

Call for Expression of Interest: External Evaluators of the EaP CSF FSTP (Regranting) Project Proposals

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In the framework of the EaP CSF regranting scheme, the Secretariat of the Steering Committee of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum is launching a **call for expression of interest to be included in a pool of external project evaluators for the EaP CSF Regranting schemes** in 2024-2026.

The overall objective of the EaP CSF regranting scheme is to further build capacities of EaP CSF member CSOs. These include the EaP CSF National Platforms, CSOs working on the five EaP thematic sectors or on other cross-cutting issues and emerging political issues that may have an impact on the EaP.

Every year, the EaP CSF supports 6 projects of the EaP CSF National Platforms (operating grants) and for the past 3 years, on average 7 projects of the EaP CSF members with a regional dimension.

For the period 2024-2026, the EaP CSF will launch three regranting schemes:

1. Regranting scheme to EaP CSF National Platforms. As of 2024, operating grants awarded to the EaP CSF National Platforms foresee a maximum budget of EUR 38,000 per project for an implementation period of 12 months. The objective is to increase capacities of EaP CSF National Platforms to deliver EaP relevant input into national sector reform dialogues and/ or increase international awareness on challenges to progress on those reforms.
2. Regranting scheme to EaP CSF members. The minimum amount foreseen for projects under this scheme is EUR 5,000 and the maximum amount is EUR 35,000, with an implementation period from 3 to 8 months. FSTP will support organisations that demonstrate a clear added value to EU-EaP regional cooperation and dialogue.
3. Regranting scheme to support the launch and implementation of the EaP CSF Academy, a capacity building project to be run by a consortium of the EaP CSF members. The maximum budget for this project will be EUR 50,000 and implementation period will be up to 24 months.



Eligible projects are supposed to contribute to achieving the mission and objectives of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum as defined by the Forum's strategic documents, including the EaP CSF Strategy for 2022-2030 and the EaP CSF Statute.

Eligibility criteria for external evaluators:

- no current direct affiliation with the EaP CSF and its National Platforms (no engagement as a member of a board of a National Platform, no WG coordinator's role)
- no current delegate or membership status of the EaP CSF
- a substantial expertise in organisational coherence
- at least 5 years of project management experience
- at least 5 years of previous experience with project evaluation
- an in-depth understanding of the Eastern Partnership policy, civil society empowerment in the region

The external evaluation process will take place **online between September 2024 and December 2024. The estimated time engagement ranges from 2 to 3** working days maximum, including 1) participation in an introductory online session explaining the process; 2) independent evaluation of the proposals, the number of which can vary from the estimation above; 3) participation in up to half a day meeting of the selection committee. The selection committee will be comprised of three external evaluators. Members of the EaP CSF Steering Committee and representative of the EU institutions will be invited to participate as observers).

The work of external evaluators is remunerated.

All the evaluators are subject to the EaP CSF Regranting Scheme regulation on conflict of interest.

Please express your interest by filling-in a brief form

<https://forms.office.com/e/Hf9QhZv1CL> and sending your CV to the email address grants@eap-csf.eu by 25 August 2024.

The shortlisted candidates will be contacted by 30 September 2024.

All experts whether EU or non-EU citizens are considered equally.

For any questions you may have, please contact grants@eap-csf.eu.





About the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum

The Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (EaP CSF) is a unique multi-layered regional civil society platform aimed at promoting European integration, facilitating reforms and democratic transformations in the six Eastern Partnership countries - Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine. Serving as the civil society and people-to-people dimension of the Eastern Partnership, the EaP CSF strives to strengthen civil society in the region, boost pluralism in public discourse and policy making by promoting participatory democracy and fundamental freedoms. EaP CSF is a non-profit, non-government, non-partisan civil society organization with its headquarters in Brussels.

More details about EaP CSF can be found [here](#).



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