

EU funding opportunities 2014-2020

Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme

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1. Introduction : <u>Funding cycle</u> 2014-2020

- Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (REC): 439,5 M€
- Adopted on 17 December 2013

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/programmes-2014-2020/rec/index_en.htm



2. REC (1): Specific objectives

- Promote non-discrimination
- Combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia
- Promote rights of persons with disabilities
- Promote gender equality, gender mainstreaming
- Prevent violence against children, young people, women and groups at risk(Daphne objective)
- Promote rights of the child
- Ensure highest level of data protection
- Promote rights deriving from Union citizenship
- Enforce consumer rights



2. REC (2): Types of activities

- Analytical activities (studies, data collection,...)
- Training
- Mutual learning, cooperation
- Awareness-raising, dissemination



2. REC (3): Funding instruments

- 1. Action grants funding for transnational and national projects
- 2. Operating grant operating costs for EU level NGOs and similar bodies
- Procurement service contract tenders (EU studies, EU conferences, EU campaigns etc.). Max. 35% of the budget



2. REC (4): Who can participate?

General rules

- All public and private entities
- Profit-oriented organisations: limited access
- International organisations
- All MS + Iceland and Liechtenstein for some calls

BUT consult each call for the specific rules!



3. Implementation (1): 2015 AWP

BUDGET LINE	Amount budgeted 2015
Budget line 33 02 01: Ensuring the protection of rights and empowering citizens	24 215 357
Budget line 33 02 02: Promoting non-discrimination and equality	32 108 280
TOTAL	56 323 637

Grants/Procurement	Amount budgeted 2015
Grants	39 039 357
Procurement	17 284 280
TOTAL	56 323 637



3. Implementation (2)

Annual Work Programme 2015 for REC (56,3M)

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/programmes-2014-2020/files/rec_awp_2015_annex_en.pdf

Open calls

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/open-calls/index en.htm

JUST/2015/RDAP/AG/SEXV: (transnational projects)

to combat sexual harassment and sexual violence against women/girls. Deadline 13/10/2015



3. Implementation (3): Justice website; Calls for proposals

Grants

JUSTICE

Apply for grants: open calls for proposals

The Commission makes direct financial contributions in the form of grants to projects or organisations which help implement EU programmes or policies. To apply for grant funding, you must reply to open calls for proposals.

Full instructions for applicants are provided with the call documents.

Publication date: May, 2015

Projects to support activities on non-discrimination and Roma integration – JUST/2014/RDIS/AG/DISC

The deadline for this call for proposals is 7/7/2015 12:00 (noon) CET.

View open, upcoming, closed calls filtered by programme/priority

Search

DG Justice and Consumers issues calls for proposals under two grants funding programmes:

- Justice Programme
- Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme

Each programme funds activities under a number of key priorities. You can view open, closed and upcoming calls by programme/priority:

Justice Programme	-
Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme	•

Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme 2014-2020

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3. Implementation (4): Upcoming Calls for proposals

<u>REC</u> – Action Grants

 \Rightarrow To be published in the period <u>Sept-December 2015</u> <u>http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/upcoming-calls/index_en.htm</u>

- JUST/2015/RRAC/AG: (transnational projects) to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance
- JUST/2015/RCHI/AG/PROF: (transnational projects) to build capacity of professionals in the area of the rights of the child



3. Implementation (5): Upcoming Calls for proposals

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/upcoming-calls/index en.htm

- JUST/2015/RDAP/AG/VICT: (transnational projects) to protect and support victims of violence
- JUST/2015/RDAP/AG/MULT: (transnational or national projects)
 Violence against women/children: to promote multi-agency & multi-disciplinary cooperation and to tackle underreporting
- JUST/2015/RDAP/AG/CORP: (transnational projects) to combat corporal punishment
- JUST/2015/RDAP/AG/0116: (restricted to 116000 hotline operators) to support the 116000 hotlines for missing children



Implementation (6): Upcoming Calls for proposals

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/upcoming-calls/index en.htm

- JUST/2015/RDIS/AG/DISC: (transnational or national projects) to support projects on **non-discrimination** and **Roma integration**
- JUST/2015/RGEN/AG/GEND: (transnational projects) to promoted good practices on gender roles and to overcome gender stereotypes



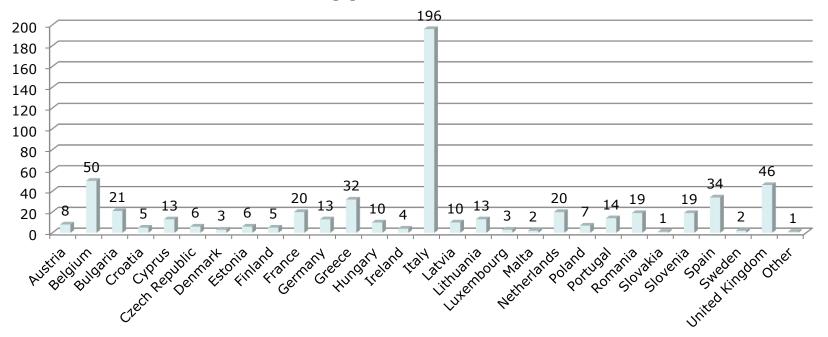
Statistics on Italy's participation 2014

total applications: 583,

IT applications: 196,

percentage: 33,61%

Total applications REC





4. How to submit an application (1) Preparation

Read carefully the call!

- Is your organisation **eligible** to apply?
- Does your project idea address the priority/ies?
- Do you have the minimum partnership? Is your proposed partnership appropriate for implementing your project?



4. How to submit an application (2) Preparation

Read carefully the Award Criteria and their points!

- Relevance;
- Quality;
- European added value;
- Expected results, dissemination, sustainability and long-term impact;
- Cost effectiveness.



4. How to submit an application (3) Example of Award Criteria

- **1) Relevance to the priorities of the call** (30 points):Relevance of the action and its objectives to the priorities of the call for proposals, relevance of the issues addressed by the project, contribution of the proposal to the priorities, and complementarity with other Union activities, avoiding duplication with projects funded by other Union programmes.
- **2) Quality** (30 points): Quality in terms of the proposed methodology for implementing the activities; the organisation of work, the allocation of resources and the time schedule; the appropriateness of the envisaged activities; the strategy for monitoring of the project implementation and the proposed evaluation; the identification of risks and the measures to mitigate them; the identification of ethical issues and the proposed action to address them.
- **3) European added value** (10 points): The European added value of the project shall be assessed in the light of criteria such as its contribution to the consistent and coherent implementation of Union law and policies and to wide public awareness about the rights deriving from it, its potential to develop mutual trust among Member States and to improve cross-border cooperation, its transnational impact, its contribution to the elaboration and dissemination of best practices or its potential to create practical tools and solutions that address cross-border or Union-wide challenges.
- **4) Expected results, dissemination, sustainability and long-term impact** (20 points): How appropriate are the expected results to achieve the objectives of the action? Is there a long-term impact of these results on the target groups and/or the general public? A clear, targeted and appropriate dissemination strategy, which will ensure that the results and/or lessons learnt will reach the target groups and/or the general public? Is sustainability of the activities after the EU funding ensured?
- **5) Cost effectiveness** (10 points): Financial feasibility of the proposed activities by means of a realistic and reasonable budget. Appropriateness of the amount requested in relation to the scale and type of the activities, to the expected results and to the size of the partnership. Appropriateness of management and coordination costs.



4. How to submit an application (4) Preparation

- Start preparing the Annexes!
- Consult your partners!
- Read the **Guide** for Action Grants!
- Address any questions to the Commission's mailbox!

EC-REC-CALLS@ec.europa.eu



4. How to submit an application (5) The Application Form

- Grant Application Form
- Annex 1: Project Description and Implementation
- Annex 2: Budget
- Annex 3: Partner Declarations
- Annexes 4-8: Documents demonstrating your eligibility, operational capacity and financial capacity



4. How to submit an application (6) PRIAMOS

- Register your organisation in PRIAMOS
- Download the Grant Application Form
- Prepare the Annexes
- Attach the Annexes to the Grant Application Form



• Upload the Grant Application Form in PRIAMOS

DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MOMENT!!!



5. What makes a good project? (1)

Relevance

- **Relevant**, in line with priorities
- Addresses a **specific** & **real need** in the field
- Addresses the appropriate audience/target group
- ✓ Clear concept, well explained **objectives**



5. What makes a good project? (2)

<u>Results</u>

- Achieves relevant **results**
- **☑** Involves the target groups
- ✓ Produces sustainable results
- Realistic/quantifiable **outputs**
- ✓ Good dissemination



5. What makes a good project? (3)

<u>Methodology</u>

- Attainable **activities**, appropriate to meet the objectives
- ✓ Well planned activities, elaborated in sufficient detail (workstreams)
- ✓ Well established **methodology**
- Monitoring of implementation
- ✓ Identification of **risks** & mitigating measures



5. What makes a good project? (4)

✓ Strong **partnership**

- partner organisations
- employees

Strong EU dimension, EU added value
 To be demonstrated also for national projects!

✓ Cost-effective project, well planned budget



5. What makes a good project? (5)

Be well aware of the Union law and policies and the priorities for funding.

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/index_es.htm#newsroom-tab

Start well in advance with the preparation of the proposal

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/newsroom/files/summaries selected 2013 ag prog ad en.pdf http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/files/2014 rdap ag bull/project summaries en.pdf

Decide your role in the proyect



6. Contacts:

DG Justice Functional Mailboxes for REC

- <u>EC-REC-CALLS@ec.europa.eu</u>
- <u>EC-REC-PROGRAMME@ec.europa.eu</u>



6. Contacts: DG Justice website

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/index_en.htm

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Thank you for your attention!

Questions?



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1 Introduction: Funding cycle 2007-2013

- Daphne III Programme
- Fundamental Rights and Citizenship Programme
- Progress Programme (gender equality and nondiscrimination strands)



2. REC (5): What changes?

- From 3 to 1 programme
- More flexibility
- Targeted calls not general anymore
- Increased reporting on results
- Framework partnership call
- New IT tool



2. REC (6): Comparison with previous programmes

Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme

2014-2020	2007-2013
Non-discrimination	PROG AD
Racism, xenophobia, homophobia	FRC
Rights of persons with disabilities	PROG AD
Gender equality	PROG GE
Daphne - Prevent violence against children, young people, women and groups at risk	DAP
Rights of the child	FRC
EU Citizenship	FRC
Data protection	FRC
Consumer rights	(JCIV)