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### **Activity 3. Roadmap on European and international funds for local authorities in Armenia<sup>1</sup>**

Within the roadmap we will provide details on funded opportunities (at European and international level) for Armenian local authorities. There are several types of cooperation: regional, bilateral and thematic. The bilateral dimension supports closer bilateral relations between the European Union and each Eastern partner country, in our case, Armenia. The regional and thematic dimensions provide a forum for dialogue and exchange between partners. This is done via thematic platforms and strengthens activities in support of the EU bilateral relationship with individual partners.

Recently, the European Commission introduced the Team Europe Partnerships Portal (TEPP) (available at <https://www.acc.team-europe-partners.eu/home>). This is a new platform that supports member states and partner countries in finding innovative and effective tools to build sustainable societies and reach development goals. At the moment, the platform is working in test mode and some partner countries will be added shorter (including Armenia). Once Armenia will be added to the portal, we highly recommend to register your organisations and search for opportunities.

#### **Regional dimension**

**Cross-Border Cooperation Programmes, Black Sea Basin Programme 2021-2027**, please see details at <https://blacksea-cbc.net/news/archive-news/the-final-version-of-the-interreg-next-black-sea-basin-programme-2021-2027-was-approved-within-the-eight-meeting-of-the-joint-programming-committee/>

#### **Priorities 2021-2027.**

- “Blue and Smart Region”
  - Developing and enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies
- Clean and Green Region
  - Promoting climate change adaptation, and disaster risk prevention, resilience, taking into account eco-system based approaches
  - Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity, and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution”.

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<sup>1</sup> More information regarding EU funding available to LRAs in Armenia can be found in brochures “EU financial assistance available to local and regional authorities in Eastern Partnership countries” published regularly by the European Committee of the Regions. The latest version is available under the following link:

<https://cor.europa.eu/en/engage/studies/Documents/EU-financial-assistance-available-to-LRAs-in-EaP.pdf>



**EU funded Mayors for Economic Growth Facility in Armenia**, please see details at <https://eu4armenia.eu/the-second-phase-of-the-eu-funded-mayors-for-economic-growth-facility-is-now-in-full-swing-in-armenia/>

**Priorities.** “Enhancement of local economic inclusive growth and job creation by strengthening the capacities of local government and facilitating processes for the development of investable projects”.

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**Eastern Europe Energy Efficiency and Environment Partnership (E5P)**, please see details at <https://e5p.eu/armenia> (if it is impossible to open the webpage, please use VPN)

**Priorities.** “Encouragement of municipal investments in energy efficiency and environmental projects in the Eastern Partnership region, specifically improvement of district heating, energy efficiency in public buildings (schools, kindergartens, hospitals), energy saving measures in residential housing, renewable energy (including biomass), street lighting, water and wastewater treatment, solid waste management, urban transport”.

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**European Neighbourhood Programme for Agriculture and Rural Development (ENPARD)**, please see details at [https://www.undp.org/armenia/projects/enpard-technical-assistance-producer-groups-and-value-chain-development?c\\_src=CENTRAL&c\\_src2=GSR](https://www.undp.org/armenia/projects/enpard-technical-assistance-producer-groups-and-value-chain-development?c_src=CENTRAL&c_src2=GSR)

**Priorities.** “Technical assistance to producer groups and value chain development”.

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**EU4Energy Programme**, please see details at <https://www.iea.org/programmes/eu4energy>, <https://iea.blob.core.windows.net/assets/8ab6733c-65b4-4fa8-b173-2bb6a18860bd/Armenia-Combined.pdf>

**Priorities.** “Supporting the implementation of sustainable energy policies and fostering co-operative energy sector development”.

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Region in Transition

**Partnership for Good Governance (PGG)**, please see details at

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/corruption/projects/pgg-ii-armenia>

**Priorities.** “Strengthening institutional capacities to fight and prevent corruption in Armenia (PGG II Armenia)”.

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**Neighbourhood Investment Facility (NIF): to be defined under NDICI**, please see details at

<https://www.eib.org/en/products/mandates-partnerships/nip/index.htm>

**Priorities.** “A regional blending facility that mobilises additional investment for critical infrastructure projects and supports private sector development”.

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<https://www.eib.org/en/infocentre/contact/index.htm>

**EU4Culture**, please see details at <https://eu4armenia.eu/eu4culture-call-for-mobility-scheme-for-artists-and-cultural-professionals/>

**Priorities.** “Mobility scheme for artists and Cultural professionals”.

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**Bilateral dimension**

**USAID, Local Governance Reform Program**

<http://mtad.am/hy/mtad4.12/>

“Provides assistance to the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure to implement the Territorial and Administrative Reform of Armenia and strengthen local governance through improved service delivery to constituents and provides matching grants for community development in 13 consolidated clusters”.

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**Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, Council of Europe, UNDP, Improvement of the local self-governance system Armenia**

The program will support the consolidated 52 municipalities.

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**Single Support Framework for Armenia (Programming of the ENI): to be defined under NDICI,**  
[https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/system/files/2018-10/armenia\\_ssf\\_2017-2020\\_final.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/system/files/2018-10/armenia_ssf_2017-2020_final.pdf)

**Priorities.** “Sector 1. Economic development and market opportunities (indicatively 35% of total budget)

Sector 2. Strengthening institutions and good governance (indicatively 15% of total budget)

Sector 3. Connectivity, energy efficiency, environment and climate change (indicatively 15% of total budget)

Sector 4. Mobility and people-to-people contacts (indicatively 15% of total budget)”.

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**Local Empowerment of Actors for Development (LEAD) Programme in Armenia launched,** please see details at <https://euneighbourseast.eu/news-and-stories/latest-news/armenia-new-regional-development-programme-launched/>

**Priorities.** “Regional development with a special emphasis on the development of disadvantaged areas and territorial cooperation is among the priorities of CEPA”.

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**Thematic dimension**

**European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR),** please see details at [https://www.euro-access.eu/programm/european\\_instrument\\_for\\_democracy\\_and\\_human\\_rights](https://www.euro-access.eu/programm/european_instrument_for_democracy_and_human_rights)

**Priorities.**

- “Enhancing respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in countries and regions where they are most at risk;
- Strengthening the role of civil society in promoting human rights and democratic reform, in supporting the peaceful conciliation of group interests and in consolidating political participation and representation;
- Supporting actions in areas covered by EU Guidelines: dialogue on Human rights, human rights defenders, the death penalty, torture, children and armed conflicts and violence against women;
- Supporting and strengthening the international and regional framework for the protection of human rights, justice, the rule of law and the promotion of democracy;
- Building confidence in and enhancing the reliability and transparency of democratic electoral processes, in particular through monitoring electoral processes”.



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### WB, Social Investment and Local Development program

<https://projects.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/project-detail/P148836>

**Priorities.** The Project consists of the following parts:

“Part A: Support to Socio-Economic Development and Capacity Building at Local Level

1. Carrying out community micro-projects (Microprojects), with the assistance of Project Implementation Committees (“PICs”), including, inter-alia: (i) the construction, renovation, rehabilitation, and/or expansion of key social infrastructure covering education, health, and social services; (ii) the installation/rehabilitation of water supply and sanitation systems; and (iii) execution of minor irrigation and rural electrification works.

2. Providing: (i) technical assistance to ensure proper design, and supervision of Microprojects; and (ii) institutional and financial capacity building at community level.

3. Providing furniture and equipment for infrastructure investments benefited by Microprojects.

Part B: Support to Inter-Community Social and Economic Development Initiatives

1. Supporting to Armenia’s territorial reform, through carrying out of innovative development initiatives (Subprojects).

2. Providing: (i) technical assistance to ensure proper design, and supervision of Subprojects; and (ii) institutional and financial capacity building at community level.

3. Providing furniture and equipment for infrastructure investments benefited by Subprojects.

Part C: Institutional Strengthening and Project Management”

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**Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities (CSO-LA):** to be defined under NDICI, ), please see details at [https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/system/files/mip-2021-c2021-9158-civil-society-organisations-annex\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/system/files/mip-2021-c2021-9158-civil-society-organisations-annex_en.pdf)

**Priority 1.** “An inclusive, participatory, empowered, and independent civil society and democratic space in partner countries; and an inclusive and open dialogue with and between Civil Society Organisations.

- Specific Objective 1.1: Support Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) as actors of good governance and development: Strengthen global partnerships
- Specific Objective 1.2: Contribute to an improved enabling environment for civil society
- Specific-Objective 1.3: Support CSOs as actors of good governance and development in partner

countries

**Priority 2.** A better-informed and more inclusive society with a developed sense of co-responsibility for sustainable development, including addressing global challenges (notably global inequalities and ecological crises) (DEAR programme)

- Specific Objective 2.1: EU citizens are supportive of sustainable development and international cooperation and increasingly aware of global challenges (notably global inequalities and ecological crises).
- Specific Objective 2.2: EU citizens, in particular youth, are empowered and actively engaged in promoting sustainable development, including addressing global challenges (notably global inequalities and ecological crises)



- Specific Objective 2.3: Global issues and global citizenship education are better integrated into formal and non-formal education in EU Member States”.

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**The Migration Partnership Facility** is a European Union (EU) funded initiative supporting the external dimension of EU migration policy.

**Priorities.** “Strengthen dialogue and cooperation on migration and mobility between Member States and priority partner countries outside the EU.

For partners countries MPF grants fall into the following category:

- **Strand A.** Support to the EU’s migration priorities with partner countries”;

For more details please see: <https://www.migrationpartnershipfacility.eu/calls-for-proposals>

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**Open Door Grants** – Sub-grants provided under the EU for Integrity Programme.

**Priorities.**

- “Anti-corruption;
- Justice;
- Public service delivery, including strengthening citizen participation and feedback mechanisms, or enhancing government responsiveness to users for improving public services
- Civic space and media freedoms;
- Business integrity and ease of doing business;
- Any other themes related to COVID-19 Response, Recovery or Renewal”.

For more details please see: <https://www.opengovpartnership.org/eu-for-integrity-programme-for-the-eastern-partnership/eastern-partnership-open-door-grants/>

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**Creative Europe: renewed (2021-2027)**, please see details at

<https://ec.europa.eu/culture/news/creative-europe-2021-2027-programme-launch>

**Priorities.**

- “Enhancement of artistic and cultural cooperation at a European level;
- Encouragement of the competitiveness, innovation, and sustainability of the European audiovisual sector;
- Promotion of cross-sectoral innovative and collaborative actions, including support for media literacy and a diverse, independent and pluralistic news media environment”.

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**Erasmus+: renewed (2021-2027),** , please see details at [https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/Opportunities for organisations](https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/Opportunities-for-organisations).

“Key Action 1: Learning mobility of individuals.

Key Action 2: Cooperation among organisations and institutions.

Key Action 3: Support for policy reform”.

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**Horizon Europe: (2021-2027),** , please see details at [https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe_en)

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**Support for Improvement in Governance and Management (SIGMA),** please see details at <http://www.sigmaweb.org>

**Six key areas:**

- “Strategic framework of public administration reform
- Policy development and co-ordination
- Public service and human resource management
- Accountability
- Service delivery
- Public financial management, public procurement and external audit”.

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**Technical Assistance and Information Exchange (TAIEX)** [https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/funding-and-technical-assistance/taix\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/funding-and-technical-assistance/taix_en)

**Priorities.**

- “Agriculture and food safety.
- Freedom, security and justice.
- Environment, Energy, Transport and Telecommunications.
- Internal Market
- Peer 2 Peer”.



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**Twinning**, please see details at <http://ec.europa.eu/twinning>

**Priorities.** "Building up capacities of beneficiary countries' public administrations throughout the accession process, resulting in progressive, positive developments in the region".

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