

Introduction

Welcome to an update on funding opportunities for Ukraine's sustainable and modern recovery. The document was produced within the framework of the Bridges of Trust project by the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR). You will find information on 5 calls for proposals open to local and regional governments. Each call outlines eligibility criteria, available funding amounts, and application deadlines. We invite CEMR member associations to disseminate the calls for proposals amongst "Bridges of Trust" municipal partnerships. We aim to contribute to the tangible progress and sustainability of local communities by providing local authorities in Ukraine with this comprehensive info support.

1. Central European Initiative (CEI) – Cooperation Fund Call for Proposals

The CEI invites member countries, including Ukraine, to apply to the Cooperation Fund for innovative actions that favour mobility and networking. Proposals need to focus on capacity building by transferring and sharing know-how. The overall budget of this Call for Proposals is 442,000€ and is targeted towards **public and private institutions**, NGOs/CSOs and international organisations.

Deadline: September 10, 2024, 11:59 (midnight) CEST.

For more information: contact this email: applications.coopfund@cei.int or visit the website here.

2. The Canada Fund for Local Initiatives – Ukraine (2024)

The CFLI is a program designed to support small-scale and high-impact projects. The program is directed at projects designed predominantly by local partners. The small projects between CAD \$30,000-\$50,000 are selected and approved by the Embassy of Canada to Ukraine. Eligible recipients include notably **municipal, regional or national government institutions** or agencies of the recipient country working on local projects. All projects must align with at least 1 of the following CFLI thematic priorities:

- Supporting the objectives of Ukraine's Peace Formula and Canada's Women, Peace and Security agenda
- Veterans
- Strengthening Ukrainian Identity with a View Towards Social Cohesion

Deadline: 14 July 2024 at 23:59 (UTC+3)

For more information contact: KYIVGR@international.gc.ca, or visit the website here.

3. Building the Future of Ukraine Logistics and Export - USAID

The purpose of this Annual Program Statement (APS) is to solicit applications for grant funding to support two critical objectives of Ukraine's economic recovery:

- Agricultural export and logistics capacity, with a focus on grain trade
- Improving Ukraine's export infrastructure, technology and processes along its western borders.

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USAID ERA is **seeking partners among government entities**, NGOs, research and educational institutions, etc.

Deadline: Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis during the term of this APS (March 1 – August 31, 2024)

For more information: contact this email: Grants_ERA@dai.com, or visit the website here

4. Standard Action Projects (SAPs) for circular economy and quality of life - EU

Projects aim to facilitate the transition toward a sustainable, circular, toxic-free, energy-efficient/climate-resilient economy and toxic-free environment, as well as to protect, restore and improve the quality of the environment. The specific objective is to cover one or more of the following topics: Circular Economy and Waste, Air, Water, Soil, Noise, Chemicals, and a new European Bauhaus. You can find here a detailed list of priority activities for each theme to guide you in the preparation of a project.

Deadline: 19 September 2024, 18:00 CET.

For more information: contact the national contact point and further details on <u>this website</u>. More information about the fund is <u>here</u> as well.

5. INSPIRE Financial Support to Third Parties (FSTP) Call

INSPIRE aims to boost the deployment of technology and actions for detection, collection and prevention of litter, including macro- and microplastics, in European rivers. For that, INSPIRE is seeking to select **proposals from local and regional authorities** from Associated Regions (AR) and manage the FSTP for scaling up, replication and exploitation of the lessons learnt from the project use cases. A total budget of 500k EUR is allocated to the INSPIRE FSTP Call to fund the participation of at least 5 projects.

Deadline: 29 November 2024, 17:00 CET.

For more information: contact this email: <u>inspire-project@vliz.be</u>, or visit the <u>website here</u>, a webinar will be organized on July 1st 2024 from 11:00 to 11:45 (register here).

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