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Combating Discrimination against Roma Children



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***Call for awarding sub-grants by National Roma
Centrum and Public within the project***

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1. INTRODUCTION

The project "**Combating Discrimination against Roma Children**" is being implemented by National Roma Centrum from Kumanovo in cooperation with the partner organization Public from Skopje in municipalities of **Kumanovo, Kriva Palanka, Kicevo, Kocani, Stip and Prilep**, supported by the Delegation of the European Union with duration of 24 months.

The **overall objective** of the project is to promote the social integration of Roma children in society through effective protection of their basic human rights.

The **specific objectives** of the project are:

- To reduce the practice of discrimination against Roma children by relevant actors with a particular focus on education, health, social protection, housing, through direct legal actions, legal support, and advocacy for changing dysfunctional legislation.
- To train and strengthen local Roma civil society organizations and activists nationwide for identifying and registering cases of discrimination against Roma children and to include them in finding and reporting on such cases for further processing.
- To raise the level of the general public of the still existing practices of discrimination against Roma children and thereby gain support for their more effective social integration.

Target group of the project are Roma children.

Final beneficiaries of the project are Roma children who are subject to discriminatory practices in the education system, the Roma community, and civil society organizations working in the field of social inclusion of Roma, human rights activists, policy makers and the general public.





National Roma Centrum from Kumanovo together with the partner organization Public from Skopje for the project "**Combating Discrimination against Roma Children**" funded by the Delegation of the European Union announce the following:

Call for awarding sub-grants

2. GENERAL CONDITIONS

The call for awarding sub-grants for strengthening the capacities of local civil society organizations can be applied by associations that meet the following conditions:

- To be Roma associations registered in the Central Registry and to implement or to have implemented activities in the municipalities of Kumanovo, Kocani, Prilep, Kriva Palanka, Shtip and Kichevo with:
- Operational organizational bank account;
- Capacities to implement sub-grant activities;
- The association to have worked on projects in 2016 and /or 2017;
- Associations working in the field of protection and promotion of human rights, prevention and protection against discrimination, social integration of Roma in society, etc.

ON THIS CALL CANNOT APPLY:

- Civil society organizations that are IPA 2015 grantees
- Civil society organizations that are grant partners on IPA 2015
- Individuals
- On this call, a citizen association can apply only once as an applicant or only once as a co-applicant.

3. DURATION

Sub-grants can last for a maximum of 6 months. The projects will have to start in March 2018, and should be completed by the end of August 2018 at the latest.





4. PROVIDED BUDGET

The total budget for strengthening the capacities of local civil society organizations is 1,471,200 MKD (24.000 EUR). These funds will be awarded to 6 - 8 civil society organizations that work with problems such as protection and promotion of human rights, prevention and protection against discrimination, social integration of Roma children in society. The sub-grant can be in the amount between 122,600-245,200 MKD (2.000-4.000 EUR).

All funds spent within project activities with funds received from the sub-grant must be recorded with certificates/accounts. Given that this project has received VAT exemption, the method of payment and VAT exemption will be specified separately with each of the sub grant recipients in the Agreement that will be concluded between the National Roma Centrum-Kumanovo and the winner of the sub-grant.

All funds that will be spent outside the agreed project budget for the project or for any ineligible costs for the activities, the recipient will have to return the funds to the National Roma Centrum from Kumanovo.

The recipient of the funds will be obliged to submit a final report that will consist of a detailed documentary narrative and financial report, with copies true to the original certificates / accounts verified with the signature of the responsible person and seal of the organization in the prescribed forms. The final report must be submitted within one month after the completion of the activities, no later than 30 days after the end date of the project as predicted in the contract.

5. ACTIVITIES THAT CAN BE SUPPORTED BY THE SUB-GRANT:

- Activities that will strengthen the advocacy capacities in the area of protection and promotion of human rights, prevention and protection against discrimination, social integration of Roma children in society, etc.
- Activities that will increase networking such as providing services to members of the community, presenting the members' opinions, etc.
- Activities that raise awareness for protection and promotion of human rights
- Organizing activities such as campaigns, field work, identification of cases of discrimination against Roma children, networking or other activities to promote human rights.

Note: The list of project activities that can be supported by a sub-grant is not final.





6. UNACCEPTABLE COSTS AND ACTIVITIES:

- To settle debts, losses or liabilities
- For payment of salaries to already employed or honoraria
- For already existing activities
- For sponsorships for attending a conference at home or abroad
- VAT is not considered eligible cost

7. NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION FOR APPLICATION

Required application documents: application form, budget form, can be downloaded from the nationalromacentrum.org website and on social networks [https://www.facebook.com/NO-Difference- % D0% 91% D0% 95% D0% B8% D0% BD% D0% B8-816743178480672 /](https://www.facebook.com/NO-Difference-%D0%91%D0%95%D0%B8%D0%BD%D0%B8-816743178480672/) and <https://www.facebook.com/National-Roma-Centrum-158602947539466/>.

Note: All applications must be submitted in Macedonian and English.

You can send your applications to the following e-mail addresses ramadanovska@nationalromacentrum.org and info@nationalromacentrum.org or personally in the archive of NRC at the address "Done Bozinov" no.11 / 5 Kumanovo until 15.30.

Late, incomplete or otherwise submitted applications contrary to the terms of this Call will not be considered.

For additional information, until January 15, 2018, you can contact us by e-mail at the following e-mail addresses: ramadanovska@nationalromacentrum.org , georgievska@nationalromacentrum.org and martez@nationalromacentrum.org

8. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

Scoring of the proposed project will be made according to the following scale:

1. Technical Approach (maximum 50 points)

- Relevance of the needs and issues addressed by the project and call (30 points):
- Quality of the proposed activities (10 points);
- Results oriented activities (10 points)





2. Organizational capacity and past performance (maximum 30 points):

- Grass root organizations working with human rights, protection and prevention from discrimination, social integration of Roma in society, etc. (10 points);
- Organizations that have at least 1 year experience (10 points);
- Administrative, financial and management capacity (10 points).

3. Draft Budget (max. 20 points)

- Cost-effectiveness (10 points);
- Ability for financial management (10 points).

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Once the sub-grantees sign an agreement with the National Roma Centrum, they are obliged to participate in trainings and events organized by NRC and Public. All sub-grantees will be regularly monitored and evaluated during the project.

10. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

The deadline for submission of applications is 15, February 2018 until 15:30.

All interested organizations who qualify are obliged to submit:

- Application Form in Macedonian and English
- Budget Form,
- Statement of the last bank account or bank statement for operational bank account of the organization
- Statute of the organization
- Statement by an authorized representative of the organization in accordance with the submitted Balance issued by the Central Registry certified by a notary public that the association is represented by the Roma and represents the Roma
- Statement by an authorized representative of the organization in accordance with submitted Current balance issued by the Central Registry that the organization is not beneficiaries of a grant from the Delegation of the European Union, either as a coordinator or as a partner, within the IPA program to support civil society facility 2015 (IPA CSF Civil Society Facility 2015) Action EuropeAid/151569/DD/ACT/MK
- Statement by an authorized agent of the that the organization has not been sentenced by final judgment for participation in a criminal organization, corruption, fraud or money laundering;
- Current balance issued by the Central Registry not older than 6 months
- Biographies of key staff

