,000,000 Euros (+- 540,000,000,000 CZK)

• **Geographical programmes**: 11,809,000,000 Euros (+- 324,000,000,000 CZK)

• **Thematic programmes**
  • Global Public Goods and Challenges: 5,101,000,000 Euros (+- 140,000,000,000 CZK)
  • Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities: 1,907,000,000 Euros (+- 54,000,000,000,000 CZK) of which 15-20% for local authorities

• **Pan-African programme**: 845,000,000 Euros (+-23,000,000,000 CZK)
Development Cooperation Instrument 2014-2020: Geographical Programmes

• **Priorities include:**
  - Human rights, democracy and good governance (including local authorities)
  - Inclusive and sustainable growth for human development (health, education, agriculture, energy, climate)

• **Targets regions:**
  - Latin America, Asia, Middle East
  - African – Caribbean – Pacific countries (ACP) are funded by the European Development Fund (EDF)
Civil Society Organisations – Local Authorities: 3 objectives

• **Objective 1: In-country actions**
  - 75% of funding
  - Managed by EU delegations in partner countries
  - Call for proposals open to all

• **Objective 2: Strengthening of regional and global networks of local and regional authorities**
  - 10-15% of funding
  - Strategic partnerships with UCLG, CEMR, UCLG Africa, FLACMA, CLGF and AIMF

• **Objective 3: Development Education and Awareness Raising (DEAR)**
  - 10-15% of funding
  - Call for proposals (open only for European actors)
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2. How to apply to an EC call?
Where to find a call for proposals?

http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/work/funding

www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations

www.platforma-dev.eu
Common rules and language

• **Applicants**
  - **Lead applicant**: carries the project; overall responsibility
  - **Co-applicants**: share responsibilities and benefits
  - **Associate partners**: participate on a punctual basis

• **Co-financing by European Commission**
  - General rule for European actors: 75%
  - General rule for partner countries: 90%

• **Lots**: “pots” within a specific call (e.g. Local authorities only; civil society and local authorities of EU15, etc.)

• **PADOR**: online registration service of the EU Commission for organisations working for the development of developing countries
How to apply?

1. Find a call
2. Read the Guidelines of the call
3. Register in PADOR
4. Decide whether you want to be lead applicant or co-applicant
5. Find possible partners and other co-applicants
6. Write a concept note and submit before set deadline
7. If concept note approved (90 days), write a full proposal before set deadline
8. Final decision (90 days)
9. Final negotiations between applicants and EC
10. Start of project
What to include in a concept note?

1. **Maximum 4-5 pages**

2. **Explain relevance of the action** – vis-à-vis particular context of action and priorities of the call

3. **Explain general and specific objectives, expected results and activities to reach objectives** (logical framework)

4. **Explain sustainability and impact of your project**

5. **General budget** – if concept note is accepted, it cannot vary more than 20% up or down!
Towards a strategic partnership between the EC and CEMR-PLATFORMA

**Overall objective:** Support the European network of local and regional governments and associations, so as to increase the contribution of their members to enhanced governance and more effective development outcomes in European Union (EU) partner countries.

**4 specific objectives:**

1. Advocacy and Mobilisation
2. Knowledge and Capacities
3. Partnerships and Dialogue
4. CEMR-PLATFORMA Institutional Capacity and Visibility
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3. Other funds and programmes
Europe for Citizens Programme

1. Two strands
   a) European remembrance
   b) Democratic engagement and civic participation

2. Democratic engagement and civic participation
   a) Town Twinning
      a) At least 2 countries, incl. 1 EU Member State
      b) Maximum 25,000 Euros for 21 days project
   b) Network of towns
      a) At least 4 countries, incl. 1 EU Member State
      b) Maximum 150,000 Euros for 24 months project
   c) Open to EU Member States and accession countries, candidate countries and potential candidates that have Memorandum of Understanding with the European Commission (Albania, FYR Macedonia, Serbia)
   d) Next deadlines: 01/09/2014

Visegrad Fund

1. **Promotes cooperation among municipalities** between V4 countries (Poland, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic) and between municipalities Western Balkans and Eastern Partnership countries.

2. **Supports** common cultural, scientific and educational projects, youth exchanges, cross-border projects and tourism promotion, and through individual mobility programs (scholarships, residencies).

3. **Grants:**
   - **Small grants** – max. 6,000 Euros for 6 months project
   - **Standard grants** – min. 6,000 Euros for 12 months project
   - **Strategic grants** – no budget limit for 36 months project on a) Raising Competitiveness in the Visegrad Region; b) 25th Anniversary of the Democratic Changes in Central Europe or c) North-South Transport Connectivity for Progressive Visegrad Region
   - Funds from 70 to 100% of costs

Useful links

- **EU Neighbourhood Info Centre**: [http://www.enpi-info.eu/](http://www.enpi-info.eu/)


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