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# Good Governance for Cohesion Policy



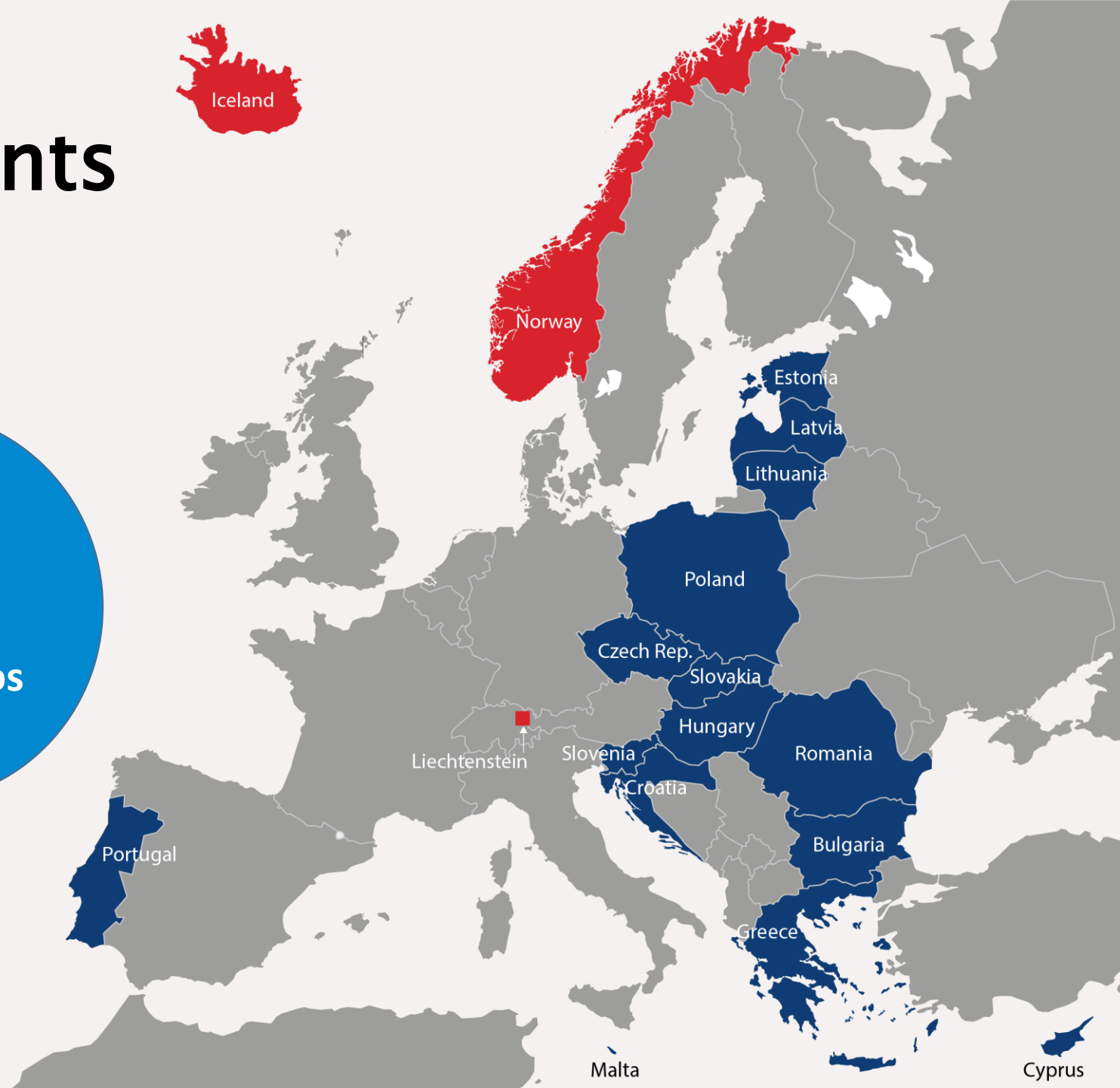
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- DHOM Ambassador Ingrid Schulerud

# EEA & Norway Grants

**15**  
countries

**2.8**  
billion euros

**2014-2021**



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# Priority sector 4: Culture, Civil Society, Good Governance and Fundamental Rights



# Preamble in all MOUs:

*The enhanced co-operation between the Donor States and the Beneficiary State will contribute to securing a stable, peaceful and prosperous Europe, based on good governance, democratic institutions, the rule of law, respect for human rights and sustainable development.*





# Supporting civil society



The NGO capacity building programme implemented in Greece turned out to be the most comprehensive such programme conducted in the country to date, resulting in improved organisational capacity in 95% of the project promoter NGOs.”

Sotiris Laganopoulos, Bodossaki Foundation  
(Fund Operator in Greece 2009-2014)



## What is the Active Citizens Fund?

Support to civil society is a key priority for Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway in the EEA and Norway Grants. An Active Citizens Fund funded by the three donors will be established in each of the 15 beneficiary countries of the Grants. The objective is to develop the long-term sustainability and capacity of civil society organisations (CSOs) and the civil society sector as a whole, with the aim of strengthening its role in contributing to policy and systemic change, promoting democratic participation and active citizenship.



[www.activecitizensfund.org](http://www.activecitizensfund.org)

[www.eeagrants.org](http://www.eeagrants.org)

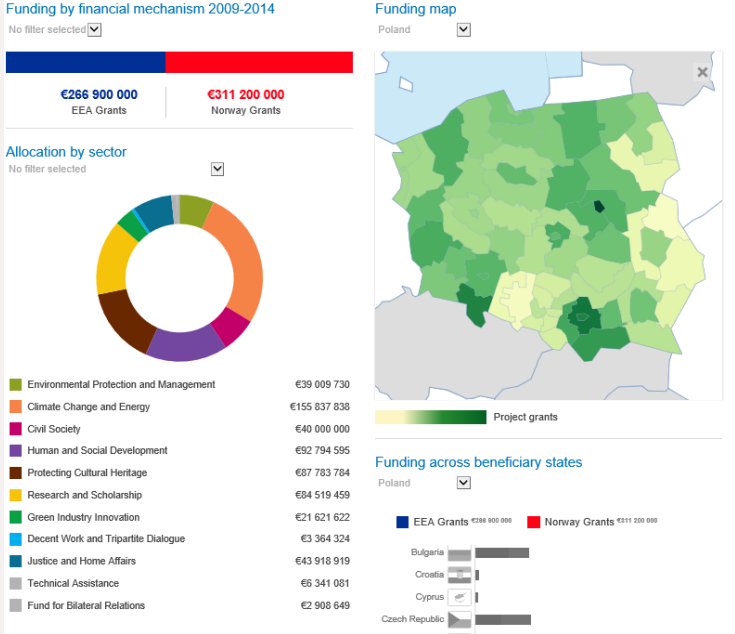
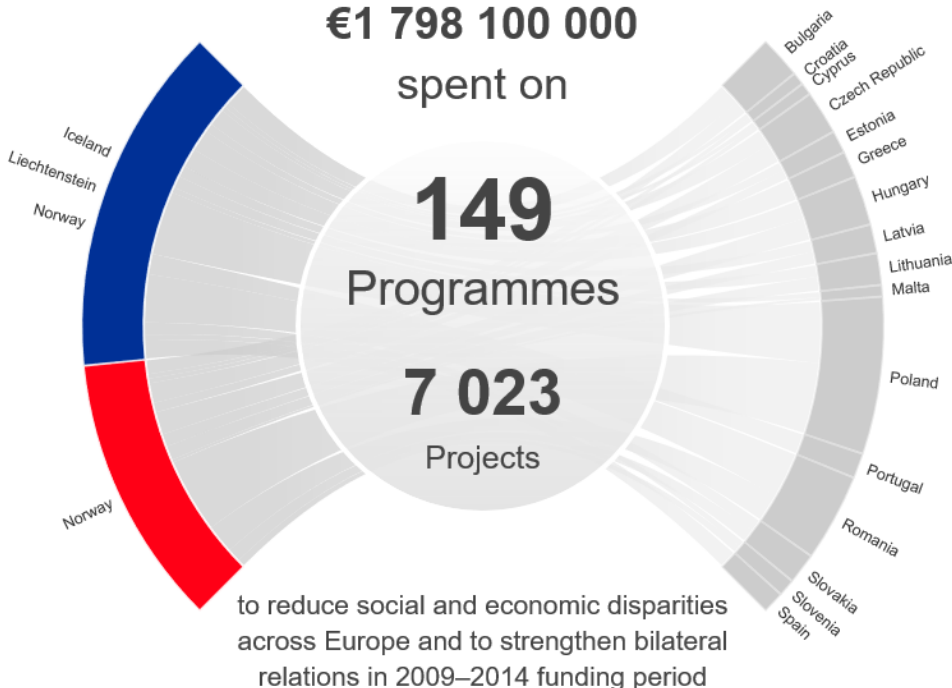
EEA Norway Grants

Iceland   
Liechtenstein   
Norway **Active citizens fund**

# Stakeholder consultations



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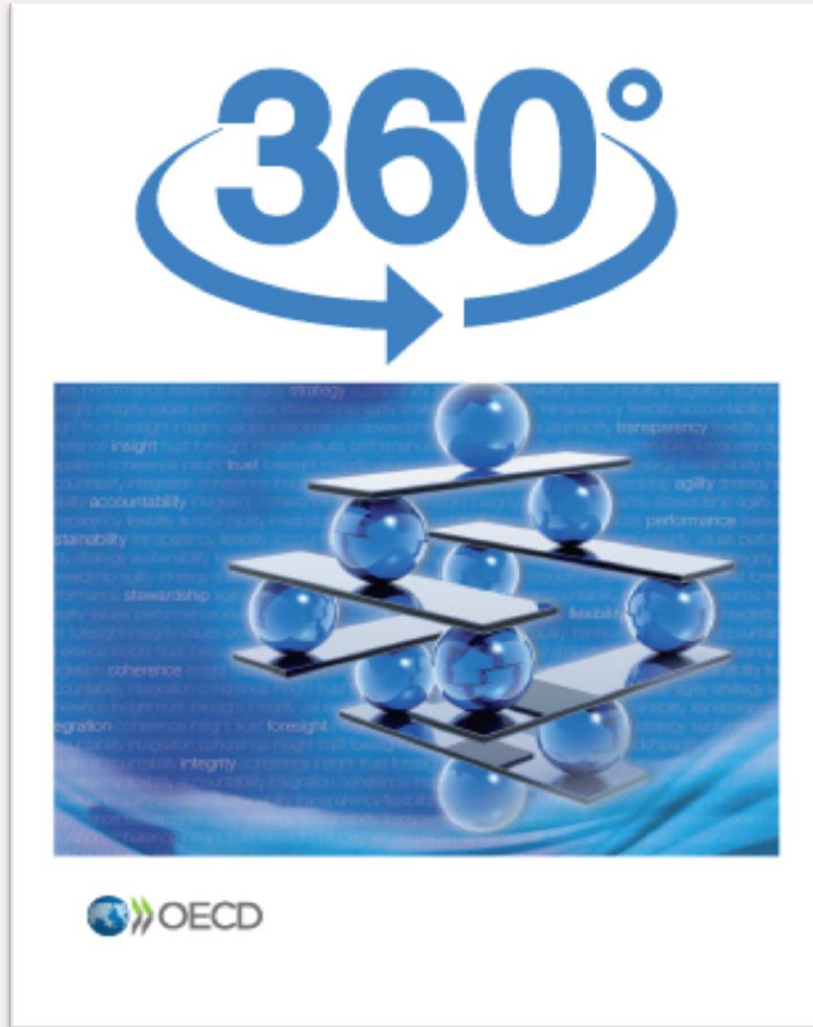
## Improved transparency in the Kraków City Council and City Hall

- The Stanczyk Institute of Civic Thought Foundation
- Sessions are being video recorded
- Improved documentation from committee meetings
- Interactive portal





# Mandatory programme area: Good Governance, Accountable Institutions, Transparency



# TRUST – THE NORDIC GOLD

The Nordic region has the highest levels of social trust in the world, which benefits the economy, individuals and society as a whole. This report discusses the background to why social trust has reached such high levels in the Nordic region, and why it is now under threat.