



Civil Society and inclusive and sustainable growth a glimpse on policies and programmes

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Milestones in the build-up of EU policies and programmes in support of CSOs in development





The policy “The Roots of Democracy and Sustainable Development: Europe's Engagement with Civil Society in External Relations”

**Facilitate
constructive
relations between
states CSOs in
partner countries**

1) Promoting a conducive environment for CSOs

2) Promoting meaningful and structured participation of CSOs in:

- Domestic policy making
- EU programming cycle;
- International processes and debates.

3) Increasing the capacity of local CSOs to perform their roles more effectively

Clarifies EU definition of Civil Society Organisations as to include cooperatives, professional and business associations, trade unions and employers' organisations

Valid at all levels: local, national, regional, global

Sets up the Policy Forum on Development

Proposes EU Country Roadmaps for engagement with CSOs



Communication on "A Stronger Role of the Private Sector in Achieving Inclusive and Sustainable Growth in Developing Countries"

- It defines principles and criteria to guide EU's engagement with the private sector.
- Two sets of Conclusions adopted by the Council, June and December 2014.
- Specific reference to the cooperative business model. Particular attention to support access to capital and long term financing for cooperatives and social enterprises
- Encourage a differentiated approach taking into account the type and the size of the private enterprise involved
- Support the replication and scaling up of inclusive business models - in partnership with civil society.

Overview of 2014 -2020 Instruments

European Commission

Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA)

Partnership Instrument

EU Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)

Instrument for Development Cooperation (DCI)

European Development Fund (EDF)

Civil Society and Local Authorities

Global Public Goods and Challenges

- Environment and climate change
- Food security and sustainable agriculture
- Human development
- Sustainable energy
- Asylum and migration

Pan-African Programme

European Instrument for Democracy & Human Rights

Instrument for Stability

Nuclear Safety

Development and Cooperation

1. The Thematic Programme CSOs and Local Authorities

- The only actor-based programme benefitting CSOs and Local Authorities
- Objective: empowering citizens and populations through the voicing and structuring of their collective demands to contribute to tackle injustice, inequality, and enhance livelihood opportunities to participate in - and benefit from - a just, inclusive and (environmentally) sustainable economic growth.
- At country level: support CSOs' contributions to governance and development processes as:
 1. actors in governance and accountability
 2. partners in fostering social development
 3. **key stakeholders in promoting inclusive and sustainable growth**





A closer look at the objective 3 at country level: CSOs contribution in promoting inclusive and sustainable growth

- The Programme will support CSO actions in the economic realm aimed at promoting advancement in the "Inclusiveness" and "Sustainability" dimensions of development
- Aims at improving the livelihoods of populations in need, particularly disadvantaged groups, through CSO initiatives.
- Different CSOs, notably cooperatives, farmers' and small-scale fishermen' associations, chambers of commerce, NGOs, social partners, environmental organisations etc., each have a role to play as they engage at various levels in social economy and affordable innovations initiatives, combining **beneficiaries' economic empowerment with ambitions of social development and/or long term sustainability.**



- Total budget for Thematic Strategy 2014-2020: **EUR 1.907 Billion**
- Budget for Multiannual Indicative Programme 2014-2017: **EUR 970 Million**

Priorities and indicative allocations

1. Country level actions: enhancing CSOs and LAs contributions to governance and development 65-75%
 2. Reinforcing regional and global CSOs networks and Associations of LAs 5-10%
 3. DEAR Develop and support Education and Awareness Raising initiatives 10-15%
- Support measures and unallocated reserve 2.5-5%

2. The Global Public Goods and Challenges

Overall Objective : Inclusive Sustainable Development

Overall Strategy : Support for development that is :

- globally relevant in supporting the **provision/protection of global public goods**,
- applicable in answer to **global challenges**;
- **Equitable** by seeking to support a **reduction in inequalities** & providing **opportunities for sustainable growth**
- **inclusive** in ensuring that all people are enabled to participate in and benefit from sustainable development
- **environmentally sustainable** by seeking to support a transformation towards green economies and inclusive green growth

Indicative financial allocations:

Total allocation: 5 101 million EUR

- Environment and climate change 27%
- Sustainable energy 12%
- Human development, including decent work, growth/private sector engagement, social justice and culture 25%
- Food and nutrition security and sustainable agriculture 29%
- Migration and asylum 7%



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