



## **Projects promoting Human Rights**

- Information for applicants -

Germany is committed to protecting and promoting human rights across the world. To this end, the German Embassy in Kyiv provides funding to support human rights projects. This money has to be used and accounted for in accordance with German budget law.

- Such funding may only be used for specific projects with a limited and clearly defined duration and content. It is not possible to provide institutional support for organisations working in human rights (for instance by paying for permanent staff or operating costs, such as office rent).
- Sums of up to 100,000 euros can be granted for concrete projects.
- Projects running over several years are not eligible for funding. Irrespective of when they launch, projects must be completed by 31 December 2022 the latest.
- Projects that have already started are generally ineligible for funding.
- There is no legal right to financial support.

The human rights projects of the Embassy in Kyiv will focus special attention in 2023 at the consequences of the russian war of aggression against Ukraine. This includes, for example, the promotion of psychological and medical support projects for victims of sexual violence, as well as support for internally displaced persons and children affected by war. Another focus is the support of particularly vulnerable groups, such as the elderly and disabled people, LGBTIQ+ and ethnic minorities.

Generally, project proposal should be based on the Federal Government's "Action Plan for Human Rights 2021/22":

# \*Preserving and expanding the human rights acquis\*

- 1. Strengthening human rights protection in the context of digitalisation
- 2. Tackling climate, environmental and human rights protection as one challenge
- 3. Realizing the right to water and sanitation, housing, health and food
- 4. Strengthening human rights in the context of business and trade
- 5. Promoting freedom of opinion and of the press
- 6. Supporting freedom of religion and belief
- 7. Fostering gender equality
- 8. Implementation of the Agenda "Women, Peace and Security"
- 9. Fighting discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity
- 10. Strengthening children's rights
- 11. Promoting the rights of migrants, asylum seekers and refugees
- 12. Promoting the rights of minorities and indigenous peoples
- 13. Promoting the rights of older people
- 14. Promoting the right to education

## \*Combating human rights abuses\*

- 15. Combating racism, anti-Semitism and other forms of group-related enmity
- 16. Campaigning against the death penalty
- 17. Combating torture and the disappearance of people
- 18. Combating discrimination against people with disabilities
- 19. Combating human trafficking

## \* Strengthening institutions and actors involved in the protection of human rights\*

- 20. Creating and maintaining civil society space, including online, and supporting human rights defenders
- 21. Strengthening international regimes and bodies protecting human rights, as well as monitoring organisations and national human rights institutions
- 22. Promoting the implementation of human rights through economic development

## \*Securing the rule of law\*

- 23. Combating impunity
- 24. Strengthening procedural rights of suspects and accused in criminal proceedings
- 25. Promoting the rule of law and conflict resolution in fragile contexts as an important contribution to the protection of human rights and peacekeeping
- 26. Fostering respect for human rights in the fight against terrorism

#### Thematic Priorities in Ukraine

For the 2022 funding period, the German Embassy in Kyiv aims to focus in particular on the following areas

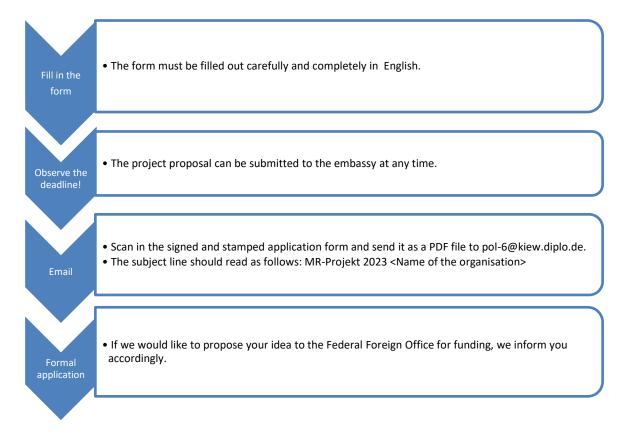
- **Crimea** (political prisoners, Crimean Tatars, militarisation (including of children), freedom of opinion, international law), based on priorities 5, 6, 10, 12, 14
- **Deinstitutionalization of children and people with disabilities**, based on priorities 10 and 19
- **Domestic Violence** against women and children, based on priorities 7 and 10
- LGBTIQ+ rights, based on priority 9
- People to people relations in Donbas, including across the line of contact; fostering the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Ukraine, based on priorities 8 and 24

#### **Procedure**

Please present your project idea in an application form. Refer to the following link for the form: English

The application must be handed in jointly with a financial plan including a detailed list of project costs. Organisations' running costs (e.g. rental costs, salaries of permanent staff) cannot be funded, except if they are purely project-related! If possible, the organisation should cover some of the project costs using its own funds; if not, please explain why.

Own funds should be described in relation to the total budget, not to individual budget items. Please attach the financial plan to the application separately as an Excel document.



Once the Federal Foreign Office has approved the application, a funding agreement will be concluded under German law. Once the project has been completed, proof of employment of funds must be given using the sample text available from the mission.

The Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Kyiv will be happy to answer any questions on application or project support procedures.

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