

Europe For Citizens 2014-2020

11th ECRA meeting - 2017 Bulgaria – Sofia

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Background

- During the last ECRA meeting in Split as new participant I realized that it would be beneficial to all member associations to organise a joint rescue training at least once a year
- We agreed we have to get to know each other deeper and work together in order to better prepare ourselves for any situation. Also together we should find some sort of financing to support our activities.
- On January I found a program in the European Union called „Europe for Citizens“. The main objectives are: promoting opportunities for societal and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level, also solidarity in time of crisis.
- I double-checked with a number of ECRA officials to make sure we meet the criterias to apply for the project. Even though it was not a 100% clear for any of us.
- I participated on an „information day“ related to the „Europe for citizens“ tender to get to know it better. Then I suggested to ECRA members to try it.
- We had a web meeting with some of you and you gave the Hungarian Cave Rescue Service **confidence and permission** to apply together as a joint organisation. THANKS!!!

Tender Summary 1

- - Europe For Citizens Programme Guide (in your own language):
https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/europe-for-citizens_en
- The deadline: 1st March 2018. And then yearly in 2019 and 2020.
- We can apply three times for it. All the applicants will have an evaluation from Bruxelles, so we can improve it for next year and apply again.

Programme strands:

Strand 1 - European Remembrance

Strand 2 – Democratic engagement and civil participation

3.2.1 – Measure Town Twinning

3.2.2 – Measure Networks of Towns

3.2.3 – Measure *Civil Society Projects* - OUR TOPIC

Tender Summary 2

➤ Applicants and partners - Type of organisation

Applicants: non-profit organisations, including civil society organisations, educational, cultural or research institutions.

Partners: Public local/regional authorities or non-profit organisations, including civil society organisations, educational, cultural or research institutions, town-twinning committees and networks.

➤ **Number of Partners** : A project must involve organisations from at least 3 eligible countries of which at least one is an EU Member State.

➤ Participating countries:

The Programme is open to the 28 Member States of the European Union: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom

Currently the following countries have signed an agreement on participation to the Europe for Citizens Programme: Albania, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia, Bosnia And Hercegovina.

- SO:
- as ECRA we can't apply
 - organisations from different countries can apply (multiple organisations can apply from one country)
 - In our case it would be the best if only ECRA member organisations applied – thus supporting our goals.

Tender Summary 3

- The activities must take place in any of the eligible countries.
- Maximum project duration is 18 months, project must start between 1 August of the same year as the deadline and 31 January of the year after the deadline
- Maximum eligible grant for a project: 150 000 EUR
- Amount of pre-financing per strand/measure: For Projects, pre-financing is applicable up to 50% of the grant.
- Calculation of the grant: Lump sum financing system fixed per "tranches,, (meaning:
The lump sums cover all the eligible costs of the actions, i.e.:
 - staff costs linked directly to the action;
 - travel and subsistence costs of participants at events;
 - rental of room/interpreting and translation needed for the running of events;
 - communication/dissemination costs linked to the events;
 - coordination costs generated by the involvement of several organisations;
 - cost of research and IT tools needed for the preparatory activities

Tender Summary 4

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ANNEX II: UNIT COST AMOUNTS AND LUMP SUMS

1. Action 1 (European Remembrance), action 2.2 (City networks), action 2.3 (Civil society projects)

Unit costs

The unit cost is based on two parameters which constitute the main elements of any Citizenship action: the number of participants and the number of countries involved. The amount is established by crossing the number of participants with the number of countries.

TABLE 1

Unit costs for Actions 1. European Remembrance, 2.2 City networks, 2.3 Civil society projects

Number of participants →	25/50	51/75	76/100	101/125	126/150	151/175	176/200	201/225	226/250	251/275	276/300	>300
Number of countries ↓												
1-3	12500	15000	17500	20000	22500	25000	27500	30000	32500	35000	37500	37500
4-6	15000	17500	20000	22500	25000	27500	30000	32500	35000	37500	40000	40000
7-9	17500	20000	22500	25000	27500	30000	32500	35000	37500	40000	42500	42500
10-12	20000	22500	25000	27500	30000	32500	35000	37500	40000	42500	45000	45000
13-15	22500	25000	27500	30000	32500	35000	37500	40000	42500	45000	47500	47500
>15	25000	27500	30000	32500	35000	37500	40000	42500	45000	47500	50000	50000

Tender summary 5

- **Own resources:** „Co-financing principle The Union grant cannot finance the entire costs of the project.” (call for proposal)
- The Applicant Organisation (in our case Hungarian Cave Rescue Service) is responsible for implementing the entire project, partners from other countries may help them but they do not have responsibility

SO:

- Own resources can be for example: free venue for the action, voluntary work, using the rescue equipments of the organisations, ...what else???
- We can make co-operation agreements between organisations who organise the activities.
- Not allowed to buy cave rescue equipment ☹️

Applied project 2017

- Project title: **Cave rescue without borders**
- Partner countries:

List of Partner Organisations

Partner no	PIC	Role	Organisation Name	City	Country
P1	914294259	Applicant Organisation	Magyar Barlangi Mentoszolgálat - Hungarian Cave Rescue Service	Budapest	Hungary
P2	913376736	Associated partner	SAVEZ GORSKIH SLUZBI SPASAVANJA U BIH	Sarajevo	Bosnia and Herzegovina
P3	913380810	Associated partner	Cave Rescue Bulgaria	Sofia	Bulgaria
P4	913360925	Associated partner	Corpul Roman Salvaspeo	Oradea	Romania
P5	913356269	Associated partner	Corpo Nazionale Soccorso Alpino e Speleologico	Milano	Italy
P6	937114576	Associated partner	Hrvatska gorska služba spasavanja	Zagreb	Croatia
P7	913294674	Associated partner	Jamarska zveza Slovenije - JRS	Ljubljana	Slovenia

... and Montenegro tried to sign up, but they had some IT problems

Applied project 2017

C.4 Short description of the project, including its aims in English, in French or in German

(Max. 2000 characters). * :

Caving is a special form of visiting nature, a healthy and exciting sport, and an exciting scientific activity. Caver act together from 0-100 years independently of political views, education level, without borders. This common passion a very strong cohesive force between cavers. The risk of injury is unavoidable in any kind of sports. While transportation of an injured person from a sports arena to the hospital is a standard task, carrying the wounded from a deep and labyrinthine cave to the ambulance car or helicopter proves to be a complex and hard challenge. Safety is based on the stringent training system as well as the cohesion and solidarity of the underground teams. Cave rescuers are often alerted to save hikers who suffered an injury in rough terrain and to persons who lost their way in a forest, as well as to industrial accidents or paragliders landing onto a treetop. In these cases cave rescuers offer their assistance for the total population, not only their caver companions. Cave rescuers are mostly voluntary, as part of which they participate different kinds of trainings, including courses on practical knowledge as first aid, which can be useful in everyday life too. Cave rescuers founded the European Cave Rescue Association in 2012 with 12 participant countries to represent that we are foster European citizenship and to improve conditions for civil participation not only at national but also on European level.

In the proposed project we collected a set of trainings and practices that help us to cooperate on international level. We are however at the start of a long road. This project could help us to take the first important steps and get closer our goals, namely a strong network and a cooperation system accepted by all. Our vision is to set up permeable, operative European system to help our friends in case of serious accidents . Take a large bowl, pour the enthusiasm of cave rescuers from different countries and flavour with spices interculturality!

Applied project 2017

Planned actions

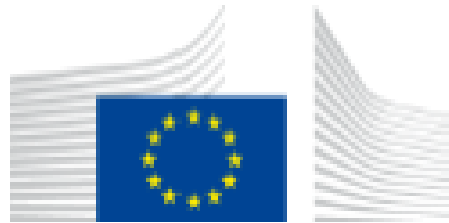
	Duration	Type of activity	Venue of the activity	Number of participants	Amount
1	3 days	ECRA meeting	Bulgaria	51-75 persons (7 countries)	20 000 Euro
2	2-3 days	Avalanche exercise	Slovenia	30 persons (4-6 countries)	15 000 Euro
3	2-3 days	First aid training with situation practise and cave diving practise	Hungary	51-75 persons (7 countries)	20 000 Euro
4	5 days	International cave rescuetraining	Croatia	51-75 persons (7 countries)	20 000 Euro
5	3 days	ECRA meeting	???	51-75 persons (7 countries)	20 000 Euro
6	2-3 days	Avalanche exercise	Italy	30 persons (4-6 countries)	15 000 Euro

Applied project 2017

In my opinion the applied project deficiencies are:

- More cohesion between actions
- Introduce and explain better the vocation and impacts of caving
- Create some useful document, outcomes (they like it 😊)
- Explanation of our long time objectives, what kind of transnational partnership and network we are
- To better meet the criteria of the tender: impact and Citizens involvement; transnacionality and local dimension; sustainability; multiplicity impact etc. (more information in „call for proposal 2.4“)
- Reasoning more consistently with the objectives of the actions and the programme like:
 - „To foster European citizenship and to improve conditions for civic and democratic participation at Union level“
 - „Union policy making-process and promoting opportunities for societal and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level“
 - „Solidarity in time of crisis“

Result of project selection 2017



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Strand 2: Democratic engagement & civic participation, Measure 3: Civil Society
Projects – Selection 2017
Your application No: 589148-CITIZ-1-2017-1-HU-CITIZ-CIV

Result of project selection 2017

I regret to inform you that your application has not been selected for EU co-funding. It received 71,5/100 points. However, given the available budget, only applications with a score of 82,75/100 points and above could be selected for funding.

The breakdown of the scores given to your application for each award criterion is the following:

Consistency with the objectives of the Programme and Programme Strand scored 21 out of 30;

Quality of the activity plan of the project scored 24,5 out of 35;

Dissemination scored 12 out of 15;

Impact and Citizen Involvement scored 14 out of 20.

For your information, out of the 361 applications submitted 25 have been selected for funding and 3 have been placed on a reserve list.

What to do if your organisation want to be partner?

First you have to register here:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/eim/external/register.cgi>

...then here:

<http://ec.europa.eu/education/participants/portal/desktop/en/organisations/register.html>

If successful your organisation will receive a Participant Identification Code (PIC).

Then the Hungarian Cave Rescue Service will add you as a new partner in the programme.

If you need any help to register your organisation or ask questions you can find your country's coordination office here:

http://ec.europa.eu/citizenship/about-the-europe-for-citizens-programme/the-europe-for-citizens-programme-in-the-member-states/croatia/index_en.htm

Thanks for all the help, confidence and support from the countries joined in the first round!

Thank you all who **will** be a partner in the future!

Thank you all who **give** us ideas, assistance!

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