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Economic and Social Empowerment for Roma and Egyptians - a booster for social inclusion (ESERE) Project

Capacity strengthening of Roma and Egyptian CSOs

The Project Economic and Social Empowerment for Roma and Egyptians - a booster for social inclusion (ESERE) strives to strengthen the capacities of Roma and Egyptian civil society organizations (CSOs) to take a leading position in reducing the challenges that Roma and Egyptian communities face and to enhance their social and economic empowerment.

In this respect, an assessment on the capacity and training needs assessment of Roma and Egyptian CSOs was conducted in 2016 in the targeted regions of Tirana, Durrës, Berat. The findings of the assessment were the foundation on which a comprehensive training and coaching program was developed to meet the needs of Roma and Egyptian CSOs. The training curricula containing 10 topics consisted in areas such as 1) Project Writing and application; 2) Project monitoring, evaluation and reporting; 3) Project and financial management; 4) NPO Legal Framework; 5) Strategic Planning for NPOs; 6) Community Development and Mobilization; 7) Cooperation of the CSO-s, Networking and Coalitions; 8) Lobbying and Advocacy; 9) Leadership and Activism; 10) Ensuring Public Support and Working with the Private Sector.

Upon finalization of the trainings a Call for Proposals was launched by UNDP to Roma and Egyptian NGOs resulting in the engagement of 20 CSOs. The small grants program is an important component of the project. It followed the training and coaching provided to Roma and Egyptian CSOs and it created opportunities for their further learning and growth. The purpose of the small grants program is two-fold. On one hand, it aims to provide Roma and Egyptian CSOs with solid institutional capacities to continue their work and contribute to the efforts of integration and empowerment. On the other hand, the grant intends to enable them to identify, design and implement interventions in which they would take on the leading role.

The project proposals submitted by Roma and Egyptian NGOs cover the priority areas of the National Action Plan for the Integration of Roma and Egyptians 2016-2020 as per the chart below.

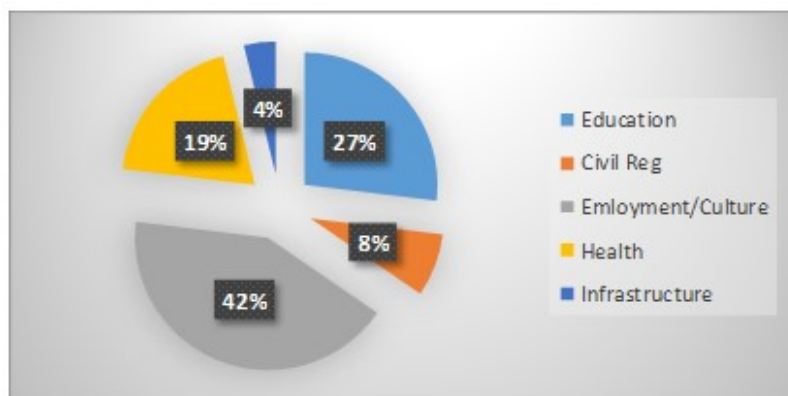


Figure 1. Distribution of the NGOs according to the priority areas of the National Action Plan on Roma and Egyptian Integration 2016-2020.

Roma and Egyptian NGOs provided with small grants will be coached and monitored throughout the implementation period of the project aiming at ensuring accountability to ESERE project and learn about the importance of responsibility to the communities, public and other donors they aspire to engage with in the future.

The below table provides an overview of the 20 projects supported with small grants in the framework of ESERE Project.

Description	Type of Partnership	CSO Name	Implementation Period		Value
			Start	End	
<p><u>Project:</u> Improving the access of Roma and Egyptian in public services through civil registration</p> <p><u>Implementation area:</u> Shkodra</p>	<p>STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities</p>	Voice of Roma in Albania	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	1,990,980 ALL

<u>Project:</u> Rural economic Development Support for Roma farmers <u>Implementation area:</u> Morava Otlak Berat	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	Amaro Drom	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	2,000,000 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Socio – educative awareness for Roma and Egyptian community <u>Implementation area:</u> Shkoder	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	The Rights of the Egyptian Community (<i>Te Drejtat e Komunitetit Egjiptian</i>)	1 April 2017	31 March 2018	1,541,000 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Support to the artistic and cultural development of Egyptian children. <u>Implementation area:</u> Kucove, Berat	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	United Egyptians of Albania (<i>Egjiptianet e Bashkuar te Shqiperise</i>)	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	1,960,600 ALL
<u>Project:</u> The pre-education of Roma children <u>Implementation area:</u> Tirane	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	Roma Women of Tomorrow (<i>Gruaja Rome e se Nesermes</i>)	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	1,904,473 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Economic Empowerment through employment <u>Implementation area:</u> Berat, Morave, Orizaj, Lapardha	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	United Roma of Berat (<i>Romet e Bashkuar Berat</i>)	1 April 2017	31 July 2018	1,835,000 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Registration of Egyptian community in Berat region	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant	Help for the poor (<i>Ndihme per te varferit</i>)	1 April 2017	31 March 2018	1,996,870 ALL

<u>Implementation area:</u> Kucova, Ura Vajgurore, Polican	Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities				
<u>Project:</u> Roma women towards the integration <u>Implementation area:</u> Shkoze. Tirane	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	The roof of Roma women (<i>Çatia e gruas Rome</i>)	1 April 2017	31 July 2018	1,430,800 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Support for Roma and Egyptian children integration in pre-elementary education and in the school system <u>Implementation area:</u> Allias Bregu i lumit area	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	Romani Baxt	1 April 2017	31 July 2018	1,997,000 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Increasing access and inclusion of Roma and Egyptian in qualitative education <u>Implementation area:</u> Durres Nishtulla, Shkozet, Kull	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	Alba Rom	1 April 2017	30 April 2018	1,293,900 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Development and enforcement of Roma and Egyptian communities through field advocacy <u>Implementation area:</u> Durres	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	USHTEN	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	1,956,500 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Social Integration and empowerment of Roma and Egyptian communities through education and local employment policy implementation <u>Implementation area:</u> Durres, Tirane	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	Embroidery Association (<i>Shoqata e Qendistareve</i>)	1 April 2017	31 July 2018	1,887,000 ALL

<p><u>Project:</u> A society without discrimination – a healthy society.</p> <p><u>Implementation area:</u> Tirane, Durres</p>	<p>STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities</p>	Romano Kham	1 April 2017	31 July 2018	1,356,000 ALL
<p><u>Project:</u> Fostering comprehensive education in Shkodra and Berat</p> <p><u>Implementation area:</u> Shkoder, Morava</p>	<p>STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities</p>	Roma Women Rights Center <i>(Qendra per te drejatat e gruas Rome)</i>	1 April 2017	31 May 2018	1,989,500 ALL
<p><u>Project:</u> Fostering intercultural dialog through the promotion of Roma music and culture.</p> <p><u>Implementation area:</u> Tirane, Durres, Shkoder, Berat</p>	<p>STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities</p>	Institute of Roma Culture in Albania <i>(Instituti i Kultures Rome -IRCA)</i>	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	2,000,000 ALL
<p><u>Project:</u> My Health is valuable</p> <p><u>Implementation area:</u> Shkoder</p>	<p>STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities</p>	Association for Roma Integration <i>(Shoqata Rome per integrim)</i>	1 April 2017	31 July 2018	1,990,600 ALL
<p><u>Project:</u> Together with medical staff to end discrimination</p> <p><u>Implementation area:</u> Tirane</p>	<p>STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities</p>	Disutni Albania	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	1,896,000 ALL
<p><u>Project:</u> Improving access to health services</p> <p><u>Implementation area:</u> Tirane</p>	<p>STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement)</p>	Sfinksi Association <i>(Shoqata Sfinksi)</i>	1 April 2017	30 June 2018	1,700,000 ALL

	For Non-Credit Related Activities				
<u>Project:</u> Vocational training, employment and self-employment – as a tool for economic empowerment and social welfare of Egyptian community. <u>Implementation area:</u> Administrative Unit no.6 in Tirana	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	Equality and Integration (<i>Barazi dhe Integrim</i>)	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	1,944,000 ALL
<u>Project:</u> Integration of Roma and Egyptian children in Shkodra through education <u>Implementation area:</u> Shkoder	STANDARD MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Micro-Capital Grant Agreement) For Non-Credit Related Activities	Integration of Northern Roma (<i>Integrimi i Romeve te Veriut</i>)	1 April 2017	30 September 2018	1,965,810 ALL