NICARAGUA

Towards a more inclusive and resilient society

National Context

As of 2018: deep socio-political crisis, divided country, political, social and economic repercussions

Progressive deterioration of the human rights situation

2021: arrest of over 30 political prisoners (opposition leaders, private sector and human rights defenders), closing of several NGOs and CSOs

Elections, November 2021 - confirmed the regime

MIP 2021-27

Geopolitical Context and relevant SDGs

5 GENDER EQUALITY

16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

4 QUALITY EDUCATION

1 NO POVERTY

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

Council Conclusions on Nicaragua adopted on 14 October 2019

Join Roadmap for Engagement with Civil society

Human Rights and Democracy strategy

COVID-19 pandemic

Team Europe Proposal

Support to civil society:

- National and international CSOs
- Advocacy
- Engagement with potential actors of democratic change

Strategic sectors (EU and MS (+CH) are already active through FASOC):

- Human Rights (culture of peace, social and communal network recovery)
- Women's Rights: elimination of all forms of violence; empowerment; gender education
- Livelihood recovery, equal access to basic services and economic activity reactivation
- Response to COVID-19 impact

Media freedom, human rights monitoring, women's rights, and Gender based Violence, indigenous and afro descendant communities' rights, people-to-people contacts and education:

- Scholarships and institutional strengthening
- Cultural and scientific exchanges

Modalities/ Tools

Policy dialogue

Technical assistance

Grants (capacity building, direct funding, networking, etc.)

Common areas of interventions

- Democratic governance
- Human rights
- Civil society

Transformational potential

- Promotion of democratic governance and support to human rights and civil society
- Support to democratic transition

**This Team Europe Initiative is work in progress*

***SDGs included based on a new JRC electronic text mining tool, which identifies SDGs (targets)*

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