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Call for Proposals for Support to CSOs and Media for EU Integration Projects
Project proposals approved for funding



No.	Applicant organization	Project Title	Contribution	Project Description
1.	CENTER FOR ECONOMIC ANALYSIS	Competition and State Aid Policy Monitor: 8 Matters!	Nordic support USD 39,774	The project aims to contribute to an increased level of state aid and competition policy (Chapter 8) enforcement activities, enhanced transparency and increased awareness of the importance of these policies through monitoring and advocacy. This project will identify the obstacles for effective implementation of the state aid control and competition policy, work on enhancing monitoring of the efficiency of state aid, and increase public awareness of the importance and the role of competition policy. The project activities will provide effective contribution to enforcement, control and monitoring of competition policy and state aid policy coupled with an increase in wider public awareness of the importance and status of Ch.8 policy.
2.	CENTER FOR PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT	Strong civic support for effective application of the energy policies in the EU accession process	Co-financing USD 4,469 — Nordic support USD 39,744	The project objective is to empower active participation and engagement of the civil sector in pursuing activities that are of public interest and in support of the country's EU accession process, by strengthening the capacity and the position of CSOs for cooperation with all relevant actors related to the implementation of energy policies in the country. The project will organize trainings for CSOs to increase their capacities to monitor, advocate for, and participate in the processes associated with the implementation of key reforms in the energy sector, and will support the preparation of recommendations for policy implementation, with a focus on RES and EE.
3.	INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION	Watchdog of Consumer Justice: Strengthening Capacities of CSOs and Media to Monitor, Promote and Advocate for Consumer Protection in North Macedonia	Nordic support USD 36,643	The project aims to improve national capacities serving consumer protection in the country by improving the capacities of local civil society organizations and civil activists to advocate on behalf of and support consumers for access to legal remedies in cases of violation of consumers' rights. It also aims to strengthen capacities to report on cases related to consumer protection, and to promote a more enabling environment for reporting consumer protection violations in order to better inform decision makers and the general public. The project activities will lead to strengthened capacities of CSOs, development of guides for consumer rights, improved capacities of media to report on consumer protection, and will support the EU integration process by preparing a Monitoring Report and Policy Briefs on consumer protection.

4.	COALITION OF CIVIL ASSOCIATIONS ALL FOR FAIR TRIALS	Evaluation of the fair trial standards and access to justice in domestic violence and hate crime cases	Co-financing USD 9,406 <hr/> Nordic support USD 39,828	The project will support criminal justice reforms towards fulfilment of the EU accession criteria set in Chapter 23 of the EU acquis by improving judicial performance and access to justice in domestic violence and hate crime cases, and by enhancing the judicial public presence and its transparency. The project activities will include trial monitoring, offering free legal advice and free preliminary legal aid in cases related to domestic violence and hate crimes, assistance to primary courts for proper and timely issuing of finalized court verdicts, as well as promotional and advocacy activities. The project will support the EU integration process by preparing an analysis regarding the implementation of fair trial standards, effectiveness and efficiency of the courts in domestic violence and hate crime cases, supporting transparency and promoting an increase in the number of publicly available verdicts.
5.	YOUTH ENTREPRENEURIAL SERVICE FOUNDATION	Fostering multilateral dialogue and cooperation between CSOs, public authorities, business sector and media for faster adaption to the Single Market	Nordic support USD 39,962	The project aims at fostering multilateral dialogue and cooperation between CSOs, public authorities, the business sector, and media for faster adaptation to the Single Market by raising awareness of the benefits, impact and importance of the Single Market for improving the growth and competitiveness of the national economy, by boosting multi-stakeholder cooperation for bringing forward Single Market opportunities for consumers and businesses, and by fostering Single Market harmonization through the provision of policy options from multi-stakeholder cooperation approach. The project activities will promote national awareness of Single Market benefits and its impact on society, and will support policy framework for better opportunities for consumers and businesses.
6.	INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS	Towards Ending Gender Stereotypes in Education	Nordic support USD 37,740	The project objective is to advance gender equality and challenging gender stereotypes and prejudices in the education system in North Macedonia. This is planned through strengthening institutional capacities, teaching staff and pedagogical services in combating gender inequality and stereotypes in the education system, improving data collection, and increasing awareness on the importance of education as a catalyst for social change and enhancement of human rights, including gender equality. The project should also lead to recommendations for improvement of policy-making and textbook production in regard to eliminating gender stereotypes from teaching materials in line with EU requirements and the development of a practical step-by-step toolkit for gender-conscious teaching intended for primary school teachers.
7.	TRD KOMPANI 21-M	EU Click	Co-financing USD 9,198 <hr/> Nordic support USD 84,051	The project aims to support increased access to information by enabling access to fact-based information related to the process of EU integration to all citizens, and by increasing trust in independent journalism in relation to EU integration. The project aims to produce around 40 editions of a specialized bilingual TV project with the objective to increase awareness and knowledge of the path towards EU integration and the benefits of EU membership.

8.	TRD TELEVIZIJA MAKPETROL	EUro Focus	Co-financing USD 14,350 Nordic support USD 90,890	The project foresees the development and broadcast of a specialized TV program that aims to increase awareness and general knowledge of EU integration and the benefits of EU membership. The project will contribute towards strengthening transparency in the accession process and will strengthen the public awareness of the benefits of EU integration. The project activities include development of 30 TV broadcasts, surveys and research reports, presentation of relevant third-party research, coverage of topics from member states and countries in accession, while also providing a platform for other CSOs to express their views and opinions on the EU integration process.
9.	ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH, COMMUNICATION AND DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC	Face to face with the citizens	Nordic support USD 89,089	The project is envisioned as a blend between an awareness raising campaign organized by Face to Face magazine that will aim to reach wider audiences on the benefits of EU integration, and the implementation of regional activities and events throughout the country that aim to raise local awareness of EU accession. The project aims to engage local CSOs and local media throughout the country's eight planning regions to debate, conduct activities, and evaluate signs of change of what the EU membership will bring to local communities.
10.	360 DEGREES	360 Degrees view of EU	Nordic support USD 93,651	The project objective is to better inform citizens about the EU accession process and the benefits of EU membership through the development of a series of video stories to be aired during an edition of the 360 Degrees Show. This video content should enable citizens to increase their knowledge of the benefits, structure and processes of EU accession, support stronger audience engagement on EU accession related topics, and improve monitoring and policy recommendation on government performance in the EU accession process.

Total Contribution – **USD 37,423**
Co-financing by applicants

Nordic Support for Progress of North
Macedonia contribution **USD 591,373**

TOTAL:

USD 628,796