

LAUNCH

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TITLE/CODE

Civil Society Programme

PHARE 2004/016-772.01.02

BUDGET

5,000,000 EURO

The budget is distributed as follows:

4,637,500 EURO - grants

362,500 EURO - technical assistance for programme management

OBJECTIVES:

- To continue enhancing the credibility and improving the institutional and operational capacity of the NGOs in relation with all stakeholders, from local communities to large public, from constituencies to decision makers;
- To further encourage NGOs to play an increasing part in the adoption and implementation of the *acquis communautaire* in policy areas where they have an important implementation and advocacy role, such as labour and social dialogue, consumer protection, environment, socio-economic development, equal opportunities between women and men etc..
- To further strengthen the advocacy role of NGOs in supporting Democracy, the Rule of Law, protecting basic Human Rights, including minorities' rights and children's rights, access to information, freedom of expression and related independence of media, independence of justice and fight against corruption;

WHO CAN APPLY

- Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations

PROGRAMME COMPONENTS

The programme consists of 3 components:

- 1. NGO sector development**
- 2. Adoption and implementation of the *acquis communautaire***
- 3. Democracy, human rights, the rule of law and independence of justice**

PROJECT DURATION

- deadline for contracting period: 30 November 2006
- deadline for contract execution: 30 November 2007

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COMPONENT 1: NGO SECTOR DEVELOPMENT
Ref. No: PHARE 2004/016-772.01.02/01

BUDGET **1,500,000 EURO**

OBJECTIVE

- to further enhance the credibility and improve the institutional and operational capacity of the NGOs in relation with all stakeholders, from local communities to large public, from constituencies to decision makers, in terms of public visibility, credibility, accountability and sustainability.

This component is structured in 4 domains, as follows:

Domain 1: Public information / education campaigns

OBJECTIVE

- To promote the role of NGOs by raising awareness on issues of common interest and concern for the Romanian society in order to improve the NGOs' public understanding and increase their accountability and credibility.

Domain 2: Organisational Development for NGOs

OBJECTIVE

- To reinforce the sustainability of NGOs by providing accessible organisational development services designed to increase their professional expertise and to facilitate transfer of know how in response to their particular needs.

Domain 3: NGO Resource Centres

OBJECTIVE

- To improve the NGOs' access to information and develop the local resources with a focus on building networks at all levels, regional, national, or on specific sectors.

This Domain is structured on two distinctive windows with specific focus, as follows:

Window 1: Establishing new NGO Resource Centres

To support the establishment of NGO Resources Centres, as support organisations that serve non-governmental non-profit organisations, in areas where they do not exist.

Window II: Strengthening existing NGO Resource Centres

To support the strengthening of the already existing NGO Resource Centres¹ in order to consolidate the services they already provide and/or expand their services in terms of area covered and/or beneficiaries.

Domain 4: NGO networks

OBJECTIVE

- To support the establishment and development of NGO networks in order to increase their capacity to be fully accountable to their stakeholders and constituencies, communities and large public, and able to influence public policies and promote changes in society. A large participation of Romanian NGOs in trans-national coalitions and alliances at European level which bring together experts or organisations specialised in a particular field or sharing the same interest, in order to pool knowledge geographically or in a specific sector of activity, to share experience and foster innovation (new approaches) in a specific domain, will be encouraged.

WHO CAN APPLY

- Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations which may act individually or in consortium with other Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations and/or Romanian local/national public authorities/institutions and/or non-governmental non-profit organisations based in any other Phare country or EU country.

DEADLINE

17 November 2005 at 16:00 hrs. (official Romanian time)

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For more details on this Component, please see Launching Fiche for Civil Society Programme – NGO Sector Development Component

¹ Window II is open to already established and operating NGO Resource Centres provided that they make solid proof of their existence and functionality as a resource centre for NGOs before the application deadline.

COMPONENT 2: ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACQUIS COMMUNAUTAIRE
Ref. No: PHARE 2004/016-772.01.02/02

BUDGET **1,500,000 EURO**

OBJECTIVE

- To further encourage NGOs to play an increasing part in the promotion and implementation of the acquis communautaire in the fields of environmental protection, consumer protection and socio-economic development (labour, social dialog, equal opportunities between women and men, etc).

WHO CAN APPLY

- Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations which may act individually or in consortium with other Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations and/or Romanian local/national public authorities/institutions and/or non-governmental non-profit organisations based in any other Phare country or EU country.

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COMPONENT 3: DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, THE RULE OF LAW AND INDEPENDENCE OF JUSTICE

Ref. No. PHARE 2004/016-772.01.02/03

BUDGET 1,637,500 EURO

OBJECTIVE

- To further strengthen the advocacy role of NGOs in supporting democracy, the rule of law, protecting human rights, including minorities' rights and children's rights, access to information, freedom of expression and related independence of the media, independence of justice and fight against corruption, as well as enhancing the involvement and increasing the capacity of professional associations of magistrates to act in the above mentioned fields.

Actions addressing this objective may fall under one of the following two sections:

Section 1: NGOs promoting democracy, human rights, the rule of law and independence of justice

Intensifying the NGOs' involvement in the fields of democracy, the rule of law, human rights, including minorities' rights and children's rights, access to information and transparency of institutions, independence of the media and freedom of expression, independence of justice and fight against corruption.

Section 2: Support for professional organisations of magistrates

Increasing the capacity of professional magistrates associations in order to enhance the involvement of these organisations of magistrates in initiatives addressed to issues related to democracy, the rule of law, human rights, access to information and transparency of institutions, independence of justice and fight against corruption.

WHO CAN APPLY

- *For Section 1:* Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations which may act individually or in consortium with other Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations and/or Romanian local/national public authorities/institutions and/or non-governmental non-profit organisations based in any other Phare country or EU country.
- *For Section 2:* Romanian professional associations of magistrates at national and/or local levels which may act individually or in consortium with other Romanian non-governmental non-profit organisations and/or Romanian local/national public authorities/institutions and/or non-governmental non-profit organisations based in any other Phare country or EU country.

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