



CSO & LA Annual Action Programme 2014

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Looking back on the NSA-LA thematic programme (2007-2013)

Three objectives:

1. Promote an **inclusive and empowered society** in partner countries to facilitate non-state actor and local authority participation in poverty reduction and sustainable development strategies **(83% of the budget)**
 2. Promote **awareness-raising and development education** in the EU and accession countries about development issues **(14% of the budget)**
 3. Facilitate coordination and communication of NSA and LA **networks** in EU and accession countries **(2% of the budget)**
- + Accompanying measures (1% of the budget)**

Financial overview

	%	NSA	LA	Total
Objective 1: Interventions in partner countries	83%	1,107,268,466	194,997,500	1,302,265,966
Objective 2: Development Education and Awareness Raising (DEAR)	14%	184,848,323	34,454,000	219,302,323
Objective 3: Coordination	2%	26,100,464	3,787,000	29,887,464
Accompanying measures	1%	16,612,428	1,788,911	18,401,339
Total	100%	1,334,829,681	235,027,411	1,569,857,092
		85%	15%	

+3,300 projects

- Obj.1: +/- 3,000 projects
- Obj.2: +/-270 projects
- Obj,3: +/-70 projects

121 partner countries





Evaluation of the NSA-LA programme

Main conclusions:

- Reached the objectives and results defined in the MIPs 2007-2010 and 2011-2013.
 - Positive impact on the enabling environment of CSO and LAs and regional / continental structuring of the sector.
 - Increased structured dialogue between stakeholders. Strengthened NSA and LA networks at regional and global level have enhanced capacity to engage on international issues.
 - In EU member States, enhanced dialogue at national level and increased attention for development issues.
- Funded projects have good prospects for sustainability.
- Growing EU focus on governance and Human rights.

Main Recommendations:

- Reinforce support to actors promoting good governance and accountability.
- Reach out to other types of actors (social partners in dialogue).
- Pay more attention to the inclusion of disadvantaged and marginalised groups and to cross-cutting issues such as gender mainstreaming





Policy evolution

- Communication: *Increasing the impact of EU Development Policy: an Agenda for Change* (10/2011)
- Communication: *The future approach to EU budget support to third countries* (10/2011)
- **Communication: *The roots of democracy and sustainable development: Europe's engagement with Civil Society in external relations* (09/2012)**
- DEAR staff working paper (2012)
- **Communication: *Empowering Local Authorities in partner countries for enhanced governance and more effective development outcomes* (05/2013)**





The CSO-LA Multi-Annual Indicative Programme (MIP) 2014-2017

Priority 1: Focus on country level CSOs' and LAs' contributions to governance and development

- Enhance CSOs' contributions to governance and development processes
- Enhance LAs' contributions to governance and development processes
- A territorial approach to promote local development and social cohesion

Priority 2: Reinforcing regional and global CSO and LA networks

Priority 3: Development Education and Awareness Raising initiatives fostering citizens' awareness of and mobilization for development issues

- Concentrating on value added & complementarity
- Focusing on key global issues





Budget

Total budget for the thematic programme 2014-2020: **EUR 1.907 billion**
(+22% compared to 2007-2013)

Budget for the MIP 2014-2017: **EUR 970 million**

Indicative allocation:

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| 1. Focus on country level CSOs' and LAs' contributions to governance and development | 65-75% |
| 2. Reinforcing regional and global CSO and LA networks | 5-10% |
| 3. Development Education and Awareness Raising initiatives fostering citizens' awareness of and mobilization for development issues | 10-15% |
| Support measures and unallocated reserve | 2.5-5% |

Annual Action Programme 2014

CSO-LA AAP 2014	Budget Line 21.03.01 CSO	Budget Line 21.03.02 LA	Total	
Objective 1 - Enhance CSOs' and LAs' contributions to governance and development processes	152.025.000	14.500.000	166.525.000	67%
Objective 2 - Strengthening CSO umbrella organisations at regional, EU and global levels	24.000.000	14.800.000	38.800.000	16%
Objective 3 - Develop and support education and awareness raising initiatives fostering citizens' awareness of and mobilisation for development issues	30.000.000	6.000.000	36.000.000	14%
Accompanying measures	6.373.533,00	1.066.417,00	7.439.950	3%
Total	212.398.533	36.366.417	248.764.950	100%

Priority 1: country level

- × **66** countries covered (56 CSO, 29 LA and 19 both)
- × Allocation distribution per region:

	CSO	LA	Total
ACP (40 countries)	77.775.000	5.900.000	83.675.000
LA	0	0	0
ASIA (13 countries)	52.400.000	2.350.000	54.750.000
C ASIA (1 country)	1.000.000	0	1.000.000
Mid EAST (1 country)	1.500.000	300.000	1.800.000
ENI (11 countries)	19.350.000	5.950.000	25.300.000
	152.025.000	14.500.000	166.525.000



Priority 2: regional and global networks

× **EUR 38,800,000** (24.000.000 NSA and 14.800.000 LA).

× Main actions:

✓ **CSO: EUR 24,000,000**

✓ EUR 23,300,000: Call for proposals + direct awards

✓ EUR 700,000: CONCORD

✓ **LA: EUR 14,800,000 = FPA**

✓ CLGF

✓ AIMF

✓ CMR/PLATFORMA

✓ UCLG

✓ UCLG-A



Priority 3: DEAR

Results of the 2013 DEAR Call for proposals:

- 11 contracts will be signed under the AAP 2013 (8 CSO/ 3 LA)
- Average size of contracts: €M3-4
- Foreseen: 10 contracts under the AAP 2014 (8 CSO/2 LA)

× **EUR 36.000.000** (30.000.000 NSA and 6.000.000 LA).

× Main actions:

✓ **EUR 32.500.000: Call for proposals**

✓ CSO: EUR 26,500,000

✓ LA: EUR 6,000,000

✓ **EUR 3.500.000: direct award of 3 grants to:**

✓ GENE

✓ LAPAS (Presidence)

✓ Cercle de coopération luxembourgeoise (Presidence)



A look at the years ahead: a working hypothesis for 2015-2017 – Multiannual programming

Art 6 (3) a of the Common Implementing Rules states: *"The Commission may adopt multi-annual action programmes... in the case of recurrent actions."*

× Recurrent actions?

- "stable" AAPs over the years supporting the MIP objectives.
 - AAP's mainly implemented through Call for Proposals
- This would open the possibility to programme 2015,16 and 17 allocations in one *multi-annual action programmes* (MAAP).



A look at the years ahead: working hypothesis for 2015-2017 - MAAP (cont)

× Advantages:

- improved long term planning,
- improved predictability of funds,
- reduced number of decision procedures,
- reduced internal Commission bureaucracy

× Disadvantages: potentially less room to react to eventual sudden changes or events.

- Potential mitigation measure: foresee a certain "reserve"





A look at the years ahead: working hypothesis for 2015-2017 – FPA and subgranting

FPA's combined with subgranting?

× Advantages:

- Possibility to work with small grants, reaching grass root level players
- Simplified application procedures adapted to small grantees
- Increased responsiveness to local needs

× Disadvantages:

- Higher financial responsibility for lead actor
- Sufficient in-house management capacity needed

Food for thought and for discussion!!





Key documents

Find the NSA-LA 2007-2013 evaluation here: CISOCH

Find the complete MIP 2014-2017 here:

[https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fpfis/mwikis/aidco/images/2/2b/CSO LA MIP CSO LA 2014 2020 EN.pdf](https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fpfis/mwikis/aidco/images/2/2b/CSO_LA_MIP_CSO_LA_2014_2020_EN.pdf)





Thank you !