



## Introduction:

Welcome to an update on funding opportunities for Ukraine's sustainable and modern recovery. The document was produced within the framework of the Bridges of Trust project by the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR). You will find information on six calls for proposals open to local and regional governments. Each call outlines eligibility criteria, available funding amounts, and application deadlines. We invite CEMR member associations to disseminate the calls for proposals amongst "Bridges of Trust" municipal partnerships. We aim to contribute to the tangible progress and sustainability of local communities by providing local authorities in Ukraine with this comprehensive info support.

### 1. **Implementing Effective Supervision over Non-bank Financial Institutions - EU**

The European Commission is launching a new Twinning tool as EU Support to Recovery and Reforms in Ukraine. The objective is to develop stable, secure, and efficient financial services markets in Ukraine to provide financial resources to the national economy and support the country's post-war recovery, economic and social development, and integration into the global financial environment. The fund budget is €1.5 million and targets the government as well as the public bodies. The EU 27 and Ukraine are eligible.

**Deadline:** May 7, 2024, 16:30 Brussels time.

**For more information:** Ms. Vitaliya Mudruk, [vitaliya.mudruk@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:vitaliya.mudruk@eeas.europa.eu) or on the [EU Portal](#)

### 2. **Strengthening environmental protection in Ukraine in times of armed conflict – CDA**

On 09.04.2024, the Czech Development Agency announced a grant call for submission of grant applications for the implementation of new projects under the bilateral subsidy program of the FDC "Strengthening Environmental Protection in Ukraine in the Time of Armed Conflict" for 2024. The budget for this fund is 237.624€ and is open to NGOs, nonprofit organisations, government, and public bodies in Ukraine.

**Deadline:** May 10, 2024, at 12 noon (CET).

**For more information:** [dotace@czechaid.cz](mailto:dotace@czechaid.cz) or [here](#).

### 3. **Reforming Audiovisual Media Regulation in Ukraine in line with EU standards and international best practices - EU**

The European Commission Directorate-General for International Partnerships opened this call for a proposal of €1.5 million. The overall objective of the project is to increase efficiency, transparency, and consistency of the media policy in Ukraine based on closer alignment with the EU media framework and to strengthen the independence of the National Council through enhancing legal, regulatory, and administrative capacity to take appropriate regulatory measures as required by the legal framework of Ukraine and EU. The application works by twinning proposals from local authorities and must be done by an EU 27.

**Deadline:** May 14, 2024, at 16:00 Brussels time (CET).

**For more information:** please contact the Member State National Contact Points for Twinning or have a look at the [EU Portal](#).



#### 4. Call for Proposals for the SI -Ukraine Cooperation Program – Swedish Institute

The Swedish Institute (SI) offers Swedish actors and their cooperation partners in Ukraine grants to jointly implement projects aimed at supporting Ukraine's reconstruction, reform efforts, and EU integration in areas such as inclusive economic development, entrepreneurship and trade, human rights, democracy, the rule of law, and gender equality. The budget is set at 516.042€ with an award ceiling of 200.000€. Eligible applicants include the government, public bodies, academic institutions, the private sector, and others.

**Deadline:** May 15, 2024, 23:59:59 Brussels time (CET).

**For more information:** please look [here](#) or contact the programme team ([markus.boman@si.se](mailto:markus.boman@si.se) or [magdalena.ellfors@si.se](mailto:magdalena.ellfors@si.se)).

#### 5. Interreg Europe – Third call for proposals

Interreg Europe supports interregional cooperation between policy organisations from at least three different countries in the EU 27 and beyond (including Ukraine). The aim is to lead to better regional policies through capacity building and a more sustainable economic, social, and environmental impact on the ground for the people. Beneficiaries can cooperate on any topics of shared relevance in line with their regional needs as long as this falls within the scope of cohesion policy. The third call has opened with a budget of €130 million and targets NGOs, nonprofit organisations, government, public bodies, and the private sector.

**Deadline:** June 7, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. (midday) CET).

**For more information:** all the details can be found [here](#).

#### 6. USAID Project “HOVERLA”

The USAID HOVERLA project announced an annual program request for grant project concepts, followed by full applications from potential partners to implement measures to strengthen local self-government in Ukraine and support decentralization. The objectives are to ensure an increasingly institutionalized and effective local system, facilitate more self-reliant subnational governance, and allow citizens to play an influential role. The budget was set to €5.6 million, and the eligible applicants include a large range of entities, including public bodies.

**Deadline:** September 30, 2024, time to be confirmed.

**For more information:** please contact [hoverla@dai.com](mailto:hoverla@dai.com) or consult the [website here](#).

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