
2022 Civil Society Fellowships How To Make Your Application

Webinar Agenda:

- 2 types of Fellowships - which one for me?
- Success factors for a Fellow
- The Application process
- Q & A

Eastern Partnership Civil Society Facility in a Nutshell

Objective: to strengthen the role and increase the capacity of CSOs and activists in the EaP region to:

- engage in policy making processes and policy dialogue,
- promote reforms and public accountability,
- foster local democracy, local development and engage citizens in public debate.

Implemented by a consortium led by GDSI Limited (Ireland)

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Timeline: June 2021 – December 2024

Website: <http://eapcivilsociety.eu/>

01

Capacity building activities

Courses, trainings, webinars, coaching and mentoring for civil society

02

Civil society fellowships

Community engagement fellowships and civic digital fellowships

03

Civil society hackathons and civic tech activities

Annual ideathons and hackathons, development of digital solutions

04

Civil society networking and ad-hoc support

Regional networking, relevant regional and international events and helpdesk for EU grantees

05

Country specific communication campaigns

Communication campaigns to improve the public image of civil society

06

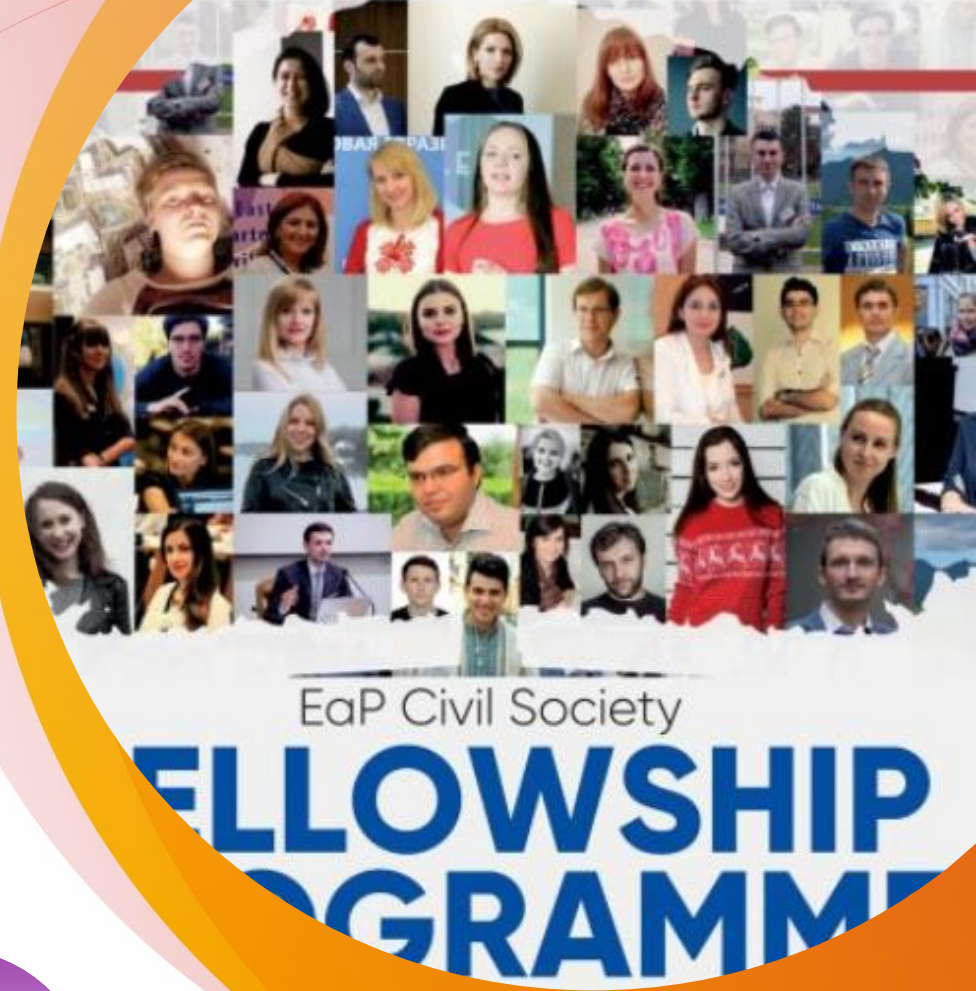
Mappings, analyses, studies and research

To contribute to the EU's better understanding of CS

Two Types of Fellowship, But One Set of Benefits

Every selected Fellow will benefit from:

- Financial support – approx. 5000 euros
- Training & coaching
- Networking opportunities
- Joining the Fellowship alumni





Community Engagement Fellowships

Civic Digital Fellowships

Community Engagement Fellowships

We're looking for activists who can demonstrate a deep commitment to leading positive social change in their communities and who have plans to contribute to that change through:

- **Involvement in policy-making (national or local)**
- **Collecting local evidence**
- **Involvement in monitoring public administration**
- **Capacity development**
- **Improvement of CSO accountability and link to constituencies**
- **Strengthening cooperation between CSOs**





Civic Digital Fellowships

We are looking for civically minded individuals who want to use their expertise to contribute to, develop or further promote and raise awareness about **technological solutions for community needs**.

The Fellowships are designed to support Fellows engaging in:

01

Advocacy campaigns

Open data, data quality, e-services for citizens, budgetary transparency,..

02

Data and its quality

Making existing data machine-readable, generating & publishing new data,..

03


Developing new civic tech solutions

Community needs, governments' accountability, improvement of public services,..

04

Promoting & expanding existing civic tech solutions

and building the relevant skills of the potential users



Are You A Potential Fellow?

- ☐ Citizen of an EaP country
 - ☐ Good English
 - ☐ 18+ years old
- ☐ Not previously an EaP Fellow
 - ☐ Proven track record and
- ☐ **A great idea for how your Fellowship will contribute to change**



Victoria ISAC
Moldova

“*Fellowship was an opportunity to develop educational conditions for students and teachers in my community.*”



Suren GALSTYAN
Armenia

“

*This programme
helped me advance
the rights and well-
being of women and
children in my
country.*

”



Denys ANDRUSHCHENKO
Ukraine

“

When Citizens start to cooperate, it leads to a new level of opportunities and trust in society.

”



Mariam KHUROSHVILI
Georgia

“

*EaP fellowship was
a breakthrough in
my life offering
regional networks
for a lifetime.*

”

The Application Process

Only selected Concepts move to step 4 & 5

01

Read the [Guidelines](#)

02

Prepare a Concept Note

03

Submit Your Concept Online

04

Use the Incubation Period to Develop Your Full Application

05

Submit Full Application & Supporting Documents

Preparing a Winning Concept Note

- **Make sure you are eligible and have the proof documents (which you'll need to upload during the Full Application stage)**
- **Complete the Concept Note online in English and upload your CV - don't miss any sections!**
- **Be clear on your achievements, demonstrate your leadership potential, and tell us your personal development ambitions**
- **Applications which contribute to the goals of 2022 European Year of Youth will get bonus points!**

Evaluation of Concept Notes

Experience & Motivation of Applicant	Score
Experience contributing to civil society, or relevant technical experience for Civic Digital Fellowships, and demonstrated leadership (0-3 points)	
Motivation to be a Fellow (0-3 points)	
Purpose of the Fellowship	Score
Area of Fellowship is relevant to applicant's experience (0-3 points)	
Outcome is clear, achievable, and Fellowship justified (0-3 points)	
Beneficiaries are relevant for the Fellowship (0-3 points)	
The Fellowship responds to the annual theme of the EaP Civil Society Facility, as described above (Yes = 1 point; No = 0 points)	
Total Score	/16

Is Your Fellowship Concept Really A Good Idea???

Make sure the purpose of your Fellowship fits the priority themes and types of action

Is your proposed Fellowship needed?
What difference will it make?
Who will benefit?
How will they benefit?

From Concept Note To Full Application

1. Successful Concept Note applicants will be informed of their selection by email and **provided with an online link** to open a Full Application
2. During the **Incubation Period** (October-November 2022) you will be working on your Full Application.
3. Two Coordinators will be in touch with you to help:
 - Olena Medvedenko (Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova)
 - Mariam Khuroshvili (Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan)
4. Choose **ONE clear purpose** for your Fellowship project

*Use the
Incubation Period
to develop your
Fellowship project*

Objective

Have a clear and well-justified objective for your Fellowship project (dream but set a realistic goal that can be achieved in less than 8 months)

For example: It is not feasible for your Fellowship to create national legislation, but it can contribute through research and advocacy

“To support a campaign to advocate adopting the draft ‘Law of Ukraine on Public Consultations’ and it's implementation”

Could developing an app be an objective?

If Your Concept Note Is Selected, You'll Need To Develop A Full Application

- Re-read the Guidelines to learn how to complete the Full Application
- Design a set of **activities** which will achieve your Fellowship **objective** and include a list of concrete outputs
- The proposed **budget** for your Fellowship project should be itemized, based on real costs, and clearly fit the activities (budget template will be provided)
- Don't forget to upload all supporting documents (passport, nomination and/or other reference letters, EN proof)!

Timeline

09 September

- 2nd Call for 2022 Fellowships Open

21 September

- 'Live' Info Session Webinar

15 October

- Closure for 2022 Concept Notes

Incubation Phase: October-November

01 December

- Closure for 2022 Full Applications

End of December

- Fellowships Awarded

Implementation Phase: January-August 2023

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Questions about eligibility

- Is there an age limit?
- Which countries are targeted?
- Can I apply for both types of Fellowship?
- Can I apply through my organisation?

Questions about the application process

- Can I complete a Concept Note form 'offline' and submit?
- How long should my responses on the Concept Note be?
- Do I need to submit supporting documents with my Concept Note?
- What happens after the Concept Note?
- If my Concept Note is not selected, can I delete my registration and start again?

Don't forget to check out the
top tips
and **FAQs**
on the web site:
www.eapcivilsociety.eu

*Any
questions?*

Best wishes for your application!

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