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Call for proposals - network transversal collaboration

The goals of the Call for proposals:

- to strengthen the collaboration between the civil society organizations' networks and the public sector institutions
- to engage small and/or out-of-capital civils society organizations more in the networks collaboration.

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What is transversal collaboration

What is transversal collaboration:

- a concept developed by Glopolis as part of the Stronger Roots pilot program
- a process of CSO networks strategically engaging with stakeholders of diverging approaches, interests and/or worldviews in order to tackle collectively the complex issues that our societies face. IN 2 WAYS:

Development of Collaboration
Outside the Network with Diverse/
Divergent External Stakeholders



Development of Collaboration
Inside the Network with
Diverse/Divergent Members



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What is transversal collaboration

NOT

- **NOT about advocating for your goals only** - the engagement with the stakeholders should bring benefits to all actors involved and all actors should be actively engaged
- **NOT about persuading others** but rather finding a shared agreement or common denominator
- **NOT about target groups** but rather partners respecting their interests, needs and limitations
- **NOT a one-off project** but rather a long-term effort of building the relationships and constructively engaging with the stakeholders
- **NOT about raising awareness** but rather about tangible effects of collaboration with limited number of most relevant people (quality vs. quantity)

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Choosing the stakeholders for collaboration

Public sector institutions

- new potential or existing partners from central government bodies, ministries, members of parliament, regional authorities or local municipalities
- must be relevant for the strategic goals of the network in order to tackle the complex societal issues

Small and/or out-of-capital civil society organizations

- new coming members / new partner organizations or current members / partner organizations
- must be relevant for the strategic goals of the network

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Choosing the way of collaboration

- the goal of the project should correspond with the long-term strategic goals of the network
- the project activities should be based on the network`s strategy, experience, needs and limitations of the network as well as those of the stakeholders engaged
- ways of collaboration with both public sector institutions and small and/or out-of-capital should be considered
- list of eligible activities to be found in the Call for proposals

Anticipating the results of collaboration

Key questions - will the project contribute to:

- progressing the strategic goals of the network (for example prevention of hate crime in the society PLUS ONE MORE EXAMPLE)?
- improving the relationship/advancing engagement with the public sector institution/s and with small and/or out-of-capital civil society organizations?
- developing your skills to effectively engage with the stakeholders?
- broadening of your understanding of the context, in which the network operates, and of the ways of working with the stakeholders?
- internal consolidation of the network?

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Tips for writing the proposal

- **have an analysis of the needs of the stakeholders** - what they need and what they are struggling with, what they can get from the collaboration, what can you do for them so their engagement is not only formality
- **have an analysis of their interests** - why they should be willing to cooperate; what interests you share; what their views and potential motivations are
- **have a long term vision** of the collaboration in your mind - where it should lead after the project is over
- **focus on qualitative engagement** rather than quantitative - for example instead of engaging as much new members as possible it is better to engage less members but coming from distant locations and engage them deeper
- **limit the number of project goals** (up to 3 goals is a reasonable number)
- **answer all the sub-questions in the concept note form** - all is important!

Information and inspiration sources

- Explanation of the transversal collaboration concept in theory (see chapters 1 and 2) **The Concept and Impact of Network Transversal Collaboration**
- Toolkit with practical tips and little bit of theory **How to Engage with Divergent Stakeholders**
- Case study of a former Stronger Roots grantee **Non-profit organisations working in penal affairs managed to reach a common approach towards their strategic partner**

18-25 organizations will be supported
with the amount of 540,000 euros.

The projects will last 18 months.

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What activities will we support

You will find a fixed list of authorized activities in the grant call!

Key aspects:

engaging public sector institutions

engaging small and/or out-of-capital organizations

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Concept: objectives and impact

What do you want to achieve?

What are your goals?

How will you do it?

What activities do you have planned?

What capacities will you put into it?

Who will work on the project?



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Stronger Roots Support

constant support of our coordinators

at least 2 international **experience sharing events**

up to 10 hours of **individual expert consultancy**

regional workshops & group trainings

up to 30,000 Euros
grant for your own project

Who and how can apply in the call for proposal

Who can apply

Eligible types of organizations

- are seated in Czechia, Slovakia or Hungary
- are registered as civil society organizations according to the national law
- have been registered or existed for at least 2 years
- have at least 10 civil society member organizations in the given country
- their mission and activities comply with, and protect, promote or raise awareness of, the EU's rights and values

One network (or an applying member organization) can submit only one application.

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Non-eligible types of organizations

- **political party-affiliated associations**
- **public sector**
- **governmental and intergovernmental institutions**
- **religious institutions**
- **profit distributing cooperatives**
- **informal groups**
- **sole proprietorship**
- **natural person**

Selection process

25. 5. 2023

**deadline for submitting
concept notes**

administrative and
eligibility check

expert evaluation

**beginning of July
results announcement**

beginning of August

**deadline for submitting
full application**

administrative check

selection committee

personal interviews with
the applicants (depending
on the country)

approval by board of
trustees (depending on the
country)

September 2023

**final results
announcement**

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How to submit a concept note

Deadline:

25 May 2023, 13:00

1. concept note (online)
2. the last official annual report (or description of activities conducted in 2022)
2. the last annual financial report (or statement of incomes and expense of the last closed year)
2. the network membership or partnership agreement (or a list of all members and associated/observer organizations)

How to submit a full application



July – August 2023

1. full application

1. budget

1. goals, activities, timeline
and indicators table

Budget & eligible costs

Budget is a part of the full application.

Budget instructions:

- budget 10 000 EUR - 30 000 EUR per project
- grants will be paid and reported in EUR
- co-financing is not required
- personnel costs must not exceed 80% of the total budget
- indirect costs may not exceed 7% of direct project costs

Eligible costs are described in the grant call!

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