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AMSC Strategy 2022-2026

Tirana, January - February 2022

The Strategy of the Agency for Civil Society Support for 2022 – 2026 recognizes and appreciates the extraordinary efforts and investments necessary to build and make more operational the work of the AMCS since its establishment as an Institution. The procedures and rules for receiving grants have already been installed and developed, focusing increasingly on the digitalization of procedures to increase efficiency in work and transparency to the public. However, from 2009 onwards, it is necessary to take new actions to establish a new level of functioning of the AMCS at a new level of improvement from both a technical and administrative point of view. The new strategy defines strategic goals for which the Supervisory Board will take responsibility for achieving.



These are:

- Goal 1: AMSC continues to establish itself as a transparent and fair organization/institution in the grant-making process, with a high-performing Supervisory Board serving the best interests of Albanian civil society.
- Goal 2: AMCS strengthens inter-institutional cooperation between government and civil society by serving as a bridge for an enabling environment for civil society
- Goal 3: AMSC strengthens the human and technical capacities of its administration and improves the digital infrastructure for funding procedures
- Goal 4: The procedures of the Civil Society Support Agency (CSSA) and the reports on the impact of projects (grant-making) are in the interest of Albanian society and vulnerable communities. Civil Society Support Agency (CSSA): Long-Term Strategy 2020-2025 3
- Goal 5: AMSC is a reliable channel for foreign donors regarding grant distribution.

Call for Expressions of Interest for Projects by the Civil Society Support Agency

Tirana, May 31, 2022

The Agency for Civil Society Support (ACSS) announces the opening of a Call for Expressions of Interest for non-profit organizations (NPOs), in the framework of supporting the sustainable development of civil society and creating favorable conditions for civic initiatives for the benefit and interest of the public. This process is carried out according to the criteria set out in Law No. 10 093, dated 09.03.2009, “On the organization and functioning of the Agency for Civil Society Support”, in accordance with its statute and mission.

This call is an opportunity for non-profit organizations to submit project proposals in priority areas determined by the Agency. The application deadline is from May 31, 2022 to July 1, 2022.

Priority Areas for Project Proposals:

1. Health and Social Services

- Psychosocial services for the post-COVID situation for vulnerable groups such as the elderly, children, and people with disabilities, including psychological, medical, and online legal counseling and therapy.
- Increased care for vulnerable groups, including those with Down syndrome, young people, victims of violence and trafficking, as well as support for minorities.
- Information and awareness-raising on the rights of young people, especially in rural areas.
- Improving social services and support for the elderly, including the provision of social services in the home.

2. The Fight Against Corruption and Legal Education of the Public

- Projects aimed at improving transparency in areas such as procurement, education, health, and law enforcement.
- Encouraging the active participation of young people in governance processes and promoting transparency in public institutions.
- Legal education of the public and involvement of civil society in the implementation of strategies for the fight against corruption.

3. Environment and Sustainable Development

- Protecting and rehabilitating the environment and strengthening capacities for managing natural emergency situations such as floods, fires and earthquakes.
- Activism and volunteerism in environmental protection.
- Protection of cultural heritage and promotion of cultural and artistic activities, such as books, cinematography and art.

4. Education and European Integration

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- Support for Albania's integration into the European Union and strengthening the capacities of new associations.
- Increasing the active participation of young people in activities that promote regional development and economic integration.
- Involving civil society in policy-making processes and public reform.

Required Documents for Application:

1. Completed application form, signed and stamped by the legal representative of the NGO.
2. Photocopies of the Court Registration Decision and the Organization's Statute.
3. Court extract and NIPT (notarized) within 3 months from the application deadline.
4. Certification from the Tax Directorate showing that the organization has no outstanding obligations for social security and health insurance contributions.
5. Bank certificate reflecting the IBAN number and account number of the Organization.
6. The Organization's CV and, in case there are activities that require a license, the relevant licensing documents.
7. Partnership Declaration/Agreement (if any).

The deadline for submitting documents is July 1, 2022. All applications must be submitted via email or in person to the offices of the Civil Society Support Agency, in accordance with the specific instructions announced.

The conference NATIONAL ABOUT Albania of the "SMART Balkans" project

Tirana, June 17, 2022

Representative from amsc part of the panel in conference national about albania of the "smart balkans" project

Representative the association of the management the service and humanism (amsch) were important part of the conference national about albania , a event keywords which was held in within the project international “smart balkans”. this project aims to view the promote value the common and the force civil society in balkans western, with focus the special in governance issues , transparency and strengthening the democracy in region .



conferences swept a greenhouse discussion and activity interactive , where representatives of civil society , organizations international law and institutions the government gathered about the review

challenge and opportunity that related to sustainable development and balkan integration west in institutions european . in this staff , amsc contributed with one presentation the profound about the importance of commitment the civil society in governance processes and influence what does this have commitment in promoting values democratic and integration regional .

during discussions , representatives of the amshc highlighted need about more lot collaboration between organization the civil society and institutions the governance , as and the importance of inclusion asset the citizen in processes decision-making . it was also emphasized role the education and establishing of the awareness civic about the strengthen faith in institutions state and about the created a environmental the sustainable about and developmental economic and social.



this event constitutes a opportunities the fine about the distributed practices more the better and about the collaborated with actors the other key in region , contributing in advancing projects that aiming a balkans west the stronger and the sustainable . for amsc , participation in this conference it was a precious opportunity about the strengthen connections international law and about the continuous the work in direction the development the civil society and support of the worth the common in region .

The meeting of the National Council for Civil Society (NCCS) is held.

Tirana, 22 June 2022

Agency ABOUT Civil Society Support is organized by Council meeting national THE Civil Society

On June 22, 2022, the Civil Society Support Agency (CSSA) organized a meeting of the National Civil Society Council in the Oval Hall on the 3rd floor of the Prime Minister's Office. The meeting was held at 3:00 PM and aimed to discuss and prepare priorities for the next call, as part of the public consultation process .



in within the activity the carried by agency about civil society support (amshc), was held a important council meeting national the civil society , where they were treated other useful about keywords that related to the advancement of civil society and strengthening cooperation between the sector national and civil society .

Monitoring Analysis THE The 2019-2023 Roadmap and the Plan action according to direction Strategic

one important part of the meeting it was fulfillment analysis of the priorities the determined in the 2019-2023 roadmap and action plan according to direction strategic. It was discussed advancing the activity and action the planned , as and needs about increasing efficiency the implementation the these priorities about the reached defined objectives .

2. Presentation the initiative about partnership about open government (ogp) and next steps the the committee

was introduced initiative about open government partnership (**ogp**) , which aims to view promoting transparency , accountability and participation civic in processes governing . they were discussed **next steps** that will undertake by committee of ogp , for the provided that this consortium the this a influence the sustainable and concrete in governance processes and the include actors the different in level country and international .

3. Presentation the law no. 36/2022 “ on organization and functioning of groups local the action " one "

Other important topic it Was **presentation the law no. 36/2022** , of what adjust organization and functioning of groups local the action . this law aims the strengthen level commitment cafeteria in governance processes and project implementation the development , with a focus the special in the involvement of civil society and actor local .

4. Need about coordination of groups the labor

was discussed about the need for coordination more the closely between group the work , to what have role in implementation of activities about supporting the priorities the roadmap 2019-2023. this coordination is the crucial about avoiding duplication the labor and about the provided that activities the be the centered and the underpinning each other in order effective .

5. Financing The Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)

Discussion the financing the organization the civil society (**csos**) it was a point other the key points of the meeting were considered . opportunity about the provided supporting more the lasting and efficient for csos , offering opportunities financing that the help organizations the carry their projects about sustainable development and engagement citizen.

6. Civil

Society Proposals were discussed other useful proposal the important the income by civil society , including :

- **Adding the a member by ministry of state about youth and children in the NSCS** : this proposal aims strengthening representation the interest the youth and children in council national the civil society .
- **Addressing the issue that related to fiscalization and taxes local about organizations non-profit** : civil society demanded that the addressed tax issue and fiscalisation about organizations non-profit , a about that matters about operation and the development of these organizations .
- **Design the a list of people placed as a point of contact about working groups in ministries relevant** : this initiative aims the improve communications and cooperation between group the labor and ministries relevant , by assigning a representative the clear about any group work .

it meeting has opened them roads discussion the profound and cooperation inter about the provided that politics and civil society projects advance in order effective , contributing in sustainable development the society and strengthening democracy and transparency in level national .

Organizohet Workshopi “Civil Society Organisations and Human Capital Development in the Context of Lifelong Learning”

Tiranë, 18 tetor 2022

directory EXECUTIVE The Agency ABOUT Civil Society Support (AMSHC), Mr. Andi Kananaj , participated IN Workshop on "Civil Society Organizations and Human Capital Development in the Context of Lifelong Learning", i ORGANIZED from the European Training Foundation (ETF). This seminar, i which was held IN an international format , there was ABOUT view THE deal the role of organizations THE civil society (CSO) in capital development human AND their integration into the processes of LEARNING long all life .



During workshop, it was emphasized the importance of recognition of csos how actors locks in education policies and development the capital human , focusing in need about the growing the impact of these organization in education policies and learning . mr. kananaj divided agency experiences about supporting civil society in albania , emphasizing that increased dialogue and cooperation among csos and institutions related is essential about the enable and developmental the sustainable and improvement the opportunities about the youth and individual in generally .

The seminar focused also in identification of spaces that needed improve and support about the provided that csos the have a role the sustainable and effective in learning policies long all life and capital development human. this event constitutes a opportunities the fine about the divided practices more the better and about the strengthen connections between civil society and institutions the education and training professional.

Public Consultation on Call Priorities No. 16

Tirana, November 8 - December 8, 2022



in implementation the law no. 10 093, dated 09.03.2009 “ on organization and operation of the agency about supporting the civil society ” ; law no. 146/2014 “ on report and public consultation ”, agency about supporting the civil society realized meeting consultation through other useful places key the republic of the albania . purpose the meetings had the had to do with the process of determining the priorities the call of the next .

The distribution was completed. HOW MORE DOWN continues :

1. Meeting realization consultative with Organizations PROFIT IN The city of Vlora IN date 08-11-2022 until IN 11-11-2022;
2. Meeting realization consultative with Organizations PROFIT IN The city of Korça IN date 14-11-2022 until 17-11-2022;
3. Meeting realization consultative with Organizations PROFIT IN The city of Saranda in on 21-11-2022 until 24-11-2022;
4. Meeting realization consultative with Organizations PROFIT IN The city of Tropoja IN date 05-12-2022 until IN 08-12-2022;

Civil Society Involvement in process decision

these meetings were a excellent opportunity about the committed civil society and about the created a dialogue of open between institutions and organization that operating in level local. discussions have been elemental about the provided that priorities about next call the support about civil society be in accordance with reality and needs concrete the community. agency about supporting the civil society is engaged about the provided a process the open, to including and the transparency , enabling a collaboration the fruitful about development of civil society in albania .

ASCS develops meeting with representatives the organization the civil society in within the academy of NGOs

Tirana, november 14, 2022

agency about civil society support ASCS has organized a meeting the important with representatives the organization the civil society in within the program the academy of ngos . this 9-month program is a dedicated initiative about directors and managers the high the organization non-profit, and has to view the increase their capacities in management organizational and sustainable development the organizations .



ngo academy is a excellent opportunity about the involvement of organizations in training and events that the enable those the improve management strategies, tighten their structures internal and the advance development processes in level organizational . during meeting, representatives of organizations the civil society discussed about needs and different challenges that they cope in their work every day , like and opportunity about the implemented practices more the better about a and developmental the sustainable and effective of ngos .

program the academy aims the create a environmental the exchange the experiences and the learned in perspective the importance of management the good and the sustainable the organization non-profit, focusing on in aspects such as financing, development the resource human , and planning strategic long-term . this program is the designed about the empowering leadership capacities of ngos , by enable those the have a influence the direct in improving services and support that offer about communities and necessary groups .

this meeting was a opportunities about the profound cooperation between agency and ngos , as and about the divided practices more the better and recommendations about the extended this initiative the important about development of civil society in albania .

The meeting of the National Council for Civil Society (NCCS) is held

Tirana, November 15, 2022

On November 15, 2022, the Civil Society Support Agency (CSSA), in its role as the technical secretariat for the National Civil Society Council, organized the meeting of the National Civil Society Council. The meeting was held in the Oval Hall on the 3rd floor of the Prime Minister's Office, and aimed to discuss and coordinate civil society activities, as well as prepare plans for further support for non-profit organizations.

The meeting brought together representatives of state institutions and civil society organizations, providing an opportunity to deepen cooperation and address the challenges and opportunities that these organizations face in the development of their activities. The discussions included important issues for increasing the capacities of civil society and its impact on policy-making processes and the sustainable development of society.

This meeting highlighted the importance of joint engagement of institutions and civil society to ensure sustainable development and greater support for civic initiatives. The Civil Society Support Agency continues to play a key role in coordinating and supporting civil society, providing a strong platform for dialogue and cooperation between different actors.

The following issues were discussed at the meeting:

- Presentation of current opportunities for cooperation between civil society and the Open Government Partnership (OGP) initiative.
- -Presentation on DG NEAR guidelines for European Union support to civil society 2021 – 2027.
- Discussions on the establishment and division of the NCSC working groups.
- Proposals for the calendar of activities of the CCC.

Meeting of the Multi-Stakeholder Committee on Open Government

Tirana, November 30, 2022

Representative the agency about civil society support (amshc) participated in the last meeting the committee multilateral about governance the opened , one important event about advancing transparency and inclusion of the civil society in governance processes . during meeting , were carried out other useful decisions keywords that affecting in improving cooperation and inclusion of the civil society in policies and government initiatives of the open . here are other useful by drops key that were discussed and were approved :



- **Approval the report the self-evaluation of the plan action for 2020-2022** : Committee Approved Report That Cherishes Achievement And The Challenges Of The 2020-2022 Period , Offering A Overview The Detailed The Progress The Done In Implementation Of The Plan The Action About Open Governance .
- **Approval the regulation of the internal the activity of the committee** : approved a new regulation that establishing procedures and internal functioning the committee , ensuring a structure the clear and efficient about activity management the his .
- **ASSIGNMENT The deadline ABOUT Committee Co - Chair** : agreed about appointment of the co-chair the the committee , of who will representations civil society (cso) in this structure . this position has a important the special about strengthening dialogue between institutions and organization the civil society .
- **deadlines about sending ideas and proposals in frame of the plan action** : committee appointed deadlines the clear about submitting ideas and proposals the new by the members of the committee , which ones will examine and are incorporated in action plan about period in continuation .

This meeting it Was one step of crucial in strengthening cooperation between actor the different the civil society and institutions state , and creates opportunities about continuous improvement the process the governance of the open in albania .

Summit for democracy AND Albania 's participation IN cohort Democracy ABOUT anticorruption

Tirana, December 5 - December 20, 2022



The Summit for Democracy is a global initiative that was first launched in 2021 by the Government of the United States of America, with President Joe Biden hosting world leaders in a landmark meeting on December 9-10, 2021. This summit aims to renew global democracy and brought together governments, authorities,

media, academia, the business sector, and Civil Society to face the challenges of the time and defend democracy as one of the most urgent tasks of the modern era.

Year of Action 2022 and the Anti-Corruption Cohort

During 2022, as part of the "Year of Action", the Summit for Democracy has launched an initiative called **Democracy Cohorts**. This process aims to bring together actions and commitments to implement the Summit's commitments in areas of common interest. One of these coalitions is the Democracy Cohort for Anti-Corruption, where Albania is one of the partner countries. This Cohort will bring together governments and authorities that demonstrate political will to fight corruption and will also include civil society organizations that contribute with constructive criticism and concrete activities in this area.

The Anti-Corruption Cohort will be co-led by governments and various authorities, as well as civil society representatives, creating opportunities for fruitful dialogue and collaboration between civil society actors, the private sector, philanthropic partners, academics, and government decision-makers.

Call for Applications: Civil Society Representatives in the Democracy Cohort for Anti-Corruption

In order to enable Albania to make a significant contribution to the Summit for Democracy and the Anti-Corruption Cohort, the Albanian Government invites all civil society organizations to submit applications for the 3 vacant Albanian representative positions from the NGO sector. The application criteria are as follows:

- Civil Society Organizations must be registered in accordance with Albanian law.
- They must not be branches of an international organization operating in Albania.
- The organization's activities must transcend local and regional interests, and contribute to advancing the fight against corruption in Albania.
- Organizations must have at least 5 years of documented experience in activities related to the fight against corruption, including monitoring, activism, advocacy and research.

Required documentation for application:

- Updated portfolio of expertise.
- Five (5) letters of support from other organizations supporting the candidate.
- Motivation letter.
- Projects, publications, reports, court decisions and other evidence of activity in the fight against corruption for at least 5 years.

The deadline for submitting applications has been extended until 07.01.2023.

Evaluation of applications and announcement of winners

Applications will be evaluated based on the submitted documentation and the winners will be announced on the official website of the Agency for Civil Society Support: www.amshc.gov.al.

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