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Key European Programmes Overview for non-EU Countries





I. SINGLE MARKET, INNOVATION AND DIGITAL

Research and Innovation:

- **Horizon Europe**
- Euratom Research and Training Programme
- International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (ITER)

Single Market:

- Single Market Programme (inc. COSME)
- EU anti-fraud programme
- Cooperation in the field of taxation (FISCALIS)
- Cooperation in the field of customs (CUSTOMS)

European strategic investments:

- InvestEU Programme
- Connecting Europe Facility – Transport, Energy, Digital
- Digital Europe Programme

Space:

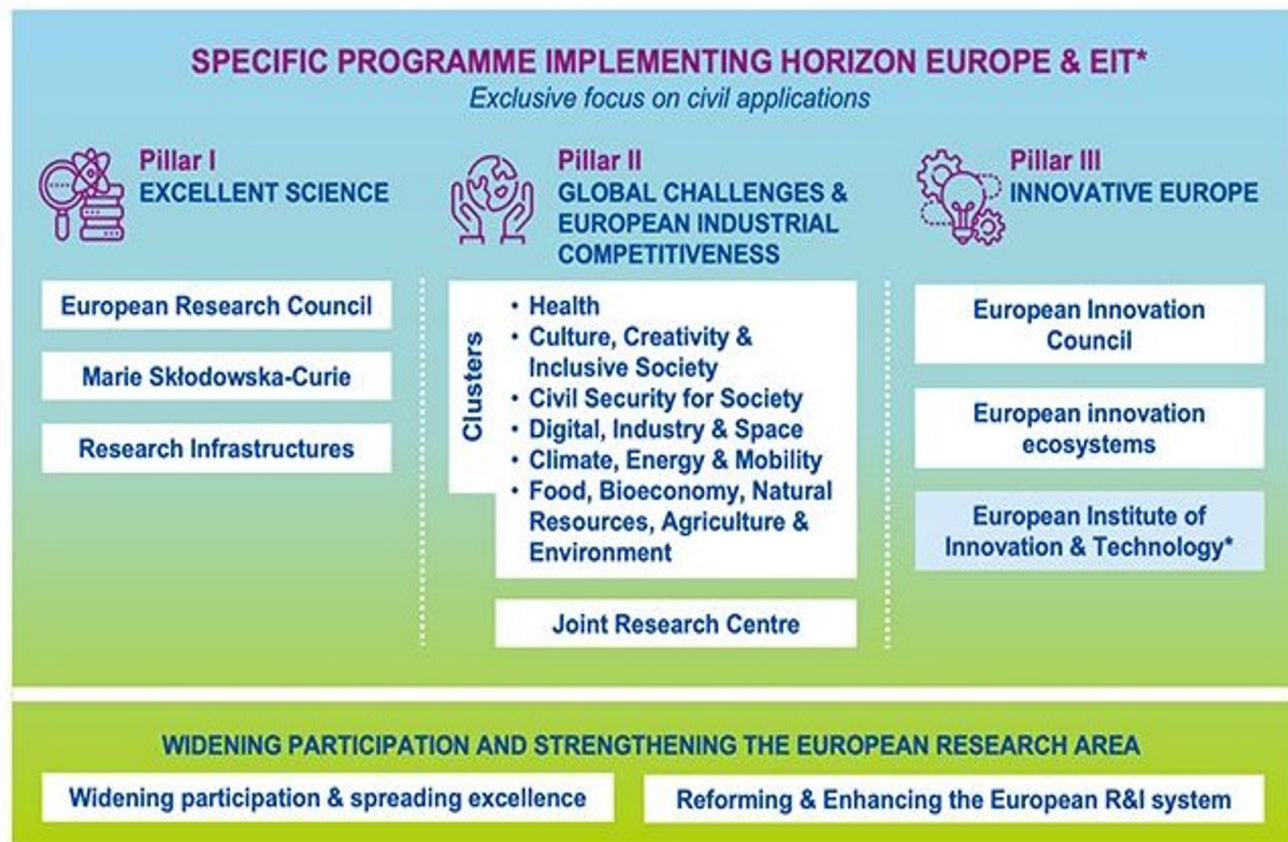
- European space programme

Horizon Europe

Horizon Europe is the EU's key funding programme for research and innovation. With a **budget of €95.5 billion**, it is the most ambitious publicly funded R&I programme in the world.

The programme facilitates collaboration and strengthens the impact of research and innovation in developing, supporting and implementing EU policies while tackling global challenges.

It is structured in **3 pillars** and one additional component to support activities in **Widening Participation and Strengthening the European Research Area (ERA)**.



The European Innovation Council (EIC) aims to support top-class innovators, entrepreneurs, small companies and researchers with bright ideas and ambitions to scale-up internationally. The EIC by supporting high-risk, high-impact ideas, **will turn science into new business.**

Missions are commitments to solve some of the greatest challenges facing our world. Each mission will operate as a portfolio of actions – such as research projects, policy measures or even legislative initiatives - to achieve a measurable goal that could not be achieved through individual actions.

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MISSION AREAS:

Soil health and food

Cancer

Climate-neutral
and smart cities

Healthy oceans,
seas, coastal and
inland waters

Adaptation to climate
change, including
societal transformation

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Eligibility

- **EU Member States**
 - **Third Countries associated:** Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Kosovo*, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Tunisia, Turkey
- Other third countries:
- [List](#) of low- to middle-income countries automatically eligible for funding
 - Other countries that are neither EU Member States nor countries associated to Horizon Europe, nor countries listed above, are not automatically eligible for funding and therefore usually have to participate at their own cost.

Pillar II: Global Challenges & European Industrial Competitiveness

Joint, aligned and flexible actions to tackle adequately global challenges through industrial competitiveness, to achieve a sustainable and inclusive growth.

Cluster 2: Culture Creativity & Inclusive Society

This cluster aims to address EU priorities that:

- ❖ Give a new push to European democracy, enhancing participation, pluralism, nondiscrimination;
- ❖ Protect cultural heritage, fostering a creative economy as well as sustainable and inclusive business models;
- ❖ Better manage migration and mobility, enhancing integration;
- ❖ Reflect on economic growth, reversing inequalities and promoting equal opportunities, fostering social welfare and the transition to a low carbon economy.

AREAS OF INTERVENTION

- **Democracy and Governance**
- **Social and economic transformations**
- **Culture, cultural heritage and creativity**

Pillar II: Global Challenges & European Industrial Competitiveness

Cluster 5: Climate Energy and Mobility

This cluster funds projects that contribute to research, innovation and novel solutions within e.g. renewable energy and energy systems, carbon capture, energy efficient buildings, smart and zero emission transport and green, fair and inclusive energy and mobility solutions and services targeted at cities and citizen.

AREAS OF INTERVENTION

- **Climate science and solutions**
- **Energy systems and grids**
- **Energy supply**
- **Buildings and Industrial facilities in energy transition**
- **Energy storage**
- **Industrial competitiveness in transport**
- **Smart mobility**
- **Communities and cities**
- **Clean, safe and accessible transport and mobility**

Cluster 6: Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment

This cluster addresses the interlinked challenges of safeguarding the natural resource base, resilient biodiversity and ecosystem services, restoring and sustaining the health of our planet, sustainable agricultural, forest, marine and fresh water production, promoting alternatives to fossil-based economies, sustainable consumption, closing nutrient cycles, and food and nutrition security.

AREAS OF INTERVENTION

- **Environmental Observation**
- **Biodiversity and Natural capital**
- **Agriculture, forestry and rural areas**
- **Seas, Oceans and Inland waters**
- **Food Systems**
- **Bio-based Innovation Systems**
- **Circular Systems**

SOME USEFUL LINKS

Horizon Europe Work Programmes

https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe/horizon-europe-work-programmes_en

EU funding and tender portal (where all the HORIZON EUROPE calls for proposals are published):



European Commission | Funding & tender opportunities
Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)

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SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS ▼ HOW TO PARTICIPATE ▼ PROJECTS & RESULTS ▼ WORK AS AN EXPERT ▼ SUPPORT ▼

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>



II. COHESION, RESILIENCE AND VALUES

Regional development and cohesion:

- European Regional Development Fund (FESR)
- REACT EU
- Cohesion Fund
- Support to the Turkish-Cypriot community

Investing in people, social cohesion and values:

- **Erasmus+**
- European Solidarity Corps
- Justice, rights and values
- **Creative Europe**
- European Social Fund +

Recovery and resilience:

- Recovery and Resilience Facility (incl. Technical Support Instrument)
- Protecting of the euro against counterfeiting
- Financial and repayment – Next Generation EU
- Union Civil Protection Mechanism (rescEU)
- EU4Health

General Objective:

Erasmus+ is the EU's programme to support educational, professional and personal development of people of all ages in education, training, youth and sport in Europe and beyond.

It has an estimated budget of **€26.2 billion**. This is nearly double the funding compared to its predecessor programme (2014-2020).

The 2021-2027 **horizontal priorities** strongly focus on **social inclusion, green** and **digital transitions**.


It supports priorities and activities set out in the European Education Area, Digital Education Action Plan and the European Skills Agenda.



**Erasmus+
2021-2027**

Enriching lives,
opening minds
through the EU programme
for education, training,
youth and sport

Erasmus+ Eligibility for Participation

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- Programme countries & those associated with the programme: EU, Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Turkey and Serbia.
 - Third countries not associated with the programme : all the rest except for Belarus and russia

Links:

Website of the Programme: <https://ec.europa.eu/culture/creative-europe>
Funding and Tender Opportunities for CREA <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/crea2027>

Erasmus+ Programme Structure

The Programme is divided into **3** areas - EDUCATION AND TRAINING, YOUTH, SPORT - each addressed through **3 Key Actions**:

KEY ACTION 1

Learning Mobility of Individuals

KEY ACTION 2

Cooperation among organisations and institutions

KEY ACTION 3

Support to policy development and cooperation

Jean Monnet Actions

More info: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu>

2023 Programme Guide: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/programme-guide/erasmus-programme-guide/introduction>

Funding Opportunities: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/erasmus2027>

Platform for finding Partners:

Erasmus+ Key Opportunities for the Associations

Categories	1 Small scale partnerships	Cooperation Partnerships	Capacity Building in Higher Education, Youth, VET, and Sport
Eligibility	Minimum 2 entities from 2 different Program countries	Minimum 3 PO from 3 different countries; no maximum number.	at least 4 applicants (coordinator and full partners), covering at least 1 Programme country AND at least 2 eligible third countries not associated to the Programme.
Funding	two lump sums to choose from : 30.000 or 60.000	three lump sums to choose from : 120.000, 250.000, or 400.000	Lump sum 100.000 € - 300.000 €
Duration	6-24 months	12-36 months	1, 2, or 3 years.
Management	indirect (National Agencies)		direct (Brussels)
Deadline	March 22, 2023		March 22, 2023; February 28 for VET

Its budget is made of **€1.842 billion** in current prices as part of the new MFF (2021-2027) and an additional top-up of € 0,6 billion in 2018 prices.

Programme's general objectives are:

To safeguard, develop and promote European cultural and linguistic diversity and heritage.

To increase the competitiveness and the economic potential of the cultural and creative sectors, in particular the audiovisual sector.

The Creative Europe programme is structured into **three strands**:

CULTURE strand to enhance artistic and cultural cooperation at the European level and strengthen the economic and social dimension of the European cultural and creative sector

CROSS-SECTORAL strand to support policy cooperation and actions spanning across the audiovisual and other cultural and creative sectors

MEDIA strand to support and promote the competitiveness of the European audiovisual industry, including through mobility in the European audiovisual sector

CREA Eligibility for Participation

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- **EU Member States**;
 - **EFTA/EEA** - Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein;
 - **Candidate countries** : WB, Turkey, Ukraine
 - **ENP**: Armenia, Georgia, Tunisia,

Links:

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CREA : European Cooperation Projects

Categories	1 Small scale projects	2 Medium scale projects	3 Large scale projects
Eligibility	Minimum 3 entities from 3 different eligible countries	minimum 5 entities from 5 different eligible countries	minimum 10 entities from 10 different eligible countries
Funding	up to EUR 200,000 (80%) of the total eligible costs	up to EUR 1,000,000 (70%)	up to EUR 2,000,000 (60%)
Objective	<p>1 - Transnational creation and circulation: to strengthen the transnational <u>creation</u> and circulation of European works and artists;</p> <p>2 – Innovation: to enhance the capacity of European cultural and creative sectors to nurture talents, to <u>innovate</u>, to prosper and to generate jobs and growth.</p>		
Duration	48 months max		
Budget Call	EUR 60,076,809		
% /category	35%	35%	30%
Deadline	23 February, 2023		

Cross Border Cooperation

The Cross Border Cooperation (CBC) is a crucial element of the EU policy towards its neighbours.

It promotes **cooperation between EU countries and neighbouring countries** by reducing the differences in living standards and addressing common challenges across borders.

3 main goals:

- promoting economic and social development in border areas
- addressing common challenges
- putting in place better conditions for persons, goods and capital mobility

The CBC budget comes from two different sources: the **European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)** and the **European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)**.

Cross Border Cooperation

The Cross Border Cooperation is encompassed within the INTERREG Programme. INTERREG has 5 different programmes, 3 of which are dedicated to cross border cooperation with and among non EU members.

1. **Interreg A - Cross Border Cooperation**, implemented within the EU and at EU's external borders
2. **Interreg B - Transnational Cooperation**, involves regions from several countries of the EU forming bigger areas
3. **Interreg C - Interregional Cooperation**, 4 different programmes for EU Member States: Interreg Europe, Interact, Urbact and Espon
4. **The Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance Cross - Border Cooperation (IPA CBC)**: supports cross-border co-operation between candidate countries, potential candidate countries and EU Member States
5. **European Neighbourhood Instrument Cross - Border Cooperation (ENI CBC)**: a total 15 programmes cover 12 land borders, stretching from Finland and Russia in the north, to countries like Hungary and Ukraine in the east, and Italy, Northern Africa and the Middle East in the south.

Interreg Transnational Cooperation, **IPA CBC** and **ENI CBC** offer funding possibilities for non-EU countries.

Some examples of Interreg programmes:

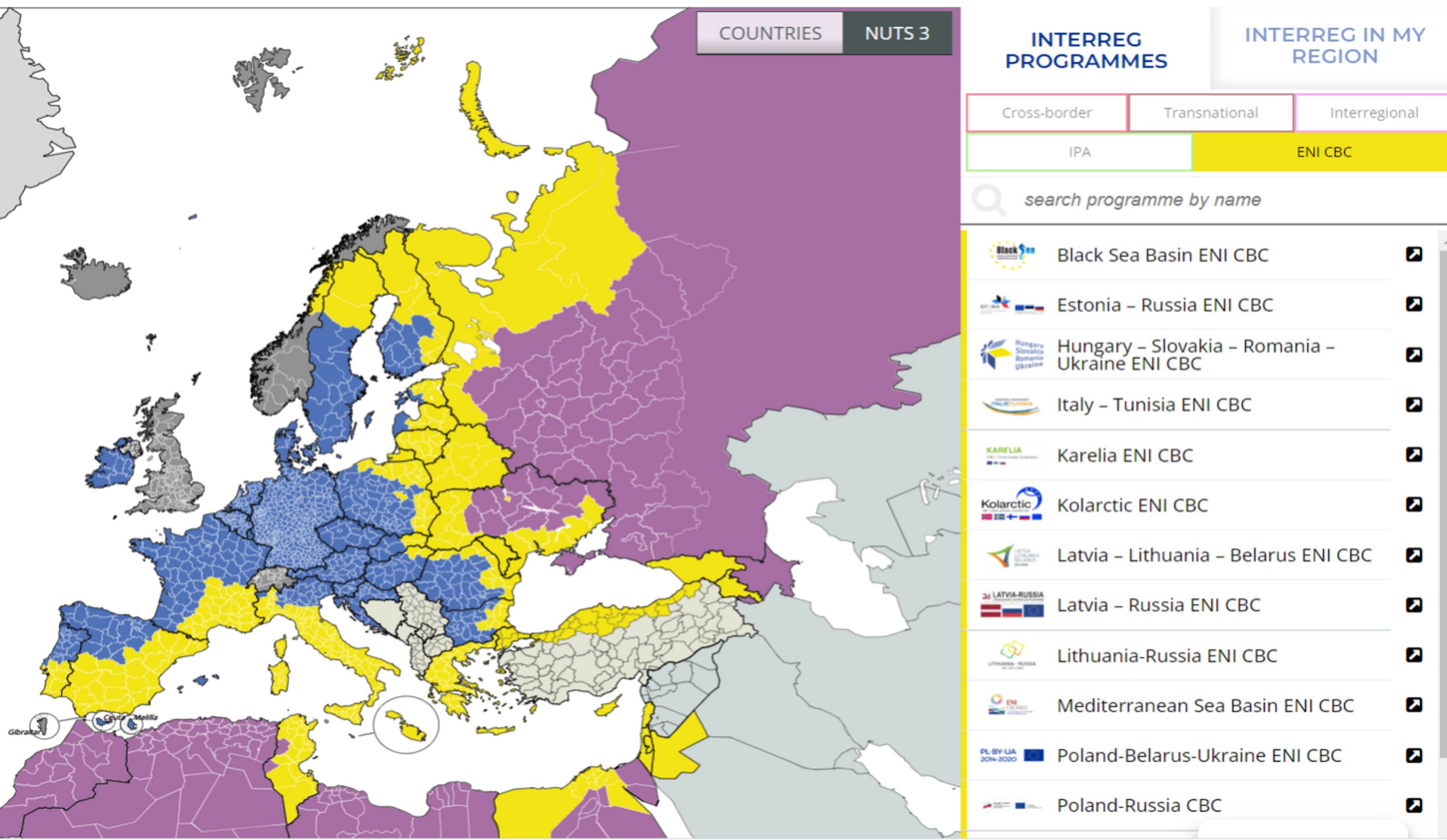
Transnational: [Interreg Danube Transnational Programme](#)

IPA CBC: [Interreg Italy-Albania-Montenegro](#)

























ENI CBC: [Italy – Tunisia](#)

link for calls for projects: <https://interreg.eu/call-for-project/>

An interesting map visualizing all INTERREG Programmes can be accessed on the following website: <https://interreg.eu/>



The screenshot displays the INTERREG website interface. On the left, a map of Europe is color-coded by INTERREG programme regions: blue for cross-border programmes, yellow for transnational programmes, and purple for interregional programmes. The map includes labels for 'COUNTRIES' and 'NUTS 3'. On the right, the website's navigation and search interface is shown. It features a search bar with the text 'search programme by name' and a list of 12 INTERREG programmes, each with a logo and a link icon.

INTERREG PROGRAMMES		INTERREG IN MY REGION
Cross-border	Transnational	Interregional
IPA	ENI CBC	
search programme by name		
	Black Sea Basin ENI CBC	
	Estonia - Russia ENI CBC	
	Hungary - Slovakia - Romania - Ukraine ENI CBC	
	Italy - Tunisia ENI CBC	
	Karelia ENI CBC	
	Kolarctic ENI CBC	
	Latvia - Lithuania - Belarus ENI CBC	
	Latvia - Russia ENI CBC	
	Lithuania-Russia ENI CBC	
	Mediterranean Sea Basin ENI CBC	
	Poland-Belarus-Ukraine ENI CBC	
	Poland-Russia CBC	

- ❖ Human Rights and Democracy
- ❖ Civil Society Organisations
- ❖ Peace, Stability and Conflict Prevention
- ❖ Global Challenges

Human Rights and Democracy Programme

It is the flagship **European programme on human rights and democracy**, built upon the key features of the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (**EIDHR**). EIDHR was created by the European Parliament in 1994 to support both the activities of civil society working for human rights and democracy and the efforts of international organisations.

5 overarching **priorities**:

- 1. Protecting and empowering individuals;**
- 2. Building resilient, inclusive and democratic societies;**
- 3. Promoting a global system for human rights and democracy;**
- 4. Harnessing the opportunities and addressing challenges of new technologies;**
- 5. Delivering by working together.**

Civil Society Organizations

The programme is funded through the Global Europe: Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI), with the specific aim of strengthening CSOs as independent actors of good governance and development in their own right.

Priorities:

- an inclusive, participatory, empowered, and independent civil society
- A better-informed and more inclusive society with a developed sense of co-responsibility for sustainable development,

Example of a **global** call for civil society:

Société civile acteur de gouvernance et de développement

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?ADSSChck=1674206822348&do=publi.detPUB&searchtype=AS&Pgm=24014961&zgeo=38220&debpub=&orderby=upd&orderbyad=Desc&nbPubliList=25&page=1&aoref=174309>

Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III)

IPA III is a part of the heading 6: **NEIGHBOURHOOD AND THE WORLD**.

Pre-accession assistance supports EU **candidate countries** and **potential candidates** in adopting and implementing key political, institutional, social and economic reforms to comply with EU values and to progressively align with its rules, standards and policies.



Current Beneficiaries:
Pre-Accession Countries
+ **multi-country / regional programmes**

OBJECTIVES:

- Promote shared values
- Reforms to modernise society and economy
- Post COVID-19 recovery
- Alignment with EU rules and standards
- Long-term stability and prosperity

IPA III Programming Framework

Five Windows

mirroring the clusters of negotiating chapters



1: Rule of Law, Fundamental Rights and Democracy



2: Good governance, acquis alignment, good neighbourly relations and strategic communication



3: Green agenda and sustainable connectivity



4: Competitiveness and inclusive growth



5: Territorial and cross-border cooperation

Example of a (past) regional call:

EU Civil Society Facility and Media Programme in favour of the Western Balkans and Turkey for 2021-2023 (IPA III)

Specific Objectives of the call:

- **Regional thematic networks of Civil Society Organisations;**
- **Small scale projects in support of good neighbourly relations between Serbia and Kosovo*;**
- **Regional CSOs networks promoting media freedom and freedom of expression; and**
- **Quality Journalism initiative**

Divided into **6 Lots:**

- Good Governance, Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption
- Human Rights, Anti-discrimination and Inter-Cultural Dialogue
- Green and Digital Transition
- Media Freedom and Freedom of Expression, including countering disinformation and misinformation
- Small scale projects in support of good neighbourly relations between Serbia and Kosovo
- Quality Journalism



Global Objective: to strengthen participatory democracies and the EU approximation process in the Western Balkans and Turkey

budget for a project: 700.000-1.300.000

small scale: 200.000-400.000

Link to the call: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome&nbPubliList=15&orderby=sta&orderbyad=Asc&searchtype=RS&aofr=174154>

One example.....

Project name: WE ACT - Women Empowerment and ACTION in politics and media

Funding program: thematic program on human rights and Democracy - Turkey

Overall goal: Improve the exercise of political and civic rights for women and LGBTIQ+ persons at the local level

Specific objectives:

- ❖ Increase the political participation of women in the upcoming local elections of Turkey (2024) in the 7 regions of Turkey
- ❖ Improve conditions for a democratic debate on gender issues at the local policy level - making progress in all regions of Turkey

Target groups:

150 women, aspiring candidates for the local elections; 40 - 50 CSOs striving for women and LGBTIQ+ rights

Duration: 30 months (02.01.2023 - 30.06.2025)

Activities:

WP1: Political empowerment of women (electoral cycle, leadership, electoral campaign organisation, etc.)

WP2: Capacity building on participatory democracy, for candidates and CSOs representing women and LGBTIQ+

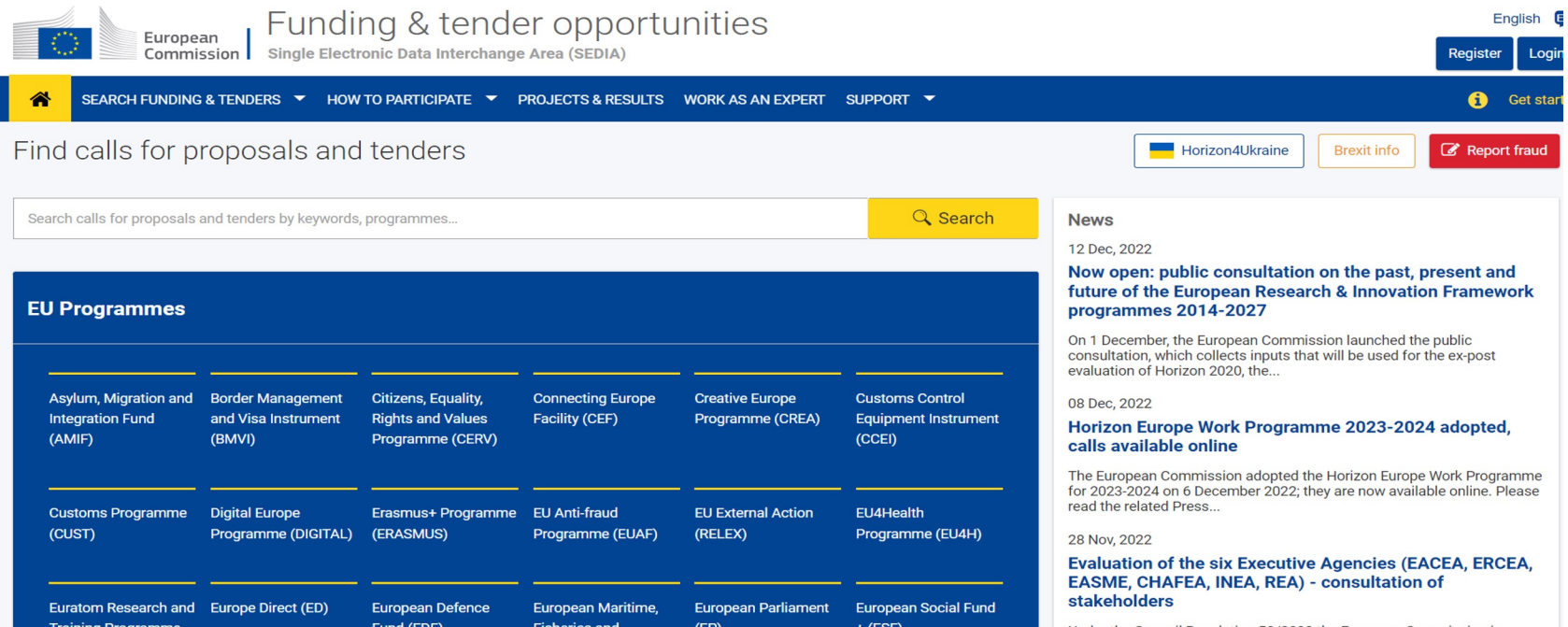
WP3: empowerment of women on media (how to use media, how to release interviews, run a podcast, etc.)

WP4: Subgranting scheme for CSOs working for women and LGBTIQ+ rights (21 projects in 7 regions)

Some useful links

Funding and tenders opportunities Portal

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>



The screenshot shows the 'Funding & tender opportunities' portal. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the European Commission logo and the text 'Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)'. The main header includes 'Funding & tender opportunities' and a search bar. Below the search bar, there is a grid of 'EU Programmes' with links to various funding areas. On the right side, there is a 'News' section with several articles.

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Find calls for proposals and tenders

Horizon4Ukraine Brexit info Report fraud

Search calls for proposals and tenders by keywords, programmes... Search

EU Programmes

Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)	Border Management and Visa Instrument (BMVI)	Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme (CERV)	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)	Creative Europe Programme (CREA)	Customs Control Equipment Instrument (CCEI)
Customs Programme (CUST)	Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL)	Erasmus+ Programme (ERASMUS)	EU Anti-fraud Programme (EUFAP)	EU External Action (RELEX)	EU4Health Programme (EU4H)
Euratom Research and Training Programme	Europe Direct (ED)	European Defence Fund (EDF)	European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF)	European Parliament (EP)	European Social Fund (ESF)

News

12 Dec, 2022
Now open: public consultation on the past, present and future of the European Research & Innovation Framework programmes 2014-2027
On 1 December, the European Commission launched the public consultation, which collects inputs that will be used for the ex-post evaluation of Horizon 2020, the...

08 Dec, 2022
Horizon Europe Work Programme 2023-2024 adopted, calls available online
The European Commission adopted the Horizon Europe Work Programme for 2023-2024 on 6 December 2022; they are now available online. Please read the related Press...

28 Nov, 2022
Evaluation of the six Executive Agencies (EACEA, ERCEA, EASME, CHAFAE, INEA, REA) - consultation of stakeholders
Under the Council Regulation (EU) 2020/2091, the European Commission is...

2021-2027 long-term EU budget & NextGenerationEU - EU Commission Overview

https://commission.europa.eu/strategy-and-policy/eu-budget/long-term-eu-budget/2021-2027_en

Some useful links

International Cooperation and Development Portal

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome&nbPubliList=15&orderby=upd&orderbyad=Desc&searchtype=AS&pgm=757>

The screenshot shows the 'INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT Calls for Proposals and Tenders' page. It features a search filter section with the following settings: Programme: Civil society organisation; Geographical Zone: All Countries; Type: Grants (checked), Open (checked); Status: Open (checked). The search results show 10 records, with the first few being:

Ref. #	Title	Published	Updated	Status	Type	Geographical Zone	Programme	Action
176131	SOUTIEN AUX ORGANISATIONS DE LA SOCIETE CIVILE SENEGALAISE POUR L'ENGAGEMENT DES JEUNES ACTEURS DE GOUVERNANCE ET DE DEVELOPEMENT	19/12/2022	30/01/2023	Open » 13/02/2023	Action Grants	Senegal	Civil society organisation	Apply
176361	NDICI-INTPA Civil Society Organisations	02/12/2022	30/01/2023	Open » 10/02/2023	Action Grants	South Africa	Civil society organisation	Apply
175998	Programa temático: Organizaciones de la sociedad civil en Uruguay	23/11/2022	27/01/2023	Open » 15/03/2023	Action Grants	Uruguay	Civil society organisation	Apply
176500	Civil Society green advocacy for organic fertilisers	15/12/2022	27/01/2023	Open » 15/02/2023	Action Grants	Gambia	Civil society organisation	Apply
173747	Civil Society Organisations as Actors in Governance and Development	01/12/2022	20/01/2023	Open » 02/02/2023	Action Grants	Bhutan	Civil society organisation	Apply
174309	Société civile acteur de gouvernance et de développement	01/12/2022	19/01/2023	Open » 31/01/2023	Action Grants	All Countries	Civil society organisation	Apply

Some useful links

Overview - Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance

https://neighbourhood-enlargement.ec.europa.eu/enlargement-policy/overview-instrument-pre-accession-assistance_en

Programme Statement IPA

https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/about_the_european_commission/eu_budget/programme_statement_-_ipa.pdf

PADOR

https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/login?loginRequestId=ECAS_LR-69591-Bhe7y4zLQ2SCflcPk4pZHjOIAB0VaBYc5ZcUzGxRA7Y4zi4bOzJ0QUjWe74Wua639VZNuA45esovnnN570r30GayntOf97TTHq0GemtNMIM6i-7ci0IWwaLp2L27hqcwRSRAo0nzzlOdzr5sVC60bPD1qRiweH7ONlGr1xmgqHQA12yc3Rvm0jjlzKuYcdqwPztlC

PROSPECT

https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/login?loginRequestId=ECAS_LR-71247-6p1rYgsBFI0BoFbh8KxlpvzQM9pTCEPqKZ0w4mCkzvdzrM01TrpjdHQAFJ7m7XfNzzGSZD1xTiklTRi4THKDKTo-yntOf97TTHq0GemtNMIM6i-eX6mmzo9H5Kf9YFhpENoNrXqE0wsEZFnHFwDzbEF7Ksm48CkM073zZUeMt8ON9fCHBT0zR9VvJT44UxGGtAgmSe

TACSQ (EU Technical Assistance to Civil Society Organisations) website

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