

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (KEEP) - A Croatian Scholarship Programme for CSOs Representatives -

The National Foundation for Civil Society Development, in its capacity of the Head of ALF National Network in Croatia and in partnership with the UNDP in programme development of IMPACT - European Centre for Cross-Sector Partnership, opens a Scholarship Programme entitled Knowledge and Experience Exchange Programme (KEEP) for interested representatives of the member organisations (civil society organisations - CSOs) of the ALF National Networks and UNDP partners. The target groups are the representatives of the CSO-member organisations of ALF National Networks and UNDP programmes, mainly from the South Mediterranean and the South East European countries. The Programme is focusing on the transfer and exchange of knowledge and expertise in the following areas:

- active citizenship and participatory democracy
- human rights
- environment
- sustainable development
- culture
- youth
- social inclusion and poverty reduction

The KEEP programme will offer 7-days internship visits, hosted by the relevant and well known Croatian CSOs gathered in Knowledge Hubs, that are recognised as being among the most influential and experienced in the above mentioned specific areas, while also possessing a level of

expertise that will allow them to successfully transfer and exchange the knowledge with individual representatives of the CSOs from other National Networks and UNDP programmes. However, apart from allowing the first-hand experience to both of the exchange partners in the mentioned areas of interest, the Programme aims at establishing stronger inter-personal contacts and providing the environment in which future cooperation, partnerships and possible joint projects might be explored. At the same time, this Programme offers a unique opportunity to the Croatian CSOs for obtaining crucial knowledge about the recent development of civil society organisations' in the sending countries, their activities and achievements.



In the selection process, the involvement and expertise of the Heads of ALF National Networks and UNDP regional offices in the respective countries will be required, being essential for the proper evaluation of the candidates, who will have to be employees or members of the sending CSOs. Through

this process, the relevance, accountability and the social impact of the sending CSOs, but also the personal achievements and motivation of the candidates will be assured. Also, in the initial phase of the selection process, as well as in dissemination of information on the requirements and expected outcomes of the Programme, some assistance from the ALF Secretariat and UNDP might be needed, having in mind the broader perspective of this initiative.

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