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# **EEA and Norway Grants** 2021-2028



The EEA Agreement is the mainstay of our cooperation with the EU and the EU Member States. The Agreement includes a common goal to work together to reduce social and economic disparities in Europe. Norway contributes to this through the EEA and Norway Grants. A strengthening of bilateral relations is a key feature of the Grants.

The EEA and Norway Grants are important tools to address common challenges and to strengthen our European community built on democratic values and principles of good governance. Cooperation between Donor States and Beneficiary States is key, creating platforms for political and professional interaction and for building networks. The Grants are allocated to sectors that responds to the different needs in each Beneficiary State, and where there is potential for, and interest in, cooperation with Norwegian partners.

For the funding period 2021 – 2028, Norway together with Iceland and Liechtenstein will provide 3.268 billion euro to the 15 less proserous countries in the EEA. The Norwegian contribution amounts to approximately 97%. Support will promote the following thematic priorities:

- **Green transition**
- Democracy, rule of law and human rights
- Social inclusion and resilience

Gender equality and digitalisation will be integrated across all programme areas and funds, and form part of all relevant programmes. Cooperation with international organisations such as the Council of Europe, OECD, and the European Fundamental Rights Agency will be strengthened. 10% of the Grants will be allocated to support civil society through separate funds.

### **BENEFICIARY STATES** (allocations in million euros)







924,9

596.3



254.1



**CROATIA** 









PORTUGAL LITHUANIA 126,3

**ESTONIA** 





**SLOVENIA** 50,0

**CYPRUS** 17,6

11,2



### **UKRAINE**

A total of 183 million euro is earmarked support to Beneficiary States for projects related to challenges experienced as a result of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

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## **OVERALL OBJECTIVES**

- Reducing social and economic disparities
- Strengthening bilateral relations



The EEA and Norway Grants are based on the common values and principles of respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and the respect for human rights including the rights of persons belonging to minorities.

#### **PROGRAMME AREAS**

- · Green transition
- Green business and innovation
- Research and innovation
- · Education, training and youth employment
- Culture
- Local development, good governance and inclusion
- · Roma inclusion and empowerment
- Public health
- Disaster prevention and preparedness
- · Domestic and gender-based violence
- · Access to justice
- · Correctional services
- · Serious and organised crime
- Asylum, migration and integration
- · Institutional cooperation and capacity building

### **FUNDS**

- · Fund for civil society
- Fund for capacity building and cooperation with international partner organisations and institutions
- Fund for social dialogue and decent work (Norway Grants only)





