

ANNEX 1. Description – 2022 National Call for CSO Proposals under Component 3

The European Union Anti-Corruption Initiative (EUACI), funded by the European Union, co-funded and implemented by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, consolidates efforts directed at assisting Ukraine’s anti-corruption reforms. The EUACI programme objective is “reduction of corruption in Ukraine at national and local level through the empowerment of citizens, civil society, businesses and state institutions”. To contribute to this objective, the programme supports three specific objectives: 1) enhanced independence, effectiveness and resilience of anti-corruption institutions functioning within a sound strategic framework (Component 1); 2) reduced corruption at the local level in Integrity Cities and in other cities (Component 2); **3) increased culture of integrity issues in Ukraine through engagement of the business sector, the civil society and the media (Component 3).**

The **overall goal of the call for CSO proposals under Component 3** is to encourage and support Ukraine’s civil society, business community, and media in the efforts to promote a culture of integrity in the management of public affairs in Ukraine.

The **specific objective of the call for CSO proposals under Component 3** is to support strategic and innovative project initiatives from Ukraine’s civil society, investigative media and business networks that are likely to deliver concrete and measurable results in one or more of the following fields:

1. Ensuring a transparent and efficient process of Ukraine’s reconstruction (including rapid recovery) at the national and/or local level by means of for instance policy advocacy, cooperation with authorities or business associations, and monitoring;
2. Supporting further implementation of anti-corruption reforms necessary to advance Ukraine’s EU integration process;
3. Monitoring the work on asset recovery, asset forfeiture and asset management;
4. Monitoring of the implementation of the state anti-corruption program and National Anti-Corruption Strategy; and
5. Overseeing the effectiveness and independence of Ukraine’s anti-corruption institutions.

Applicant eligibility criteria

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

- be a legal entity **and**

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- be a non-profit-making **and**
- be a civil society organization **and**
- be established in Ukraine.

Timeframe

Applicants can propose projects with a duration between 8 and 12 months. Projects of a shorter or longer duration will only be considered if adequate justification is provided.

Implementation of the proposed projects should start **no earlier than February 2023**.

Budget

Projects must be **between EURO 80,000 and EURO 120,000**. Please note that grants are **contingent upon the availability of funds**.

Selection process

Priority will be given to projects that are nation-wide in scope and will deliver new and practical tools or ways of promoting a culture of integrity in the management of public affairs and engaging citizens.

The full proposal with the budget will be evaluated against the following **criteria**:

- relevance to the stated goal and objectives of the call for proposals;
- measurable outcomes and outputs of the proposed project;
- prospects of impact and sustainability;
- previous experience in the field of implementation anti-corruption projects, esp. areas on which project proposal is focused; includes previous donors' funding history;
- the budget is reasonable and clearly outlines costs, the budget items are explained adequately in the narrative;
- the geographical reach of the project: beyond Kyiv and Kyiv oblast, whole country or focusing on several regions (priority to Integrity Cities: Zhytomyr, Chervonograd, Nikopol, Chernivtsi and Mykolaiv);
- strategy for documenting and communicating results;
- application of innovative and creative approach including creative use of innovative technologies will be considered as an advantage;
- willingness to engage/cooperate with regional/ local CSOs will be considered as an advantage;

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- engaging young men and women, empowering women leadership, inclusion of vulnerable populations, if possible, will be considered as an advantage.

The steps and criteria involved in evaluating individual project proposals are described in document titled “*Appendix A. Evaluation Procedures.*”

How to apply

The applicants are required to complete the proposal and budget forms in English language (*ANNEX 2. Project Proposal* and *ANNEX 3. Project Budget forms*). The proposal with the budget shall be submitted by e-mail to: **EUACI@um.dk** with the subject: **Response to 2022 National Call for CSO proposals under Component 3.**

Deadline for proposal with the budget submission is **December 16, 2022 18:00 Kyiv time.** The proposal either received after the deadline or incomplete, without detailed budget will not be considered.

Questions

Questions in English for **the national call for CSO proposals under Component 3** should be submitted to: **EUACI@um.dk** no later than **November 26, 2022 18:00 Kyiv time**, indicating clearly the title of this call for proposals. The EU Anti-Corruption Initiative reserves the right to not provide clarifications to questions received after the deadline. Replies will be posted on the EUACI website by **November 30, 2022 18:00 Kyiv time.** To ensure transparency and fairness of the application process, the EU Anti-Corruption Initiative cannot express any prior opinion on the eligibility of applicants, proposed actions or specific activities. No individual replies will be given to questions. All questions and answers as well as other important notices to applicants during the evaluation process will be posted on the EUACI website <https://euaci.eu/>.

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