



- **Duration: 7 years** (2007-2013)
- **Budget : Total € 93,6 million**
- **Operational expenditure € 93,8 million**



FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND CITIZENSHIP

For the Financial Perspectives 2007-2013:

- Commission proposal (April 2005) for JLS general programme "**Fundamental Rights and Justice**", which includes:
 - Specific programme "**Fundamental Rights and Citizenship (FRC)**"

The programme was adopted on 19 April 2007.



Fundamental rights and Citizenship - funded activities:

- Specific actions taken by the Commission, such as studies and research, opinion polls and surveys, formulation of indicators and common methodologies, collection, development and dissemination of data and statistics, seminars, conferences and expert meetings, organisation of public campaigns and events; development and maintenance of websites, preparation and dissemination of information, support for and management of networks of national experts, analytical, monitoring and evaluation activities;
- Specific trans-national projects of Community interest presented by an authority or any other body of a Member State, an international or non-governmental organisation, and involving at least two member States or at least one Member State and one other state which may be either an acceding country or a candidate country, under the conditions set out in the annual work programme;

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Fundamental rights and Citizenship - funded activities:

- Support to the activities of non-governmental organisations or other entities pursuing an aim of general European interest in accordance with the general objectives of the programme under the conditions set out in the annual work programme;

- Operating Grants to co-finance expenditure associated with the permanent work programme of the Conference of the European Constitutional Courts and the Association of the Councils of State and Supreme Administrative Jurisdictions of the European Union, which maintains certain databases providing for a European-wide collection of national judgements relating to the implementation of Community law, insofar as the expenditure is incurred in pursuing an objective of general European interest by promoting exchanges of views and experience on matters concerning the case law, organisation and functioning of their members in the performance of their judicial and/or advisory functions with regard to

Community law.

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Annual Priorities

The Annual Work Plan defines each year **Project Priorities**. In 2007 the priorities are:

- Protection of the rights of the child
- Active participation in the democratic life of the Union
- Combating racism, xenophobia, and anti-Semitism
- Data protection and privacy rights



Actions under Fundamental Rights and Citizenship

- **Actions** initiated by the Commission (procurement) –
- **Specific transnational projects** presented by a partnership of at least 2 organisations from 2 different Member States or one Member State and an acceding country. (call for proposals)
- **Operational grants to NGOs** working in this area (call for proposals)



Who can participate?

- **NGOs, local/regional public authorities or institutions** (universities, research centres)
- **Origin:**
 - ◆ **EU Member States**
 - ◆ **EEA countries**
 - ◆ **Turkey and Western Balkans**
(but only as non-funded associate partners)
- **Proposals must involve a partnership of at least 2 organisations from 2 different countries**



Funding Rules for Projects

- **Duration: up to 18 months**
- **EC funds up to 80% of total cost**
- **Minimum EC grant: €100.000, maximum:**
- **First pre-payment of 70% of EU contribution;**
- **Second prepayment of 15% on receipt by Commission of statement that 70% of first pre-financing is exhausted**
- **Balance paid upon completion**

