





# The EU CERV programme: engaging citizens for EU rights and values

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### **CERV Programme in brief**

#### **Objectives**

- Protect and promote rights and values
- Promote nondiscrimination and equality
- Promote citizens' engagement and participation
- Fight violence

#### Programme strands

- Union Values
- Equality, Rights, and Gender Equality
- Citizens engagement and participation
- Daphne

#### **Budget and actions**

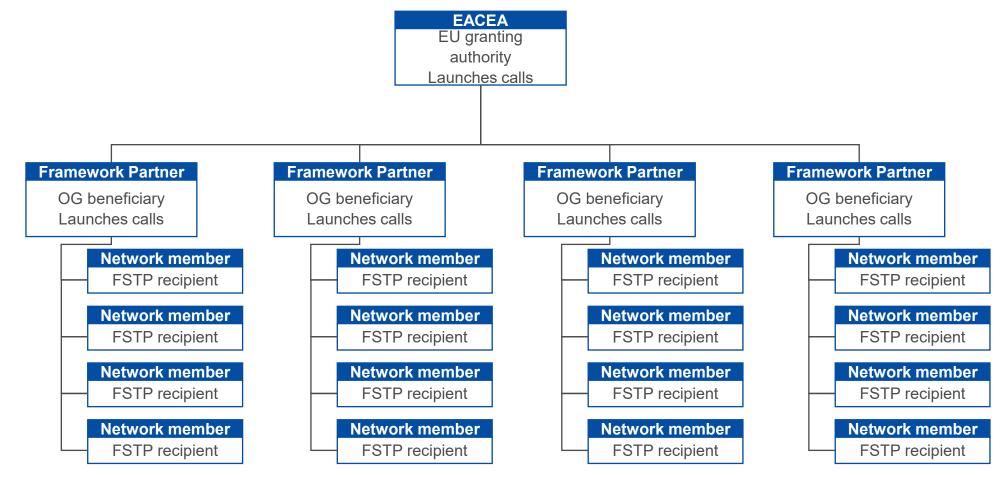
- 1,55 BEUR (2021-2027)
- Calls for proposals in relevant policy fields (action grants and operating grants)
- Support to grassroot organisations (FSTP)







## FSTP\* in CERV Operating Grants: cascading mechanism for support at grassroot level



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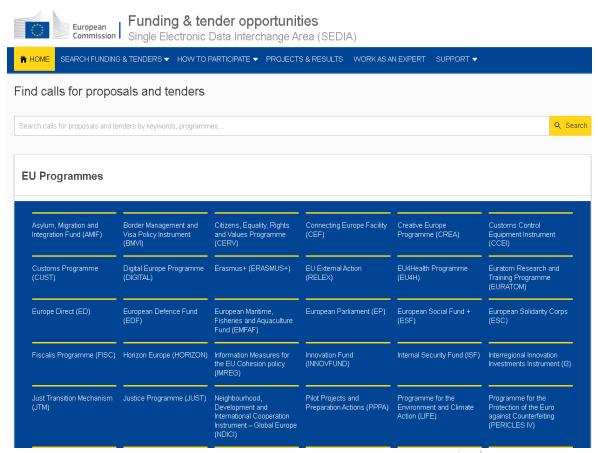
## FSTP: objectives in CERV Operating Grants

Capacity-building	<ul> <li>Strengthened capacity to protect and promote rights and EU values</li> </ul>
Supportive civil society environment	<ul> <li>Supportive environment for CSOs and right defenders such as national human rights institutions.</li> </ul>
Advocacy/ watchdog role	<ul> <li>A better developed advocacy and watchdog role for CSOs.</li> </ul>
Involvement of CSOs	<ul> <li>Increased involvement of CSOs in policy-making processes with local/ regional/ national governments.</li> </ul>
Awareness on EU rights/ values	<ul> <li>Increased citizen awareness of EU rights and values.</li> </ul>
Regional cooperation	<ul> <li>Strengthened regional cooperation within civil society.</li> </ul>



### Information on some CERV funding opportunities

- CERV Calls for Proposals: online on <u>Funding & tenders (europa.eu)</u> portal
- Nota bene:
- Citizens' engagement and participation
- Call to intermediaries (giving financial support to third parties)
- Operating grants to framework partners active in the area of Union values





## Thank you



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