



# **EaP Youth programme**

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# Political Background

***2<sup>nd</sup> EaP Youth Forum 2015** invited EC to **dedicate a programme to young people in Eastern Partnership countries.***

*Confirmed at the **Riga Summit in 2015:** **economic growth and employability,** particularly for youth, top priorities for action.*

# New EaP youth programme (indicative)

- *3 year programme to be launched in early 2017*
- *About 20 Million EUR*
- *3 components*

## **1. EU4Y Capacity building**

*a. Civil Society Fellowships*

*b. Partnerships for Entrepreneurship*

## **2. EU4Y Grant scheme**

*a. Grant scheme for policy development with a focus on youth entrepreneurship*

## **3. EU4Y Coordination**

# Objectives

- Increase the **employability** and **participation of young people** in society and economy.
- Support them in becoming **leaders** and **entrepreneurs** and developing **skills**.
- **Enable youth organisations to engage in cross-sectorial youth policies** and cooperate with public and private bodies and institutions.
  - Bring together **relevant authorities with other key stakeholders**, like businesses, social partners.
  - Attention to **disadvantaged youth** and **women**.

## Component 1: EU4Y Capacity building

- Empower young people with **key competences and skills supporting their active participation** in democratic, social and economic life.
- **Civil Society Fellowships for youth:**
- **Capacity building projects** supporting youth organisations to become active participants in **policy-development and policy making.**
- Selected young leaders (**the Fellows**) will take part in **mobility activities** and working in the EU.

## Component 1: EU4Y Capacity building

### *Partnerships for Entrepreneurship:*

- ***Capacity building projects promoting entrepreneurship education and social entrepreneurship among young people.***
- ***These transnational projects will be based on multilateral partnerships between organisations***
- ***Involvement of the private sector and educational institutions will be important.***

## **Component 2: EU4Y Grant scheme**

- *To **increase the educational and training opportunities and improve the employment perspectives** for youth.*
- *Capacity building projects addressing **educational and training opportunities for youth** with special attention to **vulnerable and disadvantaged young people**.*
- *Support creative young people **in maturing their entrepreneurial ideas**.*

## Component 2: EU4Y Grant scheme

- *Support leaders in the education field who offer quality education to all young people.*
- *Focus on **economic sectors with higher appeal on youth** – i.e. innovation & IT, creative industries, green economy, and **social entrepreneurship**.*
- *Involvement of private sector is key.*



### **EaP Window**

2012/13 (31.5 M  
EUR ENI funding  
= 3% of the YiA  
Programme)

### **Nat. Agencies**

**1183 projects** funded (Programme  
country org. in the lead)

**Mainly Voluntary Service**, youth  
exchanges, and some training and  
networking

Call for Proposals (about: 16 000  
EUR/project)

### **EACEA**

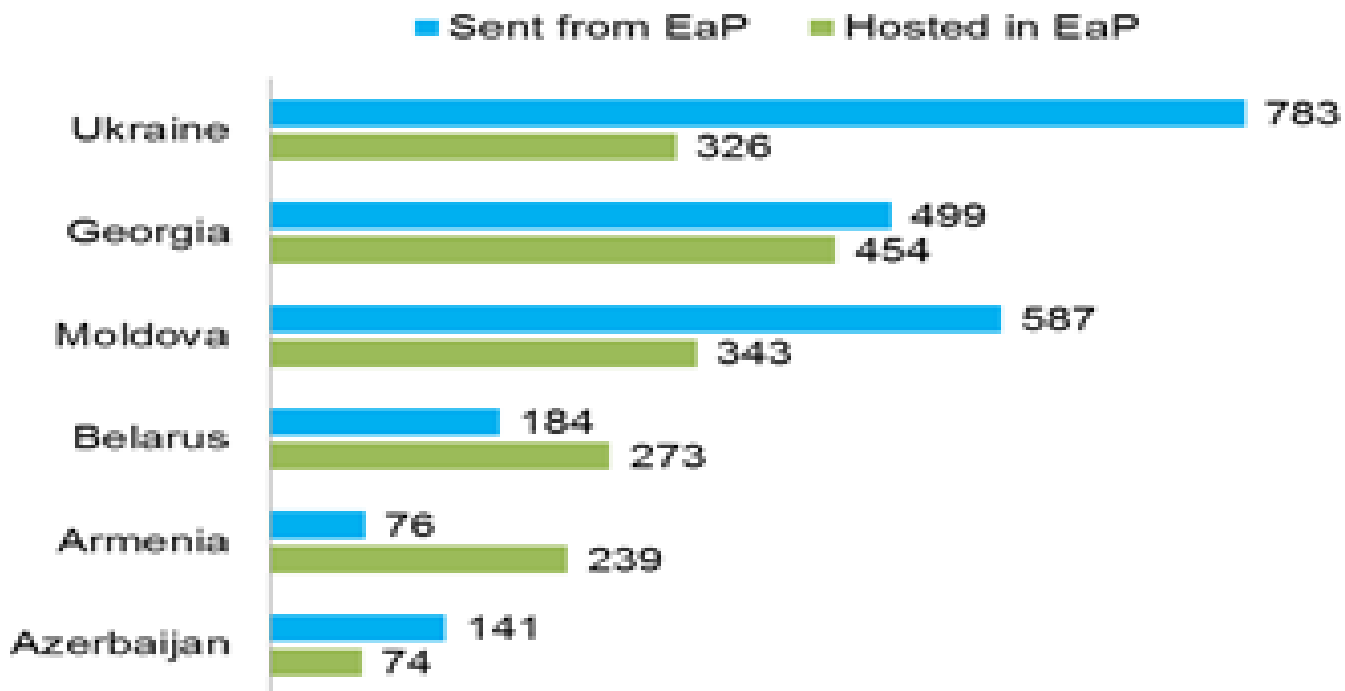
**465 projects** funded (EaP organization  
in the lead)

**Mainly training and networking**, youth  
exchanges, some EVS (but only from  
Programme countries to EaP countries)

Call for Proposals (about 27 000  
EUR/project)

# Results achieved: Mobility

**Number of EVS volunteers hosted in EaP and sent from EaP countries in 2007-2013**



# main benefits for youth organisations



- The **first Calls for proposals** will be published early next year.
- We are looking forward to receiving a lot of **interesting, innovative proposals.**

THANK YOU!