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# 1. What is the EYF?

- A Fund set up in 1972 to provide financial support for European youth activities
- A Division in the Council of Europe's Directorate of Democratic Citizenship and Participation
- Annual budget: approximately 3 million Euros
- Some 300 grants per year





# How the EYF works

- Online registration, grant application, report
- Streamlined application/report forms
- More simplified communication (online)
- Modern, user-friendly website
- More information on NGOs/projects





## How the EYF works (contd)

- Online application assessment
- Communication between NGO and EYF
- Secretariat recommendation to PC
- PC decision communicated to NGO
- Contract signed – first payment
- Activity and financial report – second payment
- Possible third payment for work plan







# Our approach

- ✓ Meaning
- ✓ Focus on content and methodology
- ✓ 2-way communication
- ✓ Believe in: sharing. visibility. win-win.





## 2. What can the EYF support?

- International activities
- Work plans
- Structural grants
- Pilot activities





Human Rights and  
Democracy



Youth policy  
development



Intercultural  
Dialogue



Youth work in  
post-conflict situations



Social Inclusion  
and Social Rights  
of Young People





# International activity

- International/European meetings
- Promote participation and intercultural learning
- Involve participants from at least **7** member states
- 75 % of participants are under the age of 30
- Have a multiplier effect
- Run by an international team (**4 nationalities**)
- Have at least **4 working days**
- At least **one third** of the cost is covered by other sources
- Organised by an international youth NGO or network
- Or by a national NGO with partners from 3 other countries
- Maximum grant: **€ 20,000**





# Work plan

- Comprising e.g. international seminar, campaign, publications, local events
- Explain rationale and link between different parts
- Clear link with CoE youth priorities
- Presented by an international youth NGO or network
- Maximum grant: **€50,000**





# Structural grant

- ❑ **2-year grant** (confirmed after one year)
- ❑ International non-governmental youth organisations and networks with a European co-ordination structure
- ❑ Based on strategic longer-term programme
- ❑ Must have grants for **3 international activities during previous 3 years**
- ❑ Maximum annual grant: **€ 25,000**







# One-off structural grant

- **One-off grant (non renewable)**
- Regional youth NGO/network establishing a European co-ordination body
- Active in at least 4 and not more than 6 countries
- Must have grants for **3 international activities during previous 3 years**
- Maximum one-off grant: **€ 10,000**





# Pilot activities

- ❖ National/regional/local youth NGOs
- ❖ Priority to local NGOs in co-operation with international NGO
- ❖ Addressing a contextual societal challenge
- ❖ Clear links to local context
- ❖ Linked to focused themes of CoE youth programme
- ❖ Priority to young people trained in EYCs
- ❖ Maximum grant: **€ 10,000**







## 3. Who can apply?

TYPE OF ORGANISATION	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
International youth NGO	Members/branches in <b>≥7 CoE</b> member states* (main office/seat and 7 other countries)
International network of youth NGOs	<b>≥7 youth NGOs</b> in <b>7</b> different <b>countries</b> (applicant organisation + 6 other NGOs in different CoE member countries*)
Regional network of youth NGOs	Present in <b>≥4 and not more than 6 countries</b> (applicant NGO + 3 to 5 other NGOs in different CoE member countries*)
National youth NGO	Based in CoE member state* at <b>national level</b>
Local youth NGO	Based in CoE member state* at <b>local level</b>

\* Statute of the European Youth Foundation

**Article 3 – Participation by Contracting Parties to the European cultural Convention, not members of the Council of Europe:** Any Contracting Party to the European Cultural Convention which is not a member of the Council of Europe may be invited by a decision of the Committee of Ministers to participate in the activities of the Foundation.



## 4. How to apply?

Go to the EYF website

<http://eyf.coe.int>

Register online





## 5. When to apply?

<b>1 April</b>	International activity	for 1st half following year
	Work plan	for following year
<b>1 October</b>	International activity	for 2nd half following year
	Work plan	for following year
	One-off structural grant	for following year
<b>1 October 2013</b>	2-year Structural grant	for 2014 - 2015

The next deadline for a 2-year structural grant is 1 October 2015, for the years 2016-2017.



# Who is who in the EYF

- **Mr Jean-Claude LAZARO** Head of the EYF
- **Ms Karen PALISSER** in charge of projects and reporting
- **Ms Marilyn HORST** general information, registration and finance
- **Ms Eva LEHMANN** assessment of grant applications and reports
- **Ms Maria-Diana PREDOSANU** web content developer
- **Ms Sandrine JOUSSE** administrative assistant



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**THANK YOU**  
**for YOUR attention**