



EEA and Norway Grants 2021–2028

Together for a green, democratic and resilient Europe

The EEA Agreement is the mainstay of Norway’s cooperation with the EU and the EU member states. The Agreement sets out a common goal to work together to reduce social and economic disparities in Europe. Norway contributes to these efforts through the EEA and Norway Grants. Another goal is to strengthen bilateral relations between Norway and the beneficiary states.

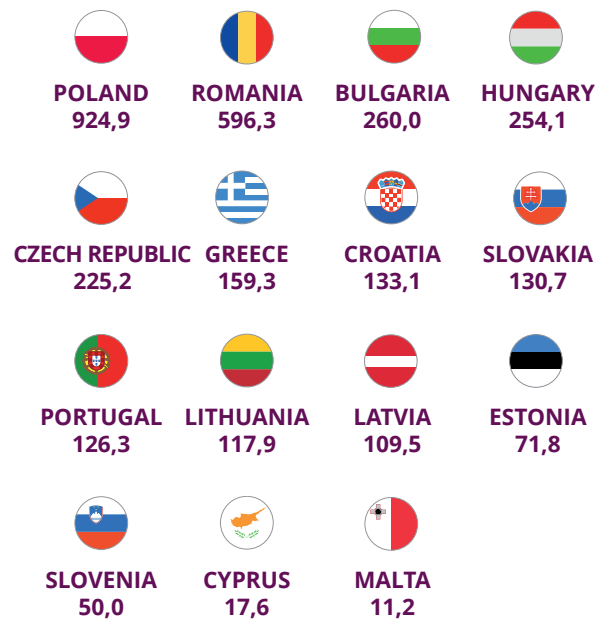
The EEA and Norway Grants are an important tool for addressing common challenges and strengthening our European community based on democratic values and principles of good governance. Cooperation between donor and beneficiary states is key to creating platforms for political interaction, cooperation in priority areas and network-building. The Grants are allocated in response to the specific needs of each beneficiary state, and to sectors where there is potential for, and interest in, cooperation with Norwegian partners.

For the funding period 2021–2028, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein will provide EUR 3.268 billion to the 15 least prosperous countries in the EEA. Norway provides roughly 97 % of this funding. Support will be targeted towards the following thematic priority areas:

- **Green transition;**
- **Democracy, rule of law and human rights;**
- **Social inclusion and resilience.**

Gender equality and digitalisation will be incorporated across all programme areas and funds, and will be integrated into all relevant programmes. Cooperation with international organisations such as the Council of Europe, OECD, and the European Fundamental Rights Agency will be strengthened. Some 10% of the Grants will be allocated to support civil society through separate funds.

BENEFICIARY STATES (allocations in million euros)



UKRAINE

A total of EUR 183 million has been earmarked to support projects in the beneficiary states aimed at addressing challenges arising as a result of Russia’s war against Ukraine.



OVERALL OBJECTIVES

- Reducing social and economic disparities
- Strengthening bilateral relations

The EEA and Norway Grants are based on the common values and principles of respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and human rights, including the rights of persons belonging to minorities.

PROGRAMME AREAS

- Green transition
- Green business and innovation
- Research and innovation
- Education, training and youth employment
- Culture
- Local development, good governance and inclusion
- Roma inclusion and empowerment
- Public health
- Disaster prevention and preparedness
- Domestic and gender-based violence
- Access to justice
- Correctional services
- Serious and organised crime
- Asylum, migration and integration
- Institutional cooperation and capacity building

FUNDS

- Fund for civil society
- Fund for capacity building and cooperation with international partner organisations and institutions
- Fund for social dialogue and decent work (Norway Grants only)

