

## **Media freedom and investigative journalism - Call for Proposals**

- Opening: 18 July 2019

- Closing: 27 September 2019

The European Union is making EUR 4.175 million available for Actions aiming at supporting media freedom and investigative journalism.



European Commission

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The EU published a Call for Proposals for Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions conducting the following actions:

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**Action 1 - Pilot Project: A Europe-wide response mechanism for violation of press and media freedom**

The Europe-wide rapid response mechanism for violations of press and media freedom will be geared at mitigating the consequences of the recently observed deterioration of press and media freedom in certain EU Member States and Candidate Countries. It will provide tangible protection for journalists and will encompass fact-finding, advocacy, monitoring, informing the European public and awareness raising. This action will bring violations to the forefront, and will provide practical help to journalists under threat. It will be carried out in collaboration with European, regional and local stakeholders in the field of media freedom.

This action is expected to support the activities of **one consortium** of organisations working together to uphold media freedom and safety of journalists in the EU and Candidate Countries.

Total budget for Action 1: **1.500.000 €**

**Action 2 - Preparatory Action: cross-border investigative journalism fund**

The action will fund grants supporting journalistic investigations involving journalists from at least two countries covered by the action, thereby highlighting issues of common interest to citizen of several Member States and strengthening the European media sphere. This preparatory action will build on the 'European research grants for journalistic investigations, #IJ4EU' project.

This action is expected to fund activities of one consortium of organisations.

Total budget for Action 2: **1.400.000 €**

**Action 3 - Pilot Project: Supporting investigative journalism and media freedom in the EU**

The projects to be selected under Action 3 are expected to set up a range of supporting activities. They will be geared at providing support to independent, collaborative journalism in the EU Member States and at promoting media freedom across the EU. The action will also help raising awareness of the importance of media freedom, quality and ethical journalism for democracy.

The call for proposals aims at selecting three to five beneficiaries/consortia to carry out Action 3.

Total budget for Action 3: **1.275.000 €**

**Total budget available for the three actions: 4.175.000 €**

Maximum co-financing rate: 90% of eligible costs.

Duration of the action: one year.

Questions for this call should be sent at the latest on 18 September 2019 to CNECT-I1-CALLS@ec.europa.eu.

The questions and answers were published, anonymously, on this page.

Details of the selected projects are available from the media freedom project page.

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