**«Visegrad Grants» від Міжнародного Вишеградського Фонду для спільних проектів з країнами V4**

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Міжнародний Вишеградський Фонд надає фінансування у межах конкурсу «Visegrad Grants». **Пріоритетні напрямки фінансування**: культура; науковий обмін та дослідницьке співробітництво; освіта та розвиток спроможносте; охорона навколишнього середовища; демократичні цінності та медіа; державна політика та інституційне партнерство; регіональний розвиток, підприємництво та туризм; соціальний розвиток.

**На отримання грантової підтримки мають право** неурядові організації, організації громадянського суспільства, муніципалітети та місцеві органи влади, школи та університети, а також приватні компанії або окремі громадяни.**За правилами, до проекту мають бути залучені партнери щонайменше трьох країн Вишеградської групи - V4 (Чехія, Угорщина, Польща та Словаччина).** **Отже, для подання заявок потрібно знайти партнерів серед країн Вишеградської четвірки.** Проекти можуть претендувати на фінансування за умови, що вони пов'язані з тематикою регіону V4 і мають на меті подальший розвиток співробітництва між партнерами проекту, що базуються в регіоні. Фінансовий внесок Фонду не може перевищувати 80% від загальної вартості проекту, і повинен обов'язково включати внесок заявника. Максимальний бюджет проектів: **6 000 тисяч євро**. Дедлайн: **1 грудня 2016 року (далі - англ.).**

The International Visegrad Fund founded by four countries the Czech Republic, Hungary, the Republic of Poland, and the Slovak Republic (collectively called Visegrad Group [V4] Countries annually provides small grants to organizations around the globe to facilitate and promote the development of closer cooperation among citizens and institutions in the region as well as between the V4 region and other countries.

**1. PROJECT PREPARATION** **Project partners**

Project partners are an essential part of your proposal. Their selection as well as their qualifications are equally important parts of the proposal and should reflect the nature of your cooperation. Note that the Visegrad Fund promotes multilateral cooperation and joint approaches to solving problems; we therefore pay a special attention to the consortia of applicants and partners and reserve the right to contact your project partners during our evaluation to get a better picture of the proposed project.

As a rule, participation of at least three V4 countries (“3xV4 rule”) is required in your proposal (e.g. applicant is from Czechia, his/her project partners are from Hungary and Poland, or applicant is from Ukraine, his/her project partners are from Hungary, Poland and Slovakia). However, where possible, we encourage applicants to seek a full V4 participation (all four countries are “on board”) regardless of potential non-V4 countries involved. Correspondingly, we request that applicants give reasons for not having all four countries involved.

**2. APPLICATION FORM/PROJECT PROPOSAL**

Project proposals **are accepted only electronically** through an [on-line application form](http://my.visegradfund.org/). Sample of the application form is available [here](http://visegradfund.org/?download=downloads/program_docs/ivf_program_grants_application-form-sample.pdf) (PDF). Neither the hard copies (printouts) of the form, nor of the accompanying documents are required.

**Note:**Small Grants have been renamed to [Visegrad Grants](http://my.visegradfund.org/). Applying for Visegrad Grants is possible quarterly (identical deadlines to the former Small Grants). No conditions for applying for Small Grants were changed apart from the fact that paper versions of the application form or any other accompanying documents in paper form are no longer required with the application form. Applicants are, however, requested to collect electronic copies of both letters of intent and ID documents as these may be requested at a later stage (i.e., before concluding grant contract).

**Project categories**

In general, we seek projects that display active cooperation with the following accents: sustainability, youth, innovativeness and regional relevance. Each project proposal shall also fall within one or two thematic categories that best its content and desired outcomes:

* culture and common identity
* education and capacity building
* environment
* democratic values and the media
* public policy and institutional partnerships
* scientific exchange and research cooperation
* regional development, entrepreneurship and tourism
* social development

**On-line appli­ca­tion system**

Application forms are avail­able through an on-line sys­tem at [my.visegradfund.org](http://my.visegradfund.org/). Each term is usu­ally open 30 days prior to the given dead­line. Applicants need to reg­is­ter with a valid e-mail address to start a new appli­ca­tion form. Each form is then pass­word pro­tected and can be saved and edited later. Every appli­ca­tion form has its unique 8-digit num­ber (appli­ca­tion ID#), which the appli­cants shall use in all project-related com­mu­ni­cation with the fund.

**Accom­pa­ny­ing documentation**

Applicants are requested to collect electronic versions of the following documents (scans), which may be required at a later stage:

* digital copies of let­ters of intent (see para­graph 2.5)
* digital copies of ID doc­u­ments (no older than 3 months) of the appli­cant and project part­ners (see para­graph 2.6)
* digital copies of con­fir­ma­tions about co-financing (copies or scan print­outs of doc­u­ments prov­ing other con­firmed finan­cial con­tri­bu­tions to the project from project part­ners, other donors or sponsors)

**Deadlines**

Visegrad Grants program is open for proposals quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1, and **December 1, 2016.**

Visegrad Grants (ex-Small/Standard Grants) and Strategic Grants have regular annual deadlines which are duly announced on the fund’s website.

Appli­ca­tion forms are to be sub­mit­ted on-line **by 11:59:59 CET (noon)**on given dead­line date. Hard-copy ver­sions (signed print­outs) with rel­e­vant accom­pa­ny­ing doc­u­men­ts are no longer required as part of the submitted application form at deadline; applicants are, however, advised to collect electronic letters of intent from their project partners as these documents might be requested at a later stage.

Please see the update Grant Guidelines for further information: [**http://bit.ly/2c70lv6**](http://bit.ly/2c70lv6)