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EU AWARDS GRANT CONTRACTS TO 43 CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS WORTH €4 MILLION

Within the Support to Civil Society Project, the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia awarded grants to 43 civil society organisations at the official ceremony which took place on June 28th in Belgrade Dom Omladine. The grants to the civil society have been awarded within the public call for proposals published in December 2010 providing four (4) million EUR in total for the support to selected civil society organisations.

On this occasion Mr. Ferenc Simon, Head of Operations in the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia, Ms. Ivana Ćirković, Director of the Office for Cooperation with Civil Society, Government of the Republic of Serbia and Vladimir Jovanović, Head of Info Unit in the Standing Conference of Towns and Municipalities, addressed the participants at the ceremony.

The ceremony is organised to publicly recognise the winners of call for proposals, in which 284 non-governmental organisations, cultural foundations, associations of consumers, business associations and trade unions participated. The European Union allocated the overall amount of EUR 4 million, from IPA 2009 and IPA 2010, for grants to civil society organisations. For achieving the project goals the winners will work in partnership with other civil society organisations, cultural and educational institutions and local authorities from Serbia, the EU member states or other neighbouring countries. The grants awarded selected projects are between EUR 50,000 and EUR 150,000 while the duration of supported projects is up to 12 months.

Mr Ferenc Simon, Head of Operations in the Delegation of the EU said at the grants award ceremony that civil society organisations, together with independent media, were important as they spread the European spirit in Serbia and remarked that the support will additionally strengthen their activities. The EU accession process is not and indeed must not be limited to the state officials, Simon said.

The Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia launched the Support to Civil Society Project in October 2010 with the **overall goal to support active civil society participation in Serbia's EU-integration**. The specific objectives of the project are defined as:

- **building social cohesion and overcoming discrimination in Serbian society by promoting tolerance and cultural diversity, and**
- **active civil society participation in the socio-economic development.**



Award Ceremony, Belgrade, June 28th

For example, pursuing the combat against discrimination, cultural and educational institutions together with civil society actors will work on promotion of intercultural dialogue and cultural diversity. Music concerts, theatre plays, festivals of young contemporary writers and other specific events will be organised to explore issues of concern in the region and make specifics of diverse communities known to the general public. Age discrimination, quality standards in education and services sectors, mediation are also in the focus of the supported actions. Through the implementation of the awarded actions, civil society organisations will contribute to raise social inclusion in Serbia by establishing and improving community based services for people with disabilities and applying public policies addressing homeless people and street children.

Together with local authorities, some of awarded civil society actors will strengthen the human resource capacities in rural tourism and stimulate women entrepreneurship. Several actions will ensure effective implementation of a number of well-planned local strategies, while others will contribute to the protection of Serbian environment. Consumer protection, prevention of harassment at workplace and enhancement of social dialogue are also within the objectives of certain awarded projects.



LIST OF AWARDED PROJECTS UNDER THE SUPPORT TO CIVIL SOCIETY PROJECT CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Name of the grant beneficiary	Name of the awarded project	Contact and additional information available at:
ANTIDISCRIMINATION AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY AREAS OF ACTIVITIES		
1.	Centre for Democracy Foundation, Serbia	Let's Stop Age Discrimination and Endorse Active Ageing www.centaronline.org
2.	Integration Workshop, Serbia	The Well e-mail: radionicaintegracije@gmail.com
3.	Ecumenical Humanitarian Organisation, Serbia	Enhancing Social Cohesion by Developing Non-Discriminative Policy for Street Children www.ehons.org
4.	Belgrade Philharmonic Foundation, Serbia	We Understand Each Other www.bgf.rs
5.	Centre for Cultural Decontamination, Serbia	New Politics of Solidarity through Cultural and Knowledge Production www.czkd.org
6.	Housing Centre, Serbia	Support to Civil Society www.housingcenter.org.rs
7.	Praxis, Serbia	European Good Practices - Advocacy Tool in Serbia www.praxis.org.rs
8.	Adult Education Society, Serbia	Elderly in Serbia (ELiS) e-mail: aes@sbb.rs
9.	Fund B92, Serbia	Free Zone Jr. in Primary Schools and in the Region www.fond.b92.net
10.	Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights, Serbia	Combating Discrimination on All Grounds in Serbian Education System www.yucom.org.rs
11.	Educational Centre Leskovac, Serbia	Equal Opportunity www.nvo.org.rs
12.	Centre for Regionalism, Serbia	Free Movement of People and Goods between Kosovo and Serbia in the Context of Regional Cooperation www.centarzaregionalizam.org.rs
13.	Resource Centre Majdanpek, Serbia	Theatre against Prejudice www.resurscentar.rs
14.	Association of Independent Electronic Media (ANEM), Serbia	Crossing the Bridge of Diversity www.anem.org.rs
15.	Committee for Human Rights Niš, Serbia	People Crossroads www.chrin.org.rs



16.	Group 484, Serbia	INCLUDE- InterCulturalism through LiteratUre and DialoguE	www.grupa484.org.rs
17.	Partners for Democratic Change, Serbia	Partnership for Tolerance and Anti-Discrimination Protection in Serbia (PTAPS)	www.partners-serbia.org
18.	Centre for Advanced Legal Studies, Serbia	Fighting Discrimination and Building a Culture of Tolerance through Dialogue, Legal Reform and Active Monitoring of Discriminatory Practice	www.cups.rs
19.	Association for Development of Children and Youth - OPEN CLUB, Serbia	Balkan Youth Forum for Tolerance	www.oknis.org.rs
20.	Novi Sad Humanitarian Centre, Serbia	All Different, All Equal	www.nshc.org.rs
21.	BAZAART, Serbia	Intercultural Drama Education and Learning	www.bazaart.org.rs
22.	Centre for Quality Education, Serbia	Clubs for Children and Youth	www.cko.org.rs

LOCAL SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA OF ACTIVITIES

23.	Treehouse, Serbia	Work, Order & Recycling	www.treehouse-serbia.org
24.	SPARK Business Start-Up Center, Serbia	Youth Entrepreneurship Civil-Public Partnership	www.bsckragujevac.rs
25.	ASTRA Anti Trafficking Action, Serbia	Make it Work! - Fighting Trafficking and Exploitation of Workers	www.astra.org.rs
26.	Organisation for Respect and Care of Animals - ORCA, Serbia	Farm Animal Welfare Standards in Serbia- FAWSS	www.orca.rs
27.	European Movement in Serbia, Serbia	Development of Social Entrepreneurship in Serbia	www.emins.org
28.	Centre for Society Orientation, Serbia	Social Services for Persons With Disabilities as Support for Equal Socio-Economic Development	www.cod.rs www.disabilitymonitor-see.org www.invalidnost.info
29.	Leader+, Serbia	Banat Educational Households	www.leader.org.rs
30.	IKV Pax Christi, Netherlands	Novi Pazar: A Place to Meet	www.ikvpaxchristi.nl
31.	Centre for Free Election and Democracy (CeSID), Serbia	Inclusion of Civil Society Organisations in Energy and Climate Policy Making at Local Level	www.cesid.org
32.	Micro Development Fund, Serbia	Support to Civil Society for Local Socioeconomic Development and Social Inclusion	www.mdf.org.rs



33.	Independent Journalists' Association of Serbia (NUNS), Serbia	Greater Transparency of Local Governments - Citizens' Right, State's Obligation	www.nuns.rs
34.	Youth with Disabilities Forum, Serbia	Career Guidance Local Platform	www.fmi.rs
35.	Civic Initiatives - Citizens' Association for Democracy and Civic Education, Serbia	Public Participation through Local Partnerships	www.gradjanske.org
36.	Mental Disability Rights Initiative of Serbia - MDRI, Serbia	United in Action: Employment of Persons with Disabilities through Public/Private Partnership	www.disabilityrightsintl.org/mdri-serbia
37.	Centre for Consumers' Protection FORUM (CCPF), Serbia	Active Consumers	www.forum-nis.org.rs
38.	Nature Conservation Movement of Sremska Mitrovica, Serbia	Supporting the Local Socio-Economic Development through Eco-Tourism in Protected Areas	www.zasavica.org.rs
39.	SeConS-Development Initiative Group, Serbia	Localization of EU Social Inclusion Policy in Serbia	www.secons.net
40.	Association of Business Women in Serbia, Serbia	Reducing Young Women Unemployment in Serbian Underdeveloped Municipalities by Supporting Self-Employment in Service and Tourist Sectors	www.poslovnezene.org.rs
41.	Confederation of Autonomous Trade Unions of Vojvodina, Serbia	Prevention of Harassment at Workplace through Social Dialogue	www.sssv.rs
42.	Balkan Community Initiatives Fund (BCIF), Serbia	Through Employment towards Inclusion of Persons with Disability in Serbia	www.bcif.org
43.	Toplica Center for Democracy and Human Rights, Serbia	For Sustainable Anti-Corruption Policy	www.topcentar.org.rs

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