



**Call for Applications under  
2018 EaP Civil Society Fellowships  
Supporting Young Civil Society Leaders in Eastern Partnership Countries**

**Frequently Asked Questions**

Question		Answer
<b>1</b>	I work at a governmental organization, but I have experience with NGOs. Am I eligible to take part in your Civil Society Leadership Programme?	The eligibility criteria listed in section 5.1 of the Guidelines for fellowship applicants do not restrict participation based on employment status or an employment organisation. If a young activist takes a leading role in his/her community by advancing issues related to health, environment, social development, transparency, etc. in one form or another, he/she is considered eligible for the programme.
<b>2</b>	I would like to inquire if it is possible and permitted to develop a small project proposal? In the case of an affirmative answer, what will be the form of administering the given amount? Would you proceed with the payments for activities or a fellow?	The requested information about project/action is presented in Section 6.1. and 6.2 of the Guidelines for fellowship applicants: <a href="http://fellowships.eapcivilsociety.eu/files/EaP%202018%20Call%20for%20Fellowship%20Applications%20Guidelines.pdf">http://fellowships.eapcivilsociety.eu/files/EaP%202018%20Call%20for%20Fellowship%20Applications%20Guidelines.pdf</a> The payment of fellowship to successful applicants will be arranged in accordance with point 4.4 of the fellowship contract (see Annex E to the Guidelines to fellowship applicants).
<b>3</b>	In addition to a nomination/ recommendation letter, do I need to provide a letter of support from the host organization or mentor (proving that host organization is ready for mentoring)? Are there special formats for such letters?	The application form must be supported by a letter of recommendation from a CSO that you are affiliated with or a local community member.  The arranged internship can be described in your Action proposal. There is no requirement to submit a letter from a host organisation to confirm an arranged internship.
<b>4</b>	When should a proposed Action commence and finish?	The implementation of each proposed Action can begin in May-June 2018 or later. The proposed Action must be completed before December 2018.
<b>5</b>	I am highly motivated to participate in the fellowship program. Currently, I am not working at a CSO/Trade Union or professional association. For more than 4 years I had been volunteering at the YATA (Youth Atlantic Treaty Association) and I had the position of Secretary	A community activist who works for the benefit of his/her community and introduces positive changes in the community is eligible for this Fellowship (see Section 5.1.5.b of the Guidelines for fellowship applicants).



	General. So, I am a person who supports civil activism in the democratic process. I wonder if I could be eligible to apply for the fellowship?	
<b>6</b>	According to "Eligibility of Costs", travel and accommodation expenses are covered by the fellowship. Will I need to send receipts for daily food expenses or is there a standard daily allowance I should use in my funding request? Where can I find recommended daily rates by country?	The It is an applicant responsibility to estimate and double check the cost of living and local travel if required. It is expected that an applicant, as a potential leader, can plan the usage of the available resources effectively.
<b>7</b>	As it is mentioned in the Guidelines, for capacity building activities an applicant can make arrangements (internship) with a relevant host organization. Can I work under the supervision of a mentor or organization from Norway? If yes, can my host in Norway be a government research institute or solely an NGO?	Yes, it is up to an applicant to make preliminary arrangements. A training course/ mentoring, etc. can be arranged with any type of organisation. In this case it is important to justify the selection in the proposal and application form: why a specific organisation is selected and how this course/mentoring will contribute to the implementation of the fellow's action and affect the fellow's leadership skills.
<b>8</b>	Can the Fellowship budget cover my personal expenses? Do I have a right to a stipend?	The categories of costs that are eligible and non-eligible are indicated in Section 5.3 of the Guidelines to applicants. A stipend (fee) for fellows is not foreseen.
<b>9</b>	I would like to inquire if there are any exceptions in terms of the age limit to participate in the 2018 EaP Civil Society Fellowship?	According to eligibility criteria listed in the section 5.1 of the guidelines to applicants, a fellowship applicant should be between 18 and 36 years old.
<b>10</b>	I'm from East Africa. Do I qualify to apply for the fellowship?	According the published Guidelines for Applicants (eligibility criteria) the programme is designed for the residents of EaP countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Ukraine, Georgia and Moldova).
<b>11</b>	Should the fellowship cover only one country or is it possible to visit organizations in 2 states?	The proposed Action can include a visit to a number of countries, but you have to explain in your Action proposal how the visit to these countries would be beneficial for the development of your leadership skills. Applicants must keep in mind that the maximum amount of the financial support is 5000 EUR.