

2019 European Union Anti-Corruption Initiative (EUACI) Call for CSO Proposals - Ukrainian Registered CSOs

The European Union Anti-Corruption Initiative (EUACI), funded by the European Union, co-funded and implemented by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark (DANIDA), consolidates efforts directed at assisting Ukraine's anti-corruption reforms. The EUACI overall objective is "to improve the implementation of anti-corruption policy in Ukraine, thereby ultimately contributing to a reduction in corruption".

To contribute to this objective, the programme supports all key anti-corruption institutions in the flow of anti-corruption justice in Ukraine, from prevention to investigation, prosecution and recovery in line with international norms and the best European practices as well as the parliamentary and civilian oversight of the execution of the anti-corruption policy.

The **goal of this call for proposals** is to support national level civil society organizations (CSOs) within the field of anti-corruption aiming to engage with regional and local level CSOs and civic initiatives fighting corruption to deliver the state reforms, and to implement extensive advocacy and oversight.

The **objective of the call for proposal** is to support CSOs activities focused on:

- application and promotion of accountability and transparency mechanisms on national, regional and local level;
- oversight over and monitoring of anti-corruption reforms delivery on national, regional and local level;
- support to dialogue on anti-corruption reforms implementation between civil society, government, business and other stakeholders;
- anti-corruption advocacy and raising awareness campaign;
- civic education for youth and youth involvement in finding innovative ways to address corruption.

Applicant eligibility criteria

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

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

Timeframe

The applicants can propose projects which may not be lower than **3 months** nor exceed **7 months**. Projects outside these parameters will be considered, but the reasoning for such a deviation must be justified by the applicant.

Implementation of the proposed projects should start no earlier than August 2019.

Budget

Projects must be **between EURO 25,000 and EURO 80,000**. Please note that grants are **contingent upon the availability of funds**.

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Selection process

Selection process will be conducted in two stages.

Stage one

Applicants are required to submit a concept note and must ensure that the concept note comply with the following criteria:

- up to 4 pages (A4 size) of Arial 10 characters with 2 cm margins, single line spacing;
- contains problem identification, the objective, expected outcomes and specific outputs that will be delivered, as well as target audience, beneficiaries, workplan and a budget based on estimations;
- fully discloses previous experience in the field of implementation the anticorruption projects and any support from other donors/partners during the previous five years.

Deadline for concept notes submission is **May 15, 2019 17:00 Kyiv time**.

The concept notes will be evaluated against the evaluation criteria stated below.

Stage two

The applicants that have met the eligibility and evaluation criteria will be invited to provide a more developed proposal and budget. EU Anti-Corruption Initiative will provide short-listed applicants (semi-finalists) with the full proposal and budget templates to be completed.

Deadline for proposals submission is July 3, 2019 17:00 Kyiv time.

Submitted concept papers and proposals cannot be returned or revised/edited.

The support will follow the guidelines of Danida General Guidelines for Accounting and Auditing of Grants channeled through National NGO's": http://amg.um.dk/en/multilateral-cooperation/management-of-danish-multilateral-development-cooperation/general-guidelines-for-accounting/

Concept papers and proposals evaluation criteria

The concept papers at the first stage of selection process will be evaluated against the following criteria:

- relevance to the stated goal and objective of the call for proposals;
- all expenses are reasonable and within parameters of the scope of work;
- compliance with the concept paper criteria;
- proven experience in combating corruption (previous experience to engage with and support regional and local CSOs will be an advantage).

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The proposals at the second stage of selection process will be evaluated against the following criteria:

- expected contribution to the EUACI results framework in particular Component 3;
- willingness to engage or create networks with regional and local CSOs and civic initiatives;
- the geographical reach of the project: beyond Kyiv and Kyiv oblast, engaging regional/local CSO/CSOs and community/communities.
- measurable outcomes of the proposed project;
- the budget is reasonable and clearly outlines costs, the budget items are explained adequately in the narrative;
- potential to achieve sustainable results that will last beyond the project period (integrating young men and women to work locally will be an advantage);
- inclusion of vulnerable populations and accessibility desirable;
- creative use of all media and ICT outreach tools.

How to apply

The concept papers and full proposals with the budget shall be submitted within the above deadlines to the e-mail: natvas@ukraine-aci.com, Nataliya Vasyukhnik, Civil Society Specialist: **Response to 2019 EUACI Call for CSO Proposals**.

Questions

Questions for the call for proposal should be addressed to Nataliya Vasyukhnik, Civil Society Specialist at natvas@ukraine-aci.com no later than May 3, 2019 17:00 Kyiv time for the first stage and no later than June 21, 2019 17:00 Kyiv time for the second stage, indicating clearly the title of this call for proposals. EU Anti-Corruption Initiative has a right not to provide clarifications to questions received after these dates. Replies will be provided by May 8, 2019 17:00 Kyiv time for the first stage and June 26, 2019 17:00 Kyiv time for the second stage. To ensure transparency and fairness of the application process, EU Anti-Corruption Initiative cannot give a 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 course of the evaluation procedure will be published in the way this call for proposals was sent out.

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