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## 2. European Action programmes 2014-2020 per sector

### 2.4 Social affairs, employment and justice

#### 2.4.2 Right, Equality and Citizenship Programme

PROGRAMME/CALL	Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme 2014-2020
Programme	<p>"Rights, Equality and Citizenship" is the new European Programme that works to promote respect for and protection of the rights of persons at all levels, from the fight against racism to gender discrimination.</p> <p>The Programme replaces the three programmes that have been operating in the 2007-2013 period, namely the specific Programmes Daphne III and Fundamental Rights and Citizenship and the sections entitled "Equality between men and women" and "Diversity and the fight against discrimination" included in Progress Programme.</p>
Objectives	<p>The general objective of the Programme shall be to contribute to the further development of an area where equality and the rights of persons as enshrined in the TEU, in the TFEU, in the Charter and in the international human rights conventions that the Union has joined, are promoted, protected and effectively implemented.</p> <p>Specific objectives of the Programme are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• promote the effective implementation of the principle of non - discrimination on grounds of sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation, and to respect the principle of non-discrimination on the grounds provided for in Article 21 of the Charter;</li> <li>• prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance;</li> <li>• promote and protect the rights of persons with disabilities;</li> <li>• promote equality between women and men and to advance gender mainstreaming;</li> <li>• prevent and combat all forms of violence against children, young people and women, as well as violence against other groups at risk, in particular groups at risk of violence in close relationships, and to protect victims of such violence;</li> <li>• promote and protect the rights of the child;</li> <li>• contribute to ensuring the highest level of protection of privacy and personal data;</li> <li>• promote and enhance the exercise of rights deriving from citizenship of the Union;</li> <li>• enable individuals in their capacity as consumers or entrepreneurs in the internal market to enforce their rights</li> </ul>

	<p>deriving from Union law, having regard to the projects funded under the Consumer Programme.</p> <p>The specific objectives of the Programme shall be pursued in particular through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• enhancing awareness and knowledge of Union law and policies as well as of the rights, values and principles underpinning the Union;</li> <li>• supporting the effective, comprehensive and consistent implementation and application of Union law instruments and policies in the Member States and the monitoring and evaluation thereof;</li> <li>• promoting cross-border cooperation, improving mutual knowledge and enhancing mutual trust among all stakeholders;</li> <li>• improving knowledge and understanding of potential obstacles to the exercise of rights and principles guaranteed by the TEU, the TFEU, the Charter, international conventions to which the Union has acceded, and secondary Union legislation.</li> </ul>
<p>Eligible activities</p>	<p>In particular, the Programme will finance the following types of activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>analytical activities</u>, such as the collection of data and statistics; the development of common methodologies and, where appropriate, indicators or benchmarks; studies, researches, analyses and surveys; evaluations; the elaboration and publication of guides, reports and educational material; workshops, seminars, experts' meetings and conferences;</li> <li>- <u>training activities</u>, such as staff exchanges, workshops, seminars, train-the-trainer events and the development of online training tools or other training modules;</li> <li>- <u>mutual learning, cooperation, awareness-raising and dissemination activities</u>, such as the identification of, and exchanges concerning, good practices, innovative approaches and experiences; the organisation of peer reviews and mutual learning; the organisation of conferences, seminars, media campaigns, including in the online media, information campaigns, including institutional communication on the political priorities of the Union as far as they relate to the objectives of the Programme; the compilation and publication of materials to disseminate information about the Programme and its results; the development, operation and maintenance of systems and tools using information and communication technologies;</li> <li>- <u>support for main actors whose activities contribute to the implementation of the objectives of the Programme</u>, such as support for NGOs in the implementation of actions with European added value, support for key European actors, European-level networks and harmonised services of social value; support for Member States in the implementation of Union law and policies; and support for networking activities at European level among specialised bodies and entities as well</li> </ul>

	<p>as national, regional and local authorities and NGOs, including support by way of action grants or operating grants.</p>
Eligible organizations	<p>The beneficiaries of the Programme are all organizations, bodies and entities legally established in:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. 28 EU Member States;</li> <li>B. Iceland and Liechtenstein.</li> </ol> <p>Moreover, bodies and entities legally established in third countries can be associated at their own costs to the actions of the Programme, in particular the countries where the European Neighbourhood Policy applies, if this serves the purpose of those actions.</p> <p>Access to the Programme is also open to international organizations active in the fields covered by the Programme in accordance with the Financial Regulation and the relevant annual work programme.</p> <p>Bodies and entities which are profit-oriented shall have access to the Programme only in conjunction with non-profit or public organisations.</p>
Duration	<p>The "Rights, Equality and Citizenship" has a term of 7 years from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.</p> <p>The duration of the various projects to be implemented will be announced with the release of new calls for the new programming period 2014-2020, foreseen for the next months.</p>
Budget	<p>The financial envelope for the implementation of the Programme for the period 2014 to 2020 is set at 439 473 000 EUR.</p> <p>The amount of funding will be allocated to each specific objective as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>57 % for the group of specific objectives no.1:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to promote the effective implementation of the principle of non-discrimination on grounds of sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation, and to respect the principle of non-discrimination on the grounds provided for in Article 21 of the Charter;</li> <li>• to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance;</li> <li>• to promote and protect the rights of persons with disabilities;</li> <li>• to promote equality between women and men and to advance gender mainstreaming;</li> </ul> </li> <li>- <u>43 % for the group of specific objectives no.2:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to prevent and combat all forms of violence against children, young people and women, as well as violence against other groups at risk, in particular groups at risk of violence in close relationships, and to protect victims of such violence;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>to promote and protect the rights of the child;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to contribute to ensuring the highest level of protection of privacy and personal data;</li> <li>• to promote and enhance the exercise of rights deriving from citizenship of the Union;</li> <li>• to enable individuals in their capacity as consumers or entrepreneurs in the internal market to enforce their rights</li> <li>• deriving from Union law, having regard to the projects funded under the Consumer Programme.</li> </ul>
Deadlines	<p>The "Rights, Equality and Citizenship" Programme is in force until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.</p> <p>Under the new programming period, the publication of new calls is foreseen for the next months, when also deadlines for the submission of project proposals will be announced.</p>
How to apply	<p>The application rules will be announced once the first call will be published.</p>
Evaluation criteria	<p>To assess the applications, a big importance will be given to the development of European added value of the actions to be financed through the following award criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- their contribution to the consistent and coherent implementation of Union law and to wide public awareness about the rights deriving from it;</li> <li>- their potential to develop mutual trust among Member States and to improve cross-border cooperation;</li> <li>- their transnational impact;</li> <li>- their contribution to the elaboration and dissemination of best practices or their potential to create practical tools and solutions that address cross-border or Union-wide challenges.</li> </ul> <p>Further evaluation criteria will be announced with the publication of the new calls for proposals.</p>
Link	<p>Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme <a href="#">Regulation No 1381/2013</a></p> <p>DG Justice – European Commission <a href="#">Official website</a></p>

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### **1. Action grants to support projects to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance**

<b>PROGRAMME/CALL</b>	<b>Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme 2014-2020 / Action grants to support projects to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance</b>
Call	Call for proposals JUST/2014/RRAC/AG – Action grants to support projects to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance
Programme	The Programme "Rights, Equality and Citizenship" works to promote respect for and protection of the rights of persons at all levels, from the fight against racism to gender discrimination.
Priorities	<p>The proposals under this call shall focus on the following priorities:</p> <p>A. Best practices to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance (BEST). The proposals submitted under this priority should focus on the exchange of best practices to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia and homophobia and other forms of intolerance, in particular but not limited to hate crime and hate speech. They could address for example the use of criminal law as a response to these phenomena as well as other tools (e.g. ethical codes, community-building, awareness raising).</p> <p>B. Monitoring and reporting on hate crime and on-line hate speech (HATE). The projects should contribute to the development of efficient monitoring and reporting mechanisms for racist, xenophobic and homophobic hate crime and on-line hate speech and to improve the existing monitoring/reporting mechanisms. They will thereby support the effective, comprehensive and consistent implementation, application and monitoring of Framework Decision 2008/913/JHA on combating certain forms and expressions of racism and xenophobia by means of criminal law.</p>
Objectives	This call for proposals aims to co-fund transnational projects which are in line with the specific objective of the REC Programme to prevent and combat racism, xenophobia, homophobia and other forms of intolerance.
Type of projects funded	The project must be transnational and must be submitted by a partnership of eligible organisations (i.e. applicant and partners) from at least five different eligible countries.
Eligible activities	<p>Activities to be funded under the BEST priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mutual learning and cooperation activities; in particular, projects aiming at sharing concrete best practices that are likely to increase</li> </ul>

	<p>efficient prevention as well as effective responses to racist, xenophobic and homophobic incidents, by means of criminal law and by other means will be funded. Projects on the use of criminal law should involve representatives of law enforcement authorities, prosecutors, and members of the judiciary while projects on prevention should involve actors having an influence on public opinion (such as media, local decision-makers etc.). The activities should result for example in the production of a high quality manual summarising best practices, which could be disseminated to all relevant stakeholders and/or the compilation of training activities based on already tested models. Wide dissemination of results and concrete recommendations to relevant stakeholders in all participating countries should be foreseen in the proposals. Priority will be given to projects involving a large number of participating countries.</p> <p>Activities to be funded under the HATE priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- monitoring and data collection concerning the existence of racist/xenophobic/homophobic websites in participating countries;</li> <li>- sharing of best practices among participating countries with successful reporting mechanisms including those that rely on third party reporting, anonymous or online reporting;</li> <li>- development of efficient reporting mechanisms available to victims of hate crime (particular focus should be placed on the sustainability of reporting beyond the life of the project) and/or the establishment of reporting networks.</li> </ul> <p>Proposals should include wide dissemination of results to relevant stakeholders in all participating countries and to the wider public, aiming to encourage victims or witnesses of racist or xenophobic incidents to report. Proposals should ensure close cooperation and coordination among all relevant actors such as ministries' services, prosecution, police and NGOs in the participating countries. If applicable, they should include a strategy on how to effectively reach relevant public authorities and foresee an analysis of possible follow-up. The funding should be awarded to a few larger projects that would ideally cover all participating countries, and in any case a high number of them.</p>
<p>Eligible organisations</p>	<p>Applicants and partners must comply with the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Legal status</u>: Applicants and partners must be legally constituted public or private organisations, or international organisations.</li> </ul> <p>Bodies set up by the European Union falling under Article 208 of the Financial Regulations (EU bodies and institutions) are not eligible for funding and cannot submit applications. They can be associated to an application, but their costs will not be co-financed.</p> <p>Only legally constituted organisations can participate. Natural persons (private individuals) are not allowed to submit applications.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Non-profit</u>: The applicant must be non-profit-oriented. This will be assessed on the basis of the statutes of the organisation, in particular whether those allow for the possibility to distribute profit to members/shareholders. Bodies and organisations which are profit-oriented shall have access to grants only as partners.</li> </ul>
Eligible countries	<p>Applicant and partners must be legally established in an eligible country. This is not applicable for International organisations.</p> <p>Eligible countries: all the EU Member States; Iceland and Liechtenstein.</p>
Duration	<p>Projects should be scheduled to start after the Grant Agreement is signed. The actual start date of the project will be the date agreed by the Commission during the preparation of the Grant Agreement.</p> <p>Starting the project before the signature of the Grant Agreement will be accepted only under exceptional circumstances, where the applicant can demonstrate the need to start the action before the Grant Agreement is signed. A project that has already started before the date the grant application was submitted is not eligible for funding.</p> <p>The initial duration of the projects should not exceed <b>24 months</b>.</p>
Budget	<p>The indicative available budget under this call for proposals is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the BEST priority: EUR 1 500 000</li> <li>• For the HATE priority: EUR 3 850 000</li> </ul> <p>The EU grant requested <u>cannot be lower than EUR 300 000</u>. The funding under this call is based on the co-financing principle: the grant cannot constitute more than 80% of overall eligible project costs.</p>
Deadline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The deadline for submitting proposals via the PRIAMOS system is <b>12 November 2014, 12:00 (noon) Central European Time</b></li> </ul>
How to apply	<p>This call is managed via PRIAMOS, an on-line system for the submission of applications.</p> <p>Applicants first need to register and obtain a login and password to access the system. This should be done as soon as a decision is taken to participate in this call. Applications must be submitted, in their entirety, through PRIAMOS. No applications (partial or entire) submitted on paper, fax or e-mail will be considered.</p> <p>Information and guidance on how to register and submit your application via PRIAMOS can be found on the following website: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants/priamos/index_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants/priamos/index_en.htm</a>.</p> <p>The Applicant will be able to download the specific Grant Application Form mandatory for this call once it has registered in PRIAMOS (JUST/2014/RRAC/AG).</p> <p>The mandatory templates for Annex 1 – Project Description and Implementation Form, Annex 2 – Budget and Annex 3 – Partner/Associate Partner Declaration will be available in PRIAMOS as attachments to the</p>



	<p>Grant Application Form. No mandatory templates are set for the rest of the Annexes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Documents showing the legal and fiscal registration of the applicant;</li> <li>5. Profit and Loss accounts Balance Sheets + External audit report (if grant request is above EUR 750 000);</li> <li>6. Annual Activity Report for the last available year (Annexes 4, 5 and 6 are not requested at the stage of application if the Applicant is a public body).</li> <li>7. Curriculum vitae.</li> </ol>
<p>Evaluation criteria</p>	<p>Grant applicants must meet the following <b>selection criteria</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The applicant and the partners must have sufficient operational and professional capacities to implement the activities for which co-funding is requested.</li> <li>- Applicants and partners must have stable and sufficient sources of funding to maintain their activity throughout the period for which the grant is awarded and to participate in its funding.</li> </ul> <p>The award criteria aim to ensure the selection of actions with a high inherent quality, which contribute as much as possible to the priorities of this call in a cost-effective manner. Synergies and complementarities with other Union instruments and programmes shall be sought and overlaps and duplications with existing activities avoided.</p> <p>Applications will be assessed against the following <b>award criteria</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Relevance to the priorities of the call (25 points)</li> <li>- Quality of the proposed action (25 points)</li> <li>- European added value of the project (15 points)</li> <li>- Expected results, dissemination, sustainability and long-term impact (25 points)</li> <li>- Cost-effectiveness (10 points).</li> </ul>
<p>Link</p>	<p>Rights, Equality and Citizenship <a href="#">Programme</a>  Call <a href="#">website</a>  Call for <a href="#">proposals</a>  <a href="#">Guide</a> for Action Grants  <a href="#">PRIAMOS</a>  PRIAMOS <a href="#">Guide</a></p>

## 2. Transnational projects to build capacity for professionals in the area of rights of the child

<b>PROGRAMME/CALL FOR PROPOSALS</b>	<b>Rights, Equality and Citizenship/Justice Programme (2014-2020)</b> <b>Transnational projects to build capacity for professionals in the area of rights of the child</b>
Call for proposals	JUST/2014/RCHI/AG/PROF
Programme	<p>"Rights, Equality and Citizenship" the new European Programme that works to promote respect for and protection of the rights of persons at all levels, from the fight against racism to gender discrimination.</p> <p>The Programme replaces the three programmes that have been operating in the 2007-2013 period, namely the specific Programmes Daphne III and Fundamental Rights and Citizenship and the sections entitled "Equality between men and women" and "Diversity and the fight against discrimination" included in Progress Programme.</p>
Main Objectives	To co-fund transnational projects that support integrated child protection systems and increase the capacity of legal professionals representing children in judicial proceedings, in line with the specific objective to promote and protect the rights of the child.
Types of actions funded	<p>This call for proposals will support multidisciplinary capacity building for professionals in child protection systems and legal professionals/practitioners representing children in judicial proceedings, by promoting good practices in the development of training modules grounded in EU and international law and standards and in rolling out training in the participating countries. Priority will be given to projects that focus on or explicitly include a majority of children from vulnerable groups. All projects should not only develop a sound methodology using recognized existing good practice or tried and tested intervention models, but also consist of a large proportion of concrete and practical delivery to the specific target groups identified, ultimately to improve children's experience of the judicial and/or child protection system. Similarly, respect of Article 12 of the UN Convention on the rights of the child (the child's right to be heard) must be clearly embedded in all rights of the child projects. Any training modules developed should be made available and be easily adaptable for use in all EU Member States. Training modules must be piloted and, if necessary, adapted prior to delivery.</p> <p>Proposals shall complement the efforts of the EU in the area of the rights of the child. Duplications of already existing initiatives will not be funded. Applicants shall explain and demonstrate how their proposals are aligned with the respective EU policies and with the documents published by the European Commission.</p> <p>Any projects submitted on the rights of the child must take a rights-based approach and be clearly grounded in the EU Charter of Fundamental rights and the UN Convention on the rights of the child. Applicants are required to include clear and explicit references to EU and international law and standards they will adhere to or be guided by in project implementation.</p>

	<p>The project must be transnational and must be submitted by a partnership of eligible organizations from at least four different eligible countries.</p>
Eligible activities	<p>This call will fund three different types of activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <i>Capacity-building for practitioners/professionals working with or for children in alternative care and detention</i> (This may include training to address the rights of the child and how to communicate with children in an age- and context-appropriate manner, in accordance with UNCRC Article12);</li> <li>➤ <i>Capacity-building for lawyers representing children in criminal, administrative and civil justice on innovative methods used to promote and protect the rights of the child, such as:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ test cases and class actions;</li> <li>◦ practical implementation of the third optional protocol to the UNCRC on a communications procedure;</li> <li>◦ recourse to the European Committee of Social Rights or the European Court of Human Rights.</li> </ul>           (This may include development and delivery of new training modules or delivery of previously tried and tested training modules).         </li> <li>➤ <i>Capacity-building for legal and other practitioners such as social and health workers, and the police</i> (This may include development and delivery of new training modules or delivery of previously tried and tested training modules on child-friendly justice. Specific focus should be on interdisciplinary training on the rights and needs of children of different age groups, on criminal, civil and administrative judicial proceedings that are adapted to them in the context of implementation of UNCRC Article 12 as well as on early intervention and preventative approaches (including support to families).</li> </ul> <p>Proposals must make provisions to document the number of persons/professionals reached, provide anonymised data disaggregated by gender and by age and must describe in their grant application how this will be done, detailing the numbers to be reached.</p> <p>Applicants are invited to make good use of modern and existing communication technologies and dissemination tools, partnerships and mechanisms. The creation of new websites for rights of the child projects is not desirable in the context of this call.</p> <p>Types of activities <u>will not be funded</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- individual sponsorships/scholarships for participation in workshops, seminars, conferences, congresses, training courses etc.;</li> <li>- activities supporting individual political parties;</li> <li>- provision of financial support to third parties;</li> <li>- legal actions before national or international courts regardless of their grounds or objectives.</li> </ul>
Eligible organizations	<p>Only legally constituted organizations can participate (public, private or international organizations).</p>

	<p>Bodies set up by the European Union falling under Article 208 of the Financial Regulations (EU bodies and institutions) are not eligible for funding and cannot submit applications. They can be associated with an application, but their costs will not be co-financed.</p> <p>Natural persons (private individuals) are not allowed to submit applications.</p> <p><u>The applicant must be non-profit-oriented.</u> This will be assessed on the basis of the statutes of the organization, in particular whether those allow for the possibility to distribute profit to members/shareholders. Bodies and organizations which are profit-oriented shall have access to grants only as partners.</p> <p>Applicants and partners must be legally established in an eligible country. This is not applicable for International organisations.</p>
Eligible countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• all the EU Member States;</li> <li>• Iceland*.</li> </ul> <p>* If, before the deadline for submission of proposals, other countries (EEA countries, candidate countries) join the programme, a notification will be placed on the call website informing applicants that organizations from such countries can participate as applicants or partners.</p>
Duration	The duration of the projects should not exceed 24 months.
Budget available	<p>The indicative available budget under this call for proposals is EUR 3 800 000</p> <p>The <b>EU grant requested cannot be lower than EUR 100 000</b>. There is no upper limit.</p> <p>EU grant cannot constitute more than 80% of overall eligible project costs.</p>
Deadline	The deadline for submitting proposals via the PRIAMOS system is <b>15 January 2015, 12:00 (noon) Central European Time.</b>
How to participate	<p>This call is managed via <a href="#">PRIAMOS</a>, an on-line system for the submission of applications.</p> <p>Applicants first need to register and obtain a login and password to access the system.</p>
Award criteria	<p>The proposals submitted will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Relevance to the call priority (30 points)</u></li> <li>2. <u>Quality of the proposed action (30 points)</u></li> <li>3. <u>European added value of the project (20 points)</u></li> <li>4. <u>Expected results, dissemination, sustainability and long-term impact (10 points)</u></li> <li>5. <u>Cost-effectiveness (10 points)</u></li> </ol>
Link	<p><a href="#">Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme</a>  <a href="#">PRIAMOS</a>  <a href="#">PRIAMOS Guide</a></p>



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