

SDGs and Migration – Multipliers and Journalists Addressing Decision Makers and Citizens in the EU Sub-granting scheme, Call for proposals 2021

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

I. People's Assemblies

The purpose of this sub-granting call is to support National People's Assemblies in Europe for 2021.

In 2021, National People's Assemblies (either virtual or face-to-face) will be organized in the run up **or/and** during the Global Week of Action which will take place from the **20 – 26 September 2021**.

In 2019, the first global [People's Assembly](#) was organized in New York on 24-25 September in parallel with the UN SDG Summit and to create a space for civil society to jointly analyse the structural reasons for the injustices, act and plan for coordinated actions to create systemic change to realise the SDGs and the objectives of the Paris Climate Agreement. Based on the inputs and discussions the [Peoples' Assembly Declaration](#) was developed. The representatives called on governments to adopt more responsive policies and implement radical economic measures to stave off the devastation of the earth.

Objectives and Outcomes of the virtual People's Assemblies:

1. **To bring together community and constituency representatives** from across the country
2. **Mobilise and ensure participation of** a large number of persons during the national and regional activities as well as during the Global Event in September 2021.
3. **Document the perspectives and views and stories presented in the Assembly and for publication**, for example as reports, photos, and/or videos.
4. **Collate and articulate the issues and demands** of people emerged from local assemblies and **discuss the COVID-19 situation, inequalities and the SDG implementation for marginalised groups**.
5. **Develop a declaration with the charter of demands** to the government.
6. **Bring in the Parliamentarians and government officials** face to face with the people to hear and respond to their demands.
7. Bring the **declaration with the demands, voices and perspectives to the media**, for example in a press conference or a press release or by inviting journalists.
8. **Be part of the global process** by sending representatives to present the results and the declaration with the charters of demands.

Bottom up process The People's Assembly will be prepared in gatherings organised by communities, and constituency groups in cooperation with civil society at local and sub-national levels. Representatives will present their perspectives at national, regional and

global levels. They start to identify their issues and problems, analyse the structural causes, discuss and develop a set of demands, devise remedies and prepare the demands and the roadmap for their engagements to address them. It could be the meetings done by various identity-based groups and/or thematic groups, or by the general public. These are part of a bottom-up process to ensure that marginalized voices are part of all levels of decision making. They will feed into a Global virtual Event during the Global Week of Action in September 2021.

The bottom up process will be the following:

1. Community and Constituency group meetings/calls
2. National (virtual) People's Assemblies in preparation and run up to the Global Week of Action in September 2021
3. Regional People's Assemblies of constituencies

The Global Virtual Event will draw from previous events and their outcomes to culminate in a large Global participatory Event in September 2021. **Who participates and speaks?** The focus of the peoples' assemblies is **to ensure no one is left behind**. Invite and encourage representatives especially of/from...

- migrants and refugees
- women's groups
- youth
- children's groups
- older persons
- persons with disabilities
- the homeless
- religious minorities
- ethnic minorities
- indigenous communities
- LGTBQI
- other grassroots voices
- Communities Discriminated on Work and Descent

How to organize? A People's Assembly usually lasts for two days, sometimes more. A virtual People's Assembly is organized during several hours for one or more days and can have elements such as working groups which advance specific tasks such as writing a charter of demands or ensuring consultation and inclusion of most vulnerable groups.

We encourage you to consider the [People's Assemblies Toolkit](#) for more information and inspiration!

II. Background – *Faces of Migration*

A 3-year DEAR-funded (Development Education and Awareness Raising programme of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Development and Cooperation) 'SDGs and Migration – Multipliers and Journalists Addressing Decision Makers and Citizens in the EU' project combines the expertise and experience of 7 partners from 7 EU countries, national and global networks. Its approach responds to the needs for the meaningful, participative and legitimate Agenda 2030 implementation and the necessity of global, holistic and integrated actions, working from the global to the local level. Its aim is to raise awareness on the SDGs in connection with migration on local level. We encourage and support the local and national civil societies

This call for proposals invites the projects that contribute to national and global discussion on inequalities as well as on migration and raise awareness on the Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The specific purpose of this call is to organize national people's assemblies, where civil society brings together representatives of the people, especially marginalized voices and those of migrants, to analyze crucial issues and develop key messages and demands for decision makers.

Given the above, one of the key components of the project is the **provision of grants (sub-granting scheme) to civil society actors working at the local and/or national level**, in order to raise awareness of the transformative role SDGs can have for every EU citizen and their role in promoting sustainable development and its connection to migration (including racism, integration, inclusion, role of development cooperation).

'SDGs and Migration' project is implemented by partners in the following countries: Belgium, Czech Republic, Greece, Italy, Bulgaria, Slovenia and Slovakia.

For more information on our national partners please visit:

<https://gcap.global/faces-of-migration/>

The project approach is to tackle SDGs, reflecting on their linkages to migration and interdependencies through the diverse national and local actions with a special focus on the thematic actions on migration (including racism, integration, inclusion, role of development cooperation), integrating in each cross-cutting issues on gender and/or climate change. For more information on campaigns and projects please visit: <https://gcap.global>.

III. Objectives, target, expected results and thematic priorities:

Objective of this sub-granting is to raise awareness on inequalities, migration, and the SDGs and their linkages at local and/or national level and to engage local population/wider public and decision makers.

See the specific objectives under Section I above.

Thematic priority: The local and national actions developed by the sub-grantees shall contribute to the pan-European campaign focused on fighting inequalities with special focus to migration (racism, integration, inclusion, role of development cooperation) and reaching out and engaging local citizens and decision makers at all levels.

IV. Eligibility criteria: Who can apply?

- Local CSOs/entities operating at the local level
- National Civil society organizations and networks working on local and national level

Note: National civil society organisations are eligible if the action involves local groups and people at the grass-roots level.

In order to be eligible for a sub-grant, applicants must:

- a) Be a legal person and/or registered entity (registered before 2020).
- b) Be a non-profit entity
- c) Be established in one of the project countries.

Note: An applicant can submit only one proposal.

Eligible Activities

Duration: sub-granted activities implementation period starts from the day of the signature of contracts and must be completed on 15 August 2021 by the latest. Reports of implementation must be submitted within 30 calendar days after the end of the selected projects.

Size of grants: Any grant requested under this call for proposals shall not exceed the maximum amount of 10,000 euros, notwithstanding additional resources which might be used for external “service providers”. Grants are subject to the 85% pre-financing payment of the agreed budget at the start of the project, and 15% balance payment after the submission of the reports based on the actual cost incurred.

Sector or themes: the sub-granted activities – the people’s assemblies - must be in line with the objectives and the priorities of the present project by focussing on inequalities, raising awareness on the agenda 2030 and the SDGs, as well as migration, and their inter-linkages.

Location: Activities must take place at the local and/or national level in one of the project countries.

Type of activities:

The goal of this sub-granting is to organize People’s Assemblies across Europe (and globally) in anticipation, preparation and run up to the Global Week of Action 2021.

See section I. People’s Assemblies for more information.

COSTS ELIGIBILITY

Costs must be directly related to the implementation of the action. Cost-effectiveness is among the selection criteria. Preference will be given to projects with a favourable ratio of costs and potential outreach and with most of the expected expenditure linked to the implementation of the action itself (such as production of materials, costs related to the venue, travel costs for speakers, direct labour costs etc.). Indirect costs will not be covered while staff costs directly related to the project can be included in the proposed budget.

The financial contribution (co-funding) from the side of applicant is not required and it is not part of selection criteria. An applicant can financially contribute on voluntary base.

This grant cannot be used as co-funding to any project financed by the EU.

V. Selection criteria

Selection process will take into account, among others, the relevance of the project proposal with the specific objectives as well as the overall objectives of SDGs and Migration - raising awareness on SDGs and their connection to migration, giving priority to the actions tackling the thematic focuses, cross-sectoral approach of the proposed activities, the outreach capacity, in particular the engagement of the civil society organisations and networks in the development of the actions, the capacity to increase citizens' awareness and engagement on sustainable development goals issues with special focus on inequalities and migration and the involvement of other actors, social movements, NGOs, local authorities, project impact and sustainability of the results achieved.

All proposals are recommended to reflect the inter-sectoral approach, i.e. engagement in their actions of the organisations, groups and individuals from different sectors. Extra points will be allocated for the proposals submitted to be developed with other organisations, coming from different sectors.

Applications will be checked for compliance with eligibility criteria. The selection committee will evaluate and rate the project proposals in line with the selection criteria. The results will be published on the website of the project and winning proposals will be contacted.

VI. Reporting

The beneficiaries will provide the necessary reports (narrative and financial reports accompanied by the justificatory supporting documents), using the templates provided, including photos/pictures and its outreach activities (online links, publications etc).

VII. Communication & visibility

The selected projects must fully respect the visibility and communication requirements related to the Faces of Migration project, including the logos of the project, and of the EU flag (+ the reference “with the financial support of the European Union” and the relevant disclaimer) in all publications, references, documents, news and any other visibility and communication action.

VIII. How to apply?

Please submit your Project proposal by filling in the application form.

Please submit your proposed budget by filling in the budget form.

Deadline for submission: Applications will be reviewed by the evaluation committee on a until 31 August 2021.

IX. Timetable

- **Deadline for submission of proposals:** by 31 August 2021
- **Evaluation and selection process is concluded:** August 15 2021
- **Communication on the selection of beneficiaries:** August 16 2021
- **Implementation period:** August 16 – October 2021
- **Reporting:** Submitted within 30 calendar days after the end of the selected projects.