



EDUCATION, SCHOLARSHIPS, APPRENTICESHIPS AND YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAMME IN ROMANIA

FINANCED THROUGH THE EEA GRANTS 2014-2021

CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2021 PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION (SE)

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

Funding Sources: the EEA Grants 2014-2021 and the Romanian Government

Donor States (DS): Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway

Beneficiary State: Romania

Programme Operator: The National Agency for Community Programmes in the Field of Education and Vocational Training (Agenția Națională pentru Programe Comunitare în Domeniul Educației și Formării Profesionale, ANPCDEFP)

Donor Programme Partners: Norwegian Directorate for Higher Education and Skills (HK-dir) and the National Agency for International Education Affairs (Liechtenstein) – **AIBA**.

Scope of the Programme: Contributing to the reduction of economic and social disparities in the European Economic Area and strengthening the bilateral relations between the EEA states and Romania.

General Objective of the Programme: Enhanced human capital and knowledge base

Specific Outcome for SE: Improved skills and competences of educational experts (school inspectors, teacher trainers, counsellors) supporting schools in increasing the quality of education

Area of Support for SE: Facilitated learning mobility between Romania and DS for educational experts (school inspectors, teacher trainers, counsellors)

Programme results framework could be found <u>here</u>.

Specific Budget for SE:

980 000 EUR (out of which 833 000 EUR from Donor States and 147 000 EUR from the national budget)

PARTICULAR FEATURES OF THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF SE

Please read this document in connection with the <u>Guideline for Applicants 2021</u>, which is an official part of this Call.

1. BUDGET ALLOCATED TO THE CALL: 246.063,69 EUR

The minimum allocated grant per project is 1 500EUR and the maximum allocated grant is 27 000EUR.

2. TYPES OF PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED: Mobility Projects in the SE Field

In the SE field, the projects shall consist of learning activities (mobility) for educational experts working in the educational institutions tasked with supporting schools in increasing the quality of education. Alternatively, when physical mobility will not be possible by the end of the project due to Covid-19 pandemic, virtual activities can be envisaged.

(For more details, see <u>Guideline for Applicants 2021</u>, published on <u>www.eea4edu.ro</u>.)

Priorities: learning activities focusing on democracy, citizenship, human rights education and social inclusion will be prioritised through bonus points in the selection process. The priority points will not be awarded unless the minimum score for quality was reached by the project.

3. PROJECT RESULTS

The projects submitted under this Call for Proposals should contribute to (and report upon) the achievement of the following direct results (outputs) and indirect results (outcomes):

Number	Programme results	Indicators		
Outcome 3	Improved skills and competences of educational experts (school inspectors, teacher trainers, counselors)	90%ofeducationprofessionalsdeclareimprovedskills/competencies in theirfield of service provision15%ofeducationprofessionalsdeclareimprovedskills/competencies in thearea of democracy		
		90% of participants in mobility activities receive Europass Mobility Certificate		
Output 3.1	Facilitated learning mobility between BS and DS for educational experts	350 educational experts benefitting from mobility for learning purposes		

supporting (inspectors,	the		(structured shadowing,		job visits
trainers, counselors)			conferences.	etc.)	

4. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

For projects in the SE field, the applicants are: the County School Inspectorates (ISJ), Teacher Training Houses (CCD) and County Centres for Resources and Educational Assistance (CJRAE) in Romania. They will apply for their educational experts: school inspectors, teacher trainers and counsellors.

5. CO-FUNDING

For projects in the SE field the grant will cover 100% of the eligible costs.

6. APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

6.1 The application form for projects in the SE field:

Application Form		Formal eligibility checklist
Projects for the SE field	Click here	<u>Download</u>

6.2 Annexes (compulsory) for projects in the SE field:

6.2.a) <u>Declaration of Honour</u> of the legal representative of the applicant institution (this document will be printed, signed, scanned and uploaded).

6.2.b) <u>Letter of Intent</u> for hosting the learning mobility (issued by the Donor State host institution(s)).

6.2.c) <u>Table of detailed requested budget.</u>

6.2.d) Project communication plan

7. HOW TO APPLY?

The completed application, in English language, has to be sent electronically to: projecte_SE@eea4edu.ro The compulsory annexes will be uploaded jointly with the application form.

8. DEADLINE: 03/12/2021 at 13.00 hours (Romanian time)

Any application sent after the above-mentioned date and hour will be declared ineligible.

9. CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT:

After the online submission of the application, the applicant will receive an automatic confirmation.

10. PUBLICATION OF SELECTION RESULTS:

Results will be published on the website <u>www.eea4edu.ro</u>, no later than **01/02/2022**.

11. CONCERNING DOUBLE FUNDING:

According to the principles of sound financial management, double funding is strictly forbidden.

Thus, costs for the same activity cannot be covered from two different funding sources, with the exception of the case where complementarity can be clearly proven.

Funding for the one and the same project cannot be granted more than once.

Also, if identical applications (in content) are identified or if applications contain paragraphs similar or identical to other applications (no matter if submitted under the same deadline or not and no matter if submitted by the same candidate or different candidates, for the EEA Grants 2014-2021 programme or for another programme managed by ANPCDEFP), these applications will be rejected.

In the case where double funding is discovered after the respective applications have already been approved and funded, the grant beneficiaries will have to return to ANPCDEFP all the amounts already received for the implementation of the project.

12. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

In the case of projects received from candidates with whom the PO is in dispute for debts recovery, if the project qualifies for financing, the contract will be offered only under special conditions: with 0 (zero) Euro prefinancing and the reimbursement of the eligible costs after the approval of the final report.

13. OTHER INFORMATION:

Please find all the necessary details regarding eligible activities, duration of projects/activities, levels of allocated grants according to various types of activities, types of funding, evaluation criteria and reporting in the <u>Guideline for Applicants-2021</u>. Before submitting the application, we strongly recommend a careful reading of this document together with the following legal documents of the Programme:

- <u>Regulation on the implementation of the EEA Grants 2014-2021 and Annex 3 on</u> <u>Information and Communication Requirements</u>
- <u>Memorandum of Understanding between Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and the</u> <u>Government of Romania on the Implementation of the EEA Financial Mechanism</u> <u>2014-2021</u>
- <u>Guideline for Educational Programmes Rules for the establishment and</u> <u>implementation of programmes falling under programme area 3 "Education,</u> <u>Scholarships, Apprenticeships and Youth Entrepreneurship"</u>
- <u>Government Ordinance no 34/2017 concerning the institutional framework for</u> <u>the coordination, implementation and management of financial support granted</u> <u>to Romania through the EEA and Norway Grants 2014-2021</u>

During the application, selection and implementation stages, you can contact the following technical officers:

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