One of the main aims of EU external relations is to PREVENT CONFLICTS AND BUILD PEACE WORLDWIDE.

To assist governments and civil organisations in achieving these aims, funding is provided through the new Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP).

**From 2007 to 2014 IcSP was called the Instrument for Stability.**

IcSP focuses on:

- Crisis response
- Conflict prevention
- Peace building
- Crisis preparedness
- Addressing global and trans-regional threats

**The Peace-building Partnership**

Provides support for long-term measures aimed at building and strengthening pre- and post-conflict capacity of the EU and its partners.

**Peace-building partnership funding went to around 140 projects.**

- 20% to International and (Sub) Regional organisations
- 53% to Civil Society actors
- 19% to Member State bodies
- 5% to European Police Services Training (EUPST)

**European Police Services Training (EUPST)**

The project builds the capacity of police services from EU and non-EU countries to take part in stabilization missions in countries emerging from conflict situations.

All activities aim to ensure the full respect of human and individual rights, consideration of gender issues, and the protection of minorities and other vulnerable groups.

In 2013, training sessions targeted 139 police officers from 42 countries, including 50 officers from 15 African countries.

**Zimbabwe**

EU support funded 12 local civil society organisations that supported local structures for conflict management, mediation and reconciliation in the regions, especially during the 2013 elections. The programme also aimed to increase women’s participation in peacebuilding processes at grassroots level in Zimbabwe.

**Timor-Leste**

Funding was provided for an early warning and early response system, which has reinforced community preparedness and access to emergency services. Community mechanisms have been strengthened and local civil society organisations have developed and strengthened their capacities for social advocacy, dialogue and institutional engagement with justice bodies and public services.

**Useful Links**


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