

**ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS**  
**of European Commission Delegation in South Africa**  
**on behalf of the Republic of South Africa**

**I. Basic act and Financing Source**

**1) Call for Proposals: Justice & Constitutional Rights – CSO Support Programme**

Regulation (EC) No 1905/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 establishing a financing instrument for development cooperation .

Financing Source: BL: BGUE-B2008-21.060200-C1-AIDCO

Financing Agreement: SA/21.060200 -02-08 signed on 27.02.2009

**2) Call for Proposals - Youth Empowerment Programme (YEP)**

Regulation (EC) No 1905/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 establishing a financing instrument for development cooperation .

Financing Source: BL: BGUE -B2009-21.060200-C1-AIDCO

Financing Agreement: DCI-AFS/2008/020-372 still to be signed

**II. Objectives of the programme, priorities for 2009 and expected results**

**1) Call for Proposals: Justice & Constitutional Rights – CSO Support Programme**

The Global Objective of the Call is to support CSO actions to strengthen democracy in South Africa. The specific objectives of the Call are to: (1) Promote advocacy actions related to access to justice and constitutional rights, focusing on vulnerable and marginalised groups; (2) Support, strengthen and deepen participatory governance and democratic accountability and; (3) Improve CSOs' skills and capacity to engage with Government and their constituencies to achieve the promotion of access to justice and constitutional rights.

Actions foreseen but not limited to are: capacity building; lobbying; advocacy / awareness - raising; networking initiatives / establishing or strengthening networks; debate / discussion / dialogue; litigation; and research actions. The expected results are the following:

*Promote advocacy actions related to access to justice and constitutional rights*

- Improved access to justice particularly in townships and rural areas
- Improved restorative justice mechanisms / network
- Improved knowledge of, and opportunity to exercise, rights guaranteed in the Constitution, including, but not limited to the right to equality, freedom of expression, freedom of association, citizenship and political rights.
- Improved realization of constitutional rights for vulnerable and marginalised groups including, but not limited to women, migrants, prisoners and children including children in conflict with the law.

*Support, strengthen and deepen participatory governance and democratic accountability*

- Strengthened democratic governance through debate and discussion, lobbying and advocacy;
- Improved ability and capacity of watchdog organisations to monitor Government accountability;
- Increased quality and quantity of public debates on issues contributing to democratic governance;
- Better utilisation of existing mechanisms for public participation, such as public hearings and the petitions process in Parliament and Provincial Legislatures; and the creation of new mechanisms for public participation.

*Improve CSOs' skills and capacity to engage with Government and their constituencies to achieve the promotion of access to justice and constitutional rights*

- Improved capacity of CSOs to lobby Government;
- Improved capacity – including research actions - of CSOs to engage in advocacy actions to promote access to justice and / or promote constitutional rights;
- Increased utilisation of the media (print, electronic etc) for the purpose of lobbying and advocacy.

Actions foreseen but not limited to are: Capacity building; Lobbying; Advocacy / Awareness -raising; Networking initiatives / establishing or strengthening networks; Debate / discussion / dialogue; Litigation and Research actions.

## **2) Call for Proposals – Youth Empowerment Programme (YEP)**

The overall objective of the call is to ensure that youth are included as drivers in social and economic development in South Africa and other African countries. The expected results comprise the following:

- Youth in poor communities has improved access to cultural activities/heritage, including indigenous knowledge systems.
- Training modules for youth in the field of culture have been developed and implemented.
- The capacities and networks of culture organisations targeting the youth have been re-enforced/established in South Africa

Activities will mainly consist of support through grants to community based projects/initiatives from civil society organisations mainly active in the field of culture and arts, but also those including a linkage to sports. The following priorities of the Department of Arts and Culture will notably be targeted: juvenile offenders, youth and arts, human settlement and beautification of public spaces, people with disabilities and early childhood development.

## **III. Eligibility conditions**

### **1) Call for Proposals: Justice & Constitutional Rights – CSO Support Programme**

In order to be eligible for a grant, applicants must:

- be legal persons or an entity without legal personality **and**
- be non profit making **and**
- be specific types of organisations such as: be registered civil society organisations based in the Republic of South Africa including non -governmental organisations, think tanks, research institutions, and independent foundations **and**
- be nationals of a Member State of the European Union or the Republic of South Africa **and**
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with their partners, not acting as an intermediary **and**
- be able to demonstrate to have regularly carried out activities in the field of development of the kind covered by this programme.

### **2) Call for Proposals - Youth Empowerment Programme (YEP)**

In order to be eligible for a grant, applicants must:

- be legal persons or an entity without legal personality **and**
- be non profit making **and**
- be specific types of organisations such as: be registered Non -State Actors / civil society organisations based in the Republic of South Africa including non -governmental organisations, think tanks, research institutions, and independent foundations **and**
- be nationals of a Member State of the European Union or the Republic of South Africa **and**
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with their partners, not acting as an intermediary **and**
- be able to demonstrate to have regularly carried out activities in the field of arts and culture of the kind covered by this programme.

#### **IV. Selection and award criteria**

##### **1) Call for Proposals : Justice & Constitutional Rights – CSO Support Programme**

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the Practical Guide to contract procedures for EC external actions .

##### **2) Call for Proposals - Youth Empowerment Programme (YEP)**

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the Practical Guide to contract procedures for EC external actions.

#### **V. Maximum rate of Community financing**

##### **1) Call for Proposals : Justice & Constitutional Rights – CSO Support Programme**

No grant may exceed 80% of the total eligible costs of the proposed budget. The balance of minimum 20% must be financed from the applicant's or partners' own resources, or from sources other than the European Community budget or the European Development Fund.

##### **2) Call for Proposals - Youth Empowerment Programme (YEP)**

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#### **VI. Schedule of calls for proposals**

##### **1) Call for Proposals : Justice & Constitutional Rights – CSO Support Programme**

The Call will be published May/June 2009. The deadline for the submission of the application form will be 90 days after publication .

##### **2) Call for Proposals - Youth Empowerment Programme (YEP)**

The Call will be published in September/October 2009 . The deadline for the submission of the application form will be 90 days after publication.

**VII. Indicative amount of calls for proposals**

**1) Call for Proposals: Justice & Constitutional Rights – CSO Support Programme**

Total Amount available: EUR 4,5 M

**2) Call for Proposals - Youth Empowerment Programme (YEP)**

Total Amount available: EUR 3 M