



Project bulletin SUPPORT TO CIVIL SOCIETY

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NEW EU CALL FOR PROPOSALS SUPPORTS THE CIVIL SOCIETY

In October 2010, implementing the policy of the European Commission to further strengthen the civil society role on the Balkans, the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia launched the Support to Civil Society project. It is part of the Civil Society Facility established in 2008 by the European Commission under the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA).

The overall goal of the Project is to support active civil society participation in Serbia's EU-integration and its specific objectives are defined as:

Specific objective 1: Building social cohesion and overcoming discrimination in Serbian society by promoting tolerance and cultural diversity;

Specific objective 2: Active civil society participation in the socioeconomic development.

The Project is managed by the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia and its implementation is awarded to GOPA Consultants, a leading German development company. It started to be implemented in October 2010 and will finish in September 2012.

From IPA 2009 and IPA 2010, the European Union allocated the overall amount of EUR 4 million for grants to civil society organisations. The actions of civil society organisations supported by the Project are selected under an open **call for proposals** which is announced on December 9th 2010 and the deadline for submitting applications expires on March 10th 2011. The grants awarded selected projects will be between EUR 50,000 and EUR 150,000 while the maximum duration of supported actions is 12 months. The deadline for submitting applications expires on March 10th 2011. All supported projects will be implemented by eligible civil society organisations in partnerships with:

- other civil society organisations from Serbia, EU-member states and other countries of the region,
- cultural and/or educational institutions, and
- local self-governments.

The tender documentation is available on the web site of the **Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia** and web presentation of the **Project**.

The call for proposals invites the organisations that belong to the wide spectrum of civil society, including non-governmental organisations or organisations at grassroots level, professional organisations, cultural, artistic clubs or associations, media associations, organisations representing social and economic players at large (e.g. associations of consumers, patients, students, business associations, etc.), labour-market actors (trade-unions and associations of employers), to propose projects in partnership with other civil society organisations from the Republic of Serbia, EU member states or countries of region, cultural and educational institutions or local self-governments.



Application documents

The deadline for submitting applications of civil society organisations expires on March 10th 2011 at 15.00 CET.

Application documents

Frequently asked questions

The review of most frequent questions submitted by civil society organisations, as well as the answers to these questions, are available on

EuropeAid web-site

web presentation of the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia

web-site of the Project

Informative seminars for the representatives from civil society organisations

In order to promote the current call for proposals, the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia and the Project „Support to Civil Society“ held informative seminars in five cities in Serbia in the period from January 21st to February 7th 2011. Informative workshops, held in Belgrade, Krusevac, Vranje, Novi Sad and Uzice, were attended by representatives from more than 750 civil sector organisations, as well as 56 media companies.

Info sessions



Belgrade, 21/1/2011



Krusevac, 24/1/2011



Vranje, 25/1/2011

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