

Technical Assistance to the Central Finance and Contracts Unit for the Management of Civil Society Development Grant Scheme

Client: Ministry of Finance of Bulgaria, Central Finance and Contracts Unit

Duration: October 2007 – December 2009

Location: Bulgaria



The objective of the project is to support the civil society and strengthen the rule of law and the stability of democracy, raising the capacity of the civil society by enhancing its participation in the accession process, promoting the citizens' voice, partnership with the public bodies and ensuring access of minority groups to public services and the labour market.

The most important tasks in the project are:

- Provision of technical assistance for the implementation of a Grant Scheme with three lots to support the long-term aim to strengthening NGOs to undertake activities that contribute to enhancing the civil society sector in Bulgaria
- Implementation of about 100 projects of different scope (national, regional, community based) by non-profit organizations in accordance with the priorities of the programme and the implemented research
- Organisation and implementation of a national annual Congress of NGOs for about 1000 participants, to become a regular annual event for the third sector
- Implementation of a training and capacity building programme for NGOs by training NGO representatives to improve their skills and capacity to programme, manage, monitor and evaluate EU projects and programmes.