



Call for proposals to promote civil society organisations' awareness of, capacity building and implementation of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights

CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI

Information Session

We will be starting at 10:00

*European Education and Culture
Executive Agency*

16 February 2023

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Welcome and Opening remarks

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Agenda

- 10:00 – 10:15** **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- 10:15 – 10:45** **Presenting the CHAR-LITI Call for proposals**
- **Q & A session**
- 11:05 – 11:15** **National Contact Points and their role**
- 11:15 – 11:25** ***Coffee BREAK***
- 11:25 – 11:55** **Evaluation process; financial aspects; submission**
- **Q & A session**
- 12:25 – 12:30** **Closing Remarks**



Presenting the CHAR-LITI Call for Proposals

Main features and eligibility conditions

Main features

- **Available budget for CHAR-LITI Call: EUR 16 million** (vs. last year 2 million with average budget EUR 200-300 000)
- **Project budget: min: EUR 75 000 – max: no limit**
 - **Co-financing:** the maximum funding rate is **90%**
 - **Budget-based mixed actual cost grant** (actual costs, with unit cost and flat-rate elements)
 - **Budget categories and cost eligibility rules** - see [Call document](#) p.24-25
- **Project duration:** between 12 and 24 months
- Single applicant or consortium
- Applicants & activities are eligible **only in EU countries**

Eligibility criteria - Who can apply?

- ✓ Lead applicants (i.e. the “Coordinator”): non-profit legal entities (private bodies) > different from last Call!
- ✓ Co-applicants: non-profit or profit legal entities (public or private bodies)
- ! Profit-oriented > ONLY in partnership with private non-profit organisations
- ✓ Single applicant or consortium
- ✓ National or transnational
- ✓ Eligible countries: EU Member States (including overseas countries and territories (OCTs))
- ✓ Min requested amount > EUR 75.000

Main features

Proposals must be submitted to only 1 of the 5 following priorities
(1 priority/topic per proposal)

1. Capacity building and awareness raising on the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights (CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-CHARTER)
2. Promoting rights and values by empowering the civic space (CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-CIVIC)
3. Strategic litigation (CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-LITIGATION)
4. Protecting EU values and rights by combating hate crime and hate speech
(CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-SPEECH)
5. Supporting an enabling environment for the protection of whistleblowers
(CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-WHISTLE)

Timetable and deadlines

Call opening	24 January 2022
Deadline for submission	25 May 2023 – 17:00:00 CET (Brussels)
Evaluation (by external experts)	June - September 2023
Information on evaluation results	October - November 2023
Grant Agreement signature	January – February 2024

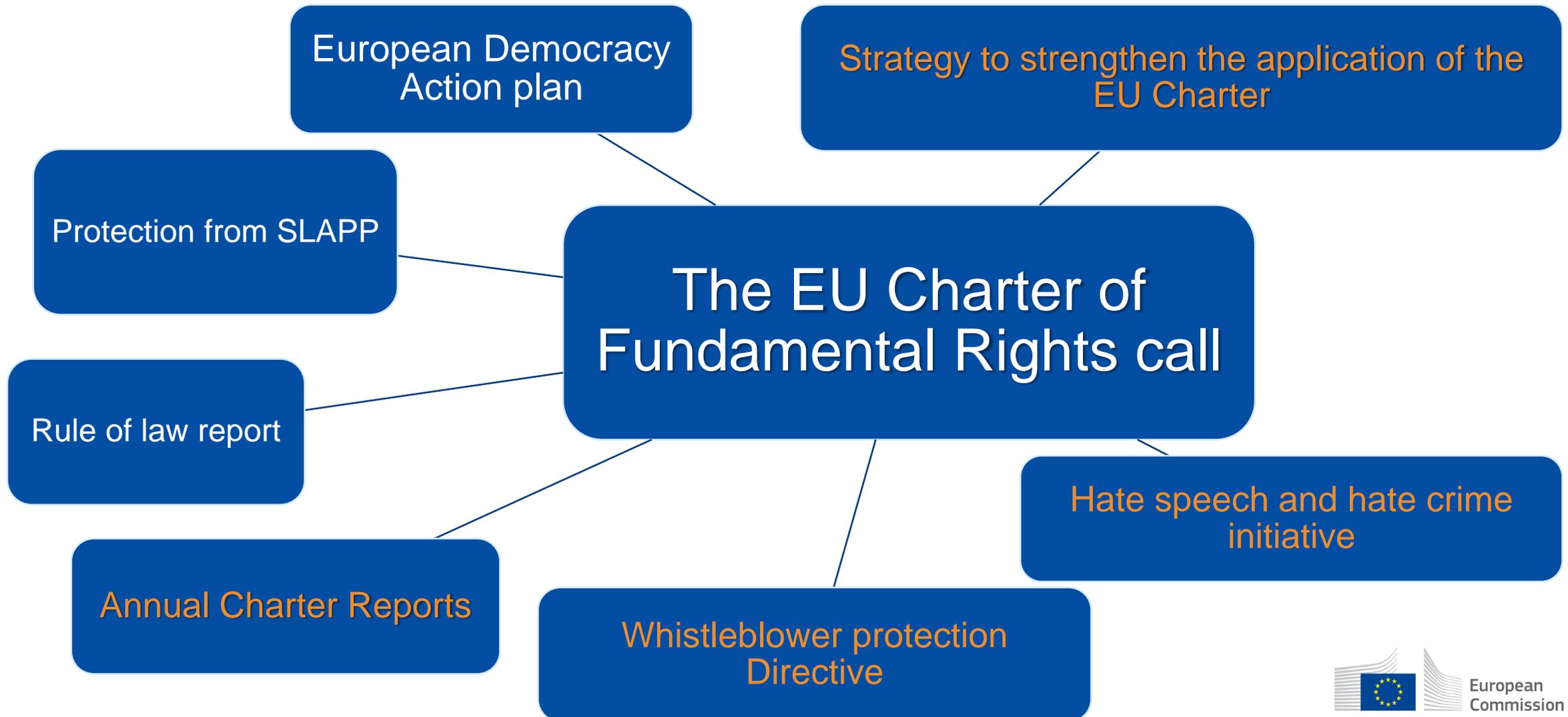
Objectives, Political Priorities, Expected activities and Outcome

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Directorate-General for Justice
and Consumers



The EU Charter call in DG Justice policies



Policy Priorities for the 2023 Charter call



**Capacity building
and awareness on
the EU Charter of
Fundamental
Rights**



**Promoting rights
and values by
empowering the
civic space**



Strategic litigation



**Combating hate
speech and hate
crime**



**Supporting an
enabling
environment for
the protection of
whistleblowers**



Capacity building and awareness raising on the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights

Topic ID: CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-CHARTER

How would the projects support the Commission work towards the Charter in general?

Rights enshrined in the Charter and awareness of the Charter's scope of application

- * Cf [Article 51](#), the Charter is applicable to Member States only when they are implementing EU law. Given the specific nature of this instrument, in comparison with other international Treaties protecting fundamental rights, and considering the increasing number of **references to the Charter in the case law** of the Court of Justice of the EU
- * there is a specific need to **promote a good understanding of the rights enshrined in the Charter** and of **the situations in which the Charter applies**, i.e. when EU law is being implemented.

How would the projects support the Commission work towards the Charter's themes?

Aims to **protect fundamental rights** by **strengthening accountability for the use of automation** where **rights are at stake.**

Protecting fundamental rights in the digital age

This includes approaches for addressing and combatting bias and multiple/**intersectional discrimination**

- based on **gender** and on other grounds including **ethnic and racial origin**, caused or intensified using artificial intelligence systems.

In practice, the projects will develop

- guidelines (measures that ensure gendersensitive implementation), technical benchmarks and tools, including for algorithm-audits
- **a concrete tool or a benchmark process** in an area of the applicant's choice **with demonstrated relevance for fundamental rights**, without prescribing the area or the type of the tool (e.g. it could be **software, a benchmark data set, a simulation environment, a procedure**).

Expected results

- Capacity building of civil society organisations and **awareness raising activities** aiming to increase the knowledge and the use of the EU Charter, including its gender dimension, especially on its scope of application;
- **Facilitating cooperation between civil society organisations and other key partners** in enforcing the Charter, such as NHRIs, Equality bodies, Ombuds Institutions and Member State authorities (at national, regional and local level);
- **Training and train-the-trainer activities for professionals** (such as experts, lawyers and legal advisers, communicators, policy and advocacy advisers), including through operational guidance and learning tools;
- **Mutual learning, exchange of good practices, development of working and learning methods**, including mentoring programmes that may be transferable to other countries;
- **Analytical activities**, such as sex-disaggregated data collection and research, and the creation of tools or data bases (e.g. thematic databases of jurisprudence);
- Communication activities, including **dissemination of information and awareness raising about rights and redress mechanisms**, relevant to the priorities of the call;
- Development of procedures, guidelines, technical benchmarks, and tools, including for **algorithm-audits**, to help to protect fundamental rights, including gender equality and non-discrimination, where automation is used.

Promoting rights and values by empowering the civic space

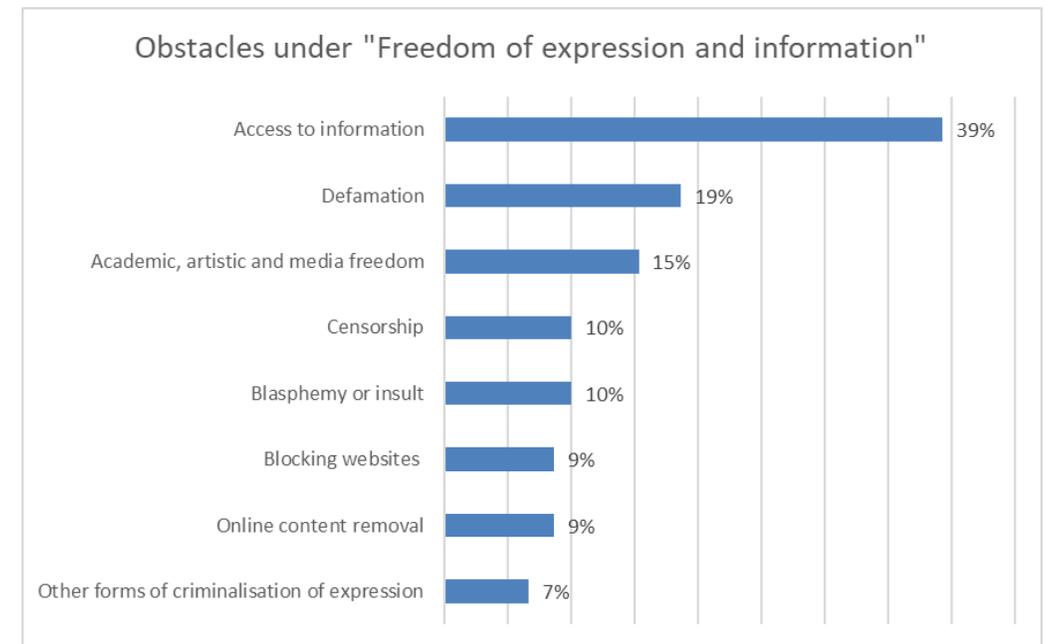
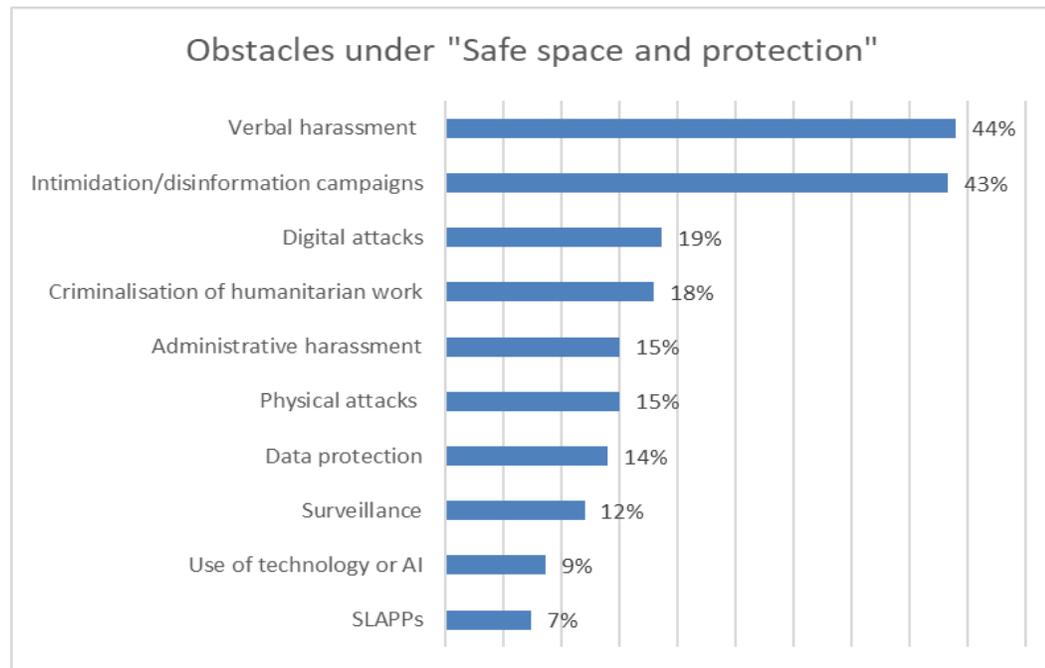
Topic ID: CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-CIVIC

Commission policy: enabling civic space

- 2022 Annual Charter report, [A thriving civic space for upholding fundamental rights in the EU](#), 2020 [Strategy to strengthen the application of the Charter of Fundamental Rights in the EU](#), Annual [Rule of law reports](#), Pillar IV: check and balances – the framework for civil society, Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA) [work on civic space](#)
- [C-78/18](#): the **European Court of Justice** made clear that:
 - civil society organisations “must be able to pursue [their] activities and operate without unjustified interference by the State”.
 - the right to freedom of association constitutes one of the essential foundations of a democratic and pluralist society, as it enables citizens to act collectively in areas of common interest and, in so doing, contribute to the proper functioning of public life.

Commission policy: enabling civic space

- CSOs and rights defenders still report a **range of challenges, obstacles and restrictions** in certain Member States that have limited their ability to carry out their activities



How would the projects support the Commission work towards an enabling civic space?

- 1. MONITORING:** creation of a systematic and comprehensive monitoring system to regularly and consistently monitor the environment in which civil society organisations work in the national contexts,
 - building on the Fundamental Rights Agency indicators about the shrinking civic space and of internal organisations' data ,
 - and in particular of breaches of CSOs and rights defenders' fundamental rights.
- 2. PROVIDING SUPPORT SERVICES:** to CSOs and their members under attacks: legal, practical (medical, psychological, family, etc.)

Strategic litigation

Topic ID: CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-LITIGATION

Commission policy: advancing the judicial protection of fundamental rights

- What is needed for an effective litigation strategy?
 - In depth knowledge of the legal instruments + ability of develop creative legal argument;
 - communication skills;
 - advocacy;
 - and community engagement.
- Why is strategic litigation key to advance the protection of fundamental rights?
 - Legally binding decisions;
 - Cross borders impact;
 - Community impact.

How would the projects support the Commission work towards an enabling civic space?

- There could be a focus on specific Charter rights? YES.
- Which type of activities are covered?
 - Training, knowledge sharing, and exchange of good practices;
 - data collection and research, and the creation of tools or data bases (e.g. thematic databases of jurisprudence);
 - Communication activities, including dissemination of information and awareness raising about rights, redress mechanisms, and strategic cases;
 - Capacity building and awareness raising activities to counter manifestly unfounded or abusive court proceedings against journalists and human rights defenders who engage in public participation (Strategic lawsuits against public participation).

Which are the expected results?

- **Increased awareness and knowledge** about EU law, the Charter, the existing remedies and redress mechanisms to enforce them at national and European level, including the preliminary ruling mechanism;
- Strengthened abilities of legal professionals and practitioners **to cooperate** and engage in litigation practices;
- **Increased awareness** on the use and of the safeguards and strategic protection against SLAPP. (new this year!)

SLAPPs are manifestly unfounded or abusive court proceedings. They are a particular form of harassment increasingly used against journalists, human rights defenders and others engaged in public participation in a matter of public interest and upholding democratic values and fundamental rights.

Combating hate speech and hate crime

Topic ID: CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-HATE

The legal basis for action

- The **2008 Framework Decision** on combating certain forms of expressions of racism and xenophobia requires the criminalisation of public incitement to violence or hatred based on race, colour, religion, descent or national or ethnic origin.
- Possible new legal basis:
 - On 9 December 2021 **European Commission Communication on a Council decision to extend the current list of ‘EU crimes’** in Article 83(1) TFEU
 - In Council for adoption, unanimity needed.

Policy work in support of legislation

The High Level Group on combating hate speech and hate crime:

- Guidance, good practices, standards to support the enforcement of the Framework Decision
- MS authorities (MoJ, Mol, Social Affairs, police departments), international organisations, EU agencies, civil society organisations (CSOs)
- **Work structured along 4 working groups:** Hate crime reporting and data collection, Hate crime training for law enforcement, Hate crime victims support and Countering illegal hate speech online
- **Code of conduct** on countering illegal hate speech online (2016)
- Digital Service Act (in force since 11/2022) → limit the spread of illegal content and illegal products online including notice and action systems, increased transparency and accountability for users rights + empowering trusted flagger

The 2023-2024 priority on combating hate speech and hate crime (1)

- **Rationale for a stand-alone priority:**

- Combating hate speech and hate crime is a key part of the Commission's action to promote EU values and to ensure that the Charter is upheld.
- CSOs play a crucial role in combating hate speech and hate crime, thereby safeguarding and promoting fundamental rights. There is a need to enhance cooperation between CSOs and national authorities, as well as between CSOs and other players e.g. in the private sector (IT companies; think tanks) in the response to hate speech online.

Projects should be:

- **Impactful** → good projects deliver sustainable concrete results, which can or will continue to be implemented even after the funding. Wealth of research and mapping on legal frameworks on hate crime are already available, research activities in this field would not add particular value.
- **Pragmatic** → Extensive guidance available, so less toolkits, mapping and guidance, more action on the ground (action plans, training, campaigns)
- **Of the right size** → bigger projects and numerous countries involved do not necessarily mean impact, often the effect is the opposite as bigger projects fail to address national specificities
- **Replicable** → Think of activities that can, if shared with other practitioners, easily be replicated in other contexts.
- **Built on existing good practice** → Think of past successful activities which can be promoted in other countries to continue previously successful projects

Supporting and enabling environment for the protection of whistleblowers

Topic ID: CERV-2023-CHAR-LITI-WHISTLE

How would the projects support the correct implementation of Whistleblowing Directive?

SUPPORTING Civil society organisations in their key function implementing the Directive by contributing to:

- ✓ ensuring that potential whistleblowers can report without fear of retaliation,
- ✓ ensuring that persons in charge of handling whistleblowers' reports are trained adequately,
- ✓ raising awareness amongst the general public,
- ✓ providing advice and support to whistleblowers.

Which are the type of activities and tools?

- ❖ activities to **build the capacity**, including by developing targeted guidance or training materials or train-the-trainer programs;
- ❖ activities and tools to **promote awareness** raising and communication activities
- ❖ **analytical activities**, such as sex-disaggregated data collection on whistleblower reports and cases of retaliation, development of indicators to effectively record cases, research and creation of tools and databases (on case-law, statistics etc)
- ❖ **mutual learning** activities and activities aimed at exchange of **good practices** on the effective implementation of the Directive,
- ❖ activities **enhancing and facilitating cooperation** between national authorities and civil society organisations, including by elaborating national, regional or local protocols on whistleblower protection.

Which are the expected results?

- Increased **awareness** by the general public and potential whistleblowers, of existing reporting channels and procedures, as well as of the rights provided under the Directive;
- Increased **capacity and knowledge** of civil society, relevant national authorities or practitioners, to correctly apply the Directive's rules
- Improved **effectiveness and coherence** of the Directive's application, including through improved cooperation between national, regional or local authorities and civil society.
- Enhanced **data collection** on reports and cases of retaliation and enhanced capacity of the national systems to record whistleblower reports and cases and to assess the effectiveness of the national laws transposing the Directive.



Questions?

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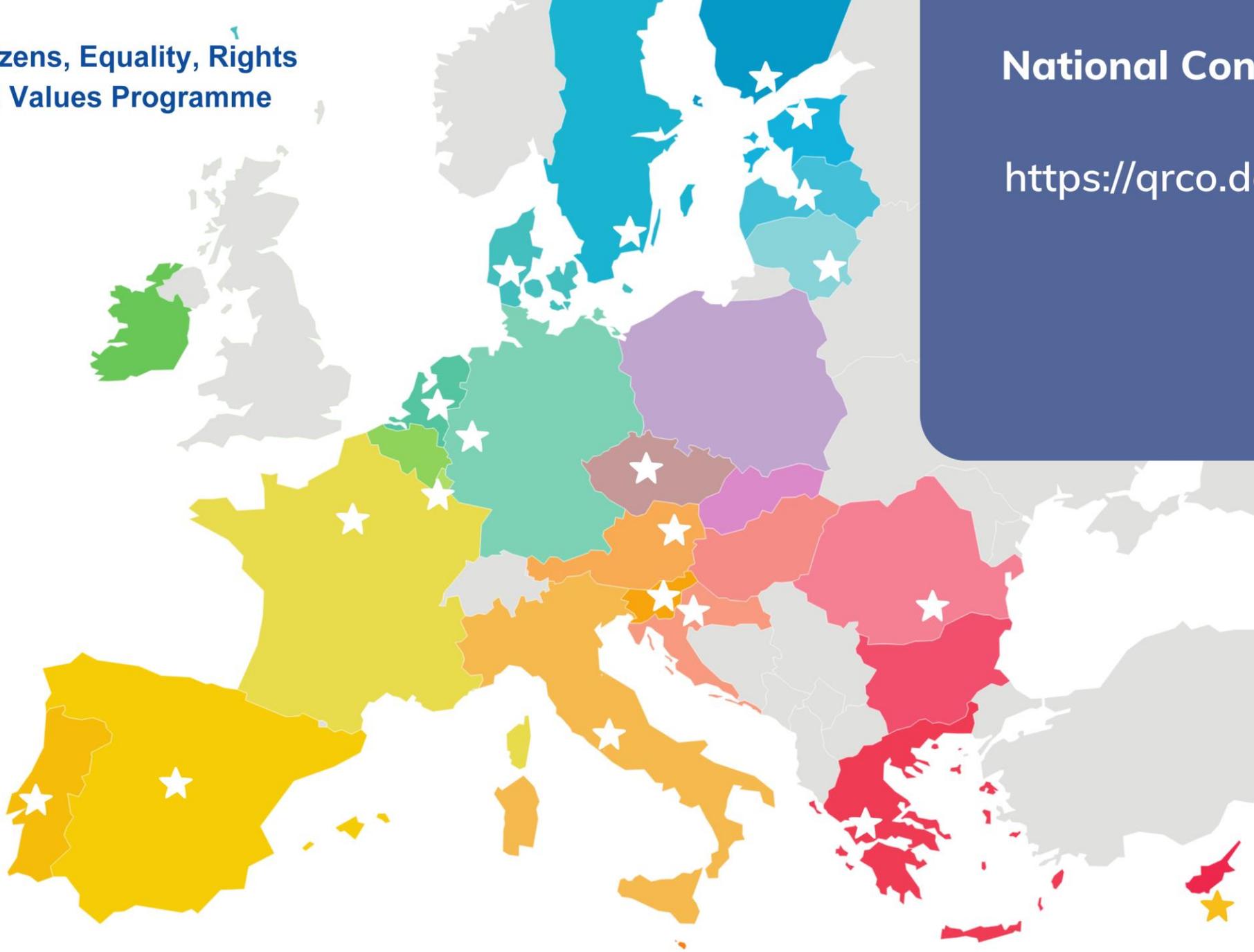
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INFORMATION

- providing information about the Programme & its **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES** and about the policy initiatives in the areas covered by the Programme.

ADVICE

- facilitating the participation of stakeholders and giving advice to applicants;
- increasing the **CAPACITY** of stakeholders to take part in the Programme.

SUPPORT

- facilitating the **MATCH-MAKING** between potential partner entities on a transnational level;
- supporting applicants during the **APPLICATION PROCESS**.

DISSEMINATION

- dissemination of **BEST PRACTICE** projects;
- increasing knowledge and awareness of Programme results.



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JOINT EVENTS

WED 08/03 **CERV CITIZENS' FORUM**
10 am-12 PM **Call: CITIZENS-TOWN-NT & TT**

THU 16/03 **CERV CITIZENS' FORUM**
10 am-12 PM **Calls: CITIZENS-TOWN-NT & TT**

COMING UP: **CERV CITIZENS' FORUM**
(dates to be **Calls: CHAR-LITI & EQUAL**
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PROGRAMME
CITIZENS, EQUALITY, RIGHTS, VALUES
2021-2027

THEMATIC AREAS OF THE PROGRAMME

- EQUALITY
- CITIZENS ENGAGEMENT
- PREVENTION AND ADMINISTRATION

The programme aims to protect and promote Union values enshrined in the EU Treaties and the Charter of Fundamental Rights

SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

- Seminars, exhibitions, documentaries, etc.
- Other activities of non-investment nature

ELIGIBLE APPLICANT / PARTNER

- Public or private organization established in the EU
- Non-profit organizations, civil society organizations, citizens and social and regional authorities (e.g. survey institutes, museums, research institutions, associations, etc.)

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Evaluation process; financial aspects; submission

Evaluation process

- Award criteria
- Tips in brief

Award criteria – Scoring (100 points)

Award criteria	Minimum pass score	Maximum score
Relevance	25	40
Quality – Project design and implementation	n/a	40
Impact	n/a	20
Overall (pass) scores	70	100

Award criteria – Relevance (40 points)

- **Relevance** to the priorities and objectives of the call
- Clearly defined **needs** assessment
- Clearly defined **target group** (gender perspective)
- Contribution to the **EU strategic and legislative context**
- **European/transnational dimension**
- Transfer of **good practices**
- Potential to develop mutual **cross-border** cooperation (impact)

Award criteria – Quality (40 points)

- **Clarity and consistency** of the project
- **Logical links** between identified problems-needs-solutions
- **Methodology** for implementation (**gender perspective**)
« timetable; allocation of resources; distribution of tasks between partners; risks & risk management; monitoring and evaluation »
- **Feasibility** of the project within the proposed time frame
- **Financial feasibility** and **cost-effectiveness**

Award Criteria – Impact (20 points)

- Ambition and expected **long-term impact** of results **on target groups/public**
- **Dissemination** strategy
- Positive **multiplier effect**
- Long-term impact and **sustainability**

How to make sure you integrate a gender perspective?

When you draft your proposal, please consider the questions below

Basic

- Did I conduct a **gender equality analysis** to assess my project's design, implementation and impact?

Basic

- Did I take into account **gender aspects in my needs assessment**?

Basic

- Will the data and indicators I collect and create be **disaggregated by sex**?

Basic

- Did I include in my proposal **a commitment to advance gender equality**?

Basic

- Did I include in my proposal a **commitment to monitor and report on the gender equality results achieved** by the project in the evaluation phase?

Advanced

- Do I plan to create **gender-specific indicators** to measure the project's gender equality objectives?

Tips in brief

- ✓ In line with policy priorities with a clear focus
- ✓ Realistic objectives and relevance to participating organisations & target groups
- ✓ Concrete targets and expected results
- ✓ Well established methodology
- ✓ Consistent with realistic project objectives, methodology, activity and budget
- ✓ Strong partnership (if in consortium)
- ✓ Realistic and sustainable results – visibility and media coverage
- ✓ Transnational welcome BUT only with added value

Tips in brief

- Have the **project idea** firmly in mind before starting to complete the application
- **Take time** to understand how the application is structured
- Be sure your **project fits** into the CHAR-LITI objectives and priorities
- Ensure that **partner involvement** (work packages and budget) has been fully discussed and agreed
- Allow time for **drafting** and **reviewing** and **redrafting**
- Avoid editing the proposal with more than one user from your organisation at the same time

Suggestions to prepare with your partners (if consortium)

- ✓ Be familiar with partners' profile for a proper project implementation
- ✓ Partners who provide low quality input to the drafting of application might not provide high quality input into the project
- ✓ Make sure that your partners are ready to implement the project if selected
- ✓ Clarify the number & dates & venues of meetings in advance
- ✓ Make sure you have an adequate project team for implementation
- ✓ Consortium agreement

Budget Categories and Cost Eligibility Conditions

A. Personnel Costs

- A.1 Employees
- A.2 Natural persons under direct contract
- A.3 Seconded persons
- A.4 SME Owners and natural person beneficiaries
- A.5 Volunteers





A.2 and A.3 Costs for natural persons working under a direct contract other than an employment contract and, costs for seconded persons by a third party against payment are eligible as personnel costs if:

(a) they work under conditions similar to those of an employee

and

(b) the result of the work belongs to the beneficiary (unless agreed otherwise).



A.4 The work of SME owners and natural person beneficiaries may be declared as personnel costs

This budget category covers the costs of two types of persons:

- Persons who are directly owners or co-owners (regardless of their percentage of ownership) of the beneficiary, if the beneficiary is an SME and the person is not an employee of the beneficiary.
- Beneficiaries who are natural persons; i.e. who signed the Grant Agreement on her/his own name as individuals, not on behalf of another legal person (e.g. a company).



A.5 The work of volunteers for the action (i.e. persons who freely work for an organisation, on a non-compulsory basis and without being paid)

The total costs declared under this category:

- may not exceed the maximum amount for volunteers for the action (which corresponds to 50% of the total (ineligible and eligible) project costs and contributions estimated in the proposal)
- may not exceed the maximum amount for volunteers for each beneficiary set out in Annex 2
- may not make the maximum EU contribution to costs higher than the total eligible costs without volunteers.

B. Subcontracting Costs

- Subcontracting concerns the implementation of ‘action tasks’, i.e. parts of the project tasks that have been outsourced
- Coordination tasks **cannot be subcontracted**
- Rules to apply for the award of contracts:
 - best value for money (or if appropriate the lowest price)
 - and ensure they are no conflict of interests between your organisation and the company providing you the service



Subcontracting (Article 6.2.B) ≠ Implementation contracts (Article 6.2.C)



Can we hire contractors from outside of the EU?

Article 6 - Eligible and ineligible costs

To be eligible all costs must meet the eligibility conditions set out in Article 6, and in particular they must comply with the applicable national law on taxes, labour and social security (..).

Article 11 — Proper implementation of the action

The beneficiaries must implement the action (...) in compliance with the provisions of **the Agreement**, the **call conditions** and all legal obligations under applicable EU, international and national law.

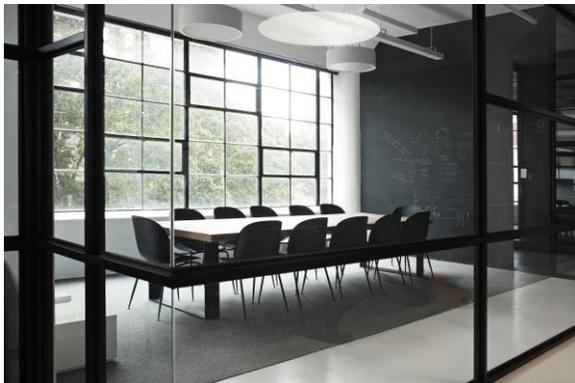


C. Purchase costs

C.1 Travel & subsistances

C.2 Equipment

C.3 Other goods, works and services

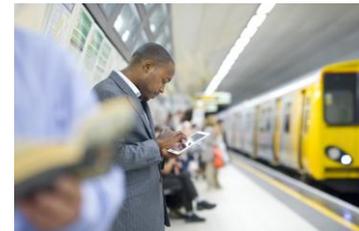




C.1 Travel and subsistence costs:

This budget category covers travels needed for the action, broken down in the following subcategories:

- Travel
- Accommodation
- Subsistence





C.2 Equipment:

Purchases of **equipment, infrastructure or other assets** used for the action must be **declared as depreciation costs.**

Only the portion of the costs that corresponds to the rate of actual use for the action during the action duration can be taken into account.

Costs for renting or leasing equipment, infrastructure or other assets are also eligible, if they do not exceed the depreciation costs of similar equipment, infrastructure or assets and do not include any financing fees.



C.3 Other goods, works and services:

This budget category covers the costs for goods and services that were purchased for the action, such as:

- costs for consumables and supplies
- communication and dissemination costs
- costs related to intellectual property rights (IPR)
- costs for certificates on financial statements (CFS) and certificates on methodology (CoMUC; where necessary)
- costs for financial guarantees (only if required by the granting authority)

E. Indirect Costs

This budget category covers all costs for the action that are not directly linked to it (i.e. overheads)

Indirect costs are declared as a fixed flat-rate



General Costs Eligibility Conditions

Actually incurred

Incurred during the
project lifetime

Incurred in **connection**
with the action

Identifiable and
verifiable

Comply with **national**
law

Reasonable, justified
and compliant with
sound financial
management (economy
and efficiency)

Specific Cost Eligibility Conditions for this Call

- personnel costs:
 - SME owner/natural person unit cost: Yes
 - volunteers unit cost: Yes (without indirect costs)
- travel and subsistence unit cost: Yes
- equipment costs: depreciation
- other cost categories:
 - costs for financial support to third parties: Not Allowed;
- indirect cost flat-rate: 7% of the eligible direct costs
- VAT: non-deductible VAT is eligible
- in-kind contributions for free are allowed, but cost-neutral, i.e. they cannot be declared as cost
- kick-off meeting
- project websites
- other ineligible costs: No

Submission process

Where to find the Call

How to create your application

Proposal structure

Where to find the Call

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Customs Programme (CUST)	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Erasmus+ Programme (ERASMUS)	EU Anti-fraud Programme (EUAF)	EU External Action (RELEX)	EU4Health Programme (EU4H)

Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values programme consists of four strands:

(1) Union Values

To protect and promote **Union values**. In accordance with Article 2 of the Treaty on the European Union, 'the Union is founded on the values of respect for human dignity, freedom democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights, including the rights of persons belonging to minorities. Those values are common to the Member States in a society in which pluralism, non-discrimination, tolerance, justice, solidarity and equality between women and men prevail'.

Projects in this area will:

- focus on protecting, promoting and raising awareness on rights by providing financial support to civil society organisations active at local, regional and transnational level in promoting and cultivating these rights, thereby also strengthening the protection and promotion of Union values and the respect for the rule of law and contributing to the construction of a more democratic Union, democratic dialogue, transparency and good governance.

[Search Union values calls for proposals](#)

(3) Citizens' engagement and participation

To promote citizens engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union and exchanges between citizens of different Member States and to raise awareness of the common European history. Projects in this area will:

- remember, research and educate about defining events in recent **European history**, including the causes and consequences of authoritarian and totalitarian regimes, and at raising awareness among European citizens, of their common history, culture, cultural heritage and values, thereby enhancing their understanding of the Union, its origins, purpose and diversity;
- promote **citizens** and representative associations' **participation** in and contribution to the democratic and civic life of the Union by making known and publicly exchanging their views in all areas on Union action;
- promote exchanges between citizens of different countries, in particular through **town-twinning and networks of towns**, so as to afford them practical experience of the wealth and diversity of the common heritage of the Union and to make them aware that these constitute the foundation for a common future.

[Search Citizens' Engagement and Participation calls for proposals](#)

(2) Equality, Rights and Gender Equality

To promote rights, non-discrimination, equality, including gender equality, and advance gender and non-discrimination mainstreaming. Projects in this area will:

- prevent and combat inequalities and discrimination on grounds of sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation and respecting the principle of **non-discrimination** on the grounds provided for in Article 21 of the EU Charter;
- promote women's full enjoyment of rights, **gender equality**, including work-life balance, women's empowerment and gender mainstreaming;
- **combat** all forms of discrimination, racism, xenophobia, afrophobia, antisemitism, anti-gypsism, anti-muslim hatred, and other forms of intolerance, including homophobia and other forms of intolerance based on gender identity both online and offline;
- protect and promote the **rights of the child**, awareness raising of children rights in judicial proceedings, capacity-building of child protection systems;
- protect and promote the **rights of persons with disabilities**, for their active inclusion and full participation in society;
- tackle the challenges related to the **protection of personal data** and data protection reform, as well as to support the stakeholder dialogue in this area;
- support the efforts to enable people to exercise their **rights as EU citizens** and enforce free movement rights, as well as tackling the abuse of those rights.

[Search Equality, Rights and Gender Equality calls for proposals](#)

(4) Daphne

To fight violence, including gender-based violence. Projects in this area will:

- prevent and combating at all levels all forms of **gender-based violence** against women and girls and domestic violence, also by promoting the standards laid down in the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (the Istanbul Convention);
- preventing and combating all forms of **violence against children**, young people, as well as violence against **other groups at risk**, such as LGBTQI persons and persons with disabilities;
- **support and protect all direct and indirect victims of such violence**, such as domestic violence exerted within the family or violence in intimate relationships, including children orphaned by domestic crimes, and supporting and ensuring the same level of protection throughout the Union for victims of gender-based violence.

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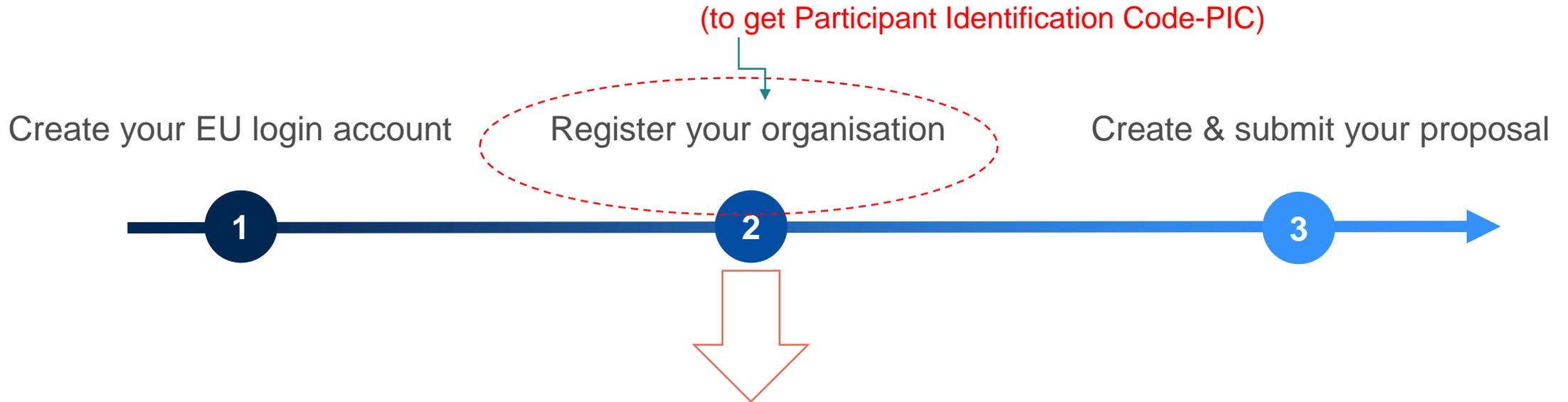


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No	Name of beneficiary	Country	Role	Personnel costs - without volunteers EUR	Personnel costs volunteers EUR	Subcontracting costs EUR	Purchase costs - Travel and subsistence/ EUR	Purchase costs - Equipment EUR	Purchase costs - Other goods, works and services EUR	Financial support to third parties/ EUR	Indirect costs EUR	Total eligible costs EUR	Ineligible costs/ EUR	Total estimated project costs and contributions EUR	Funding rate	Maximum EU contribution to eligible costs EUR	Requested EU contribution to eligible costs EUR	Max grant amount EUR	Income generated by the project EUR	In kind contributions EUR	Financial contributions EUR	Own resources/ EUR	Total estimated project income/ EUR	
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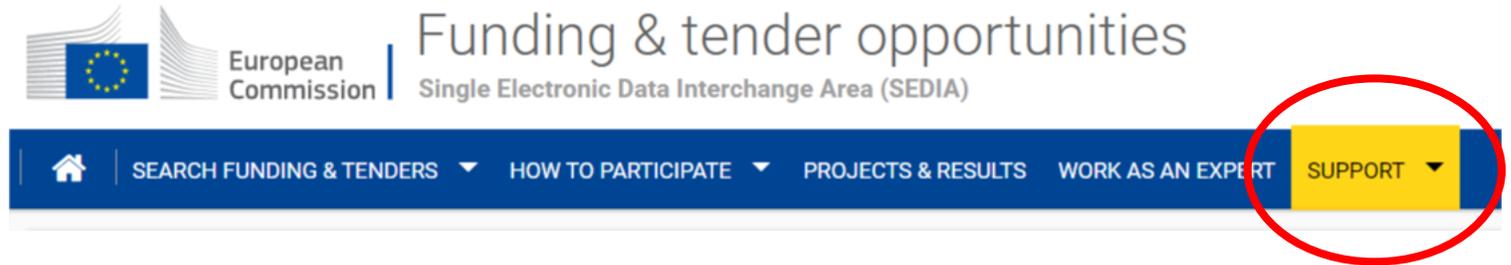
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Closing remarks

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Thank you !