

The Clearing House*



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Currently, we are concentrating our efforts on establishing an efficient counselling system for Belarusian CSOs aimed at increasing their competences in project development and application writing.

More than 250 CSOs

participated in trainings and information days organised within the Clearing House.

32 organisations

have received individual counselling support from the project consultants in preparation of project proposals.

532 CSO representatives

receive information about different European opportunities.

May 2012

June 2012

6

regional trainings

for Belarusian CSOs on increasing competences in project development and application writing for the EC call for proposals "Non-State Actors and Local Authorities in Development" (NSA&LA 2012)

120

representatives

more than **80 CSOs**

4

consultants

provided additional counselling support with the preparation of project proposals for the NSA&LA 2012 call for proposals

16

organisations

received additional counselling support with preparation of concept notes and full

Aims of the trainings

Capacity building of Belarusian CSOs

Increasing their ability to work with European support mechanisms

Coaching CSOs on how to prepare project proposals

Introducing the monitoring and evaluation system to the participants

After a series of trainings and individual consultations the project team conducted a survey of participants to evaluate the impact of the Clearing House in terms of support provided to Belarusian CSOs

In total

65

organisations participated in the survey

or

78%

of all the participants of the regional trainings and consultations

4 Brest
2 Vitsebsk
14 Homel
11 Hrodna
25 Minsk
09 Mahiliou



Survey Results

Do you consider such trainings to be useful for your organisational activities?



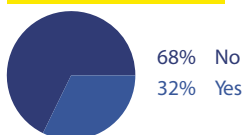
Have you already applied the received knowledge/skills?



Are you planning to participate in other calls for proposals?



Have you applied for the NSA&LA 2012 call for proposals or any other calls?



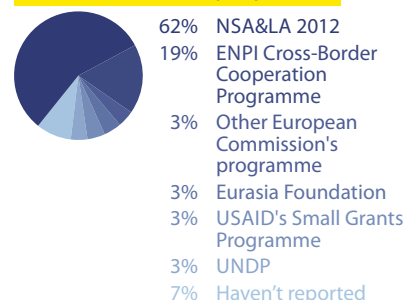
Which additional support do you need?

- Counselling and training support on project development and proposal writing
- Information support on grant opportunities
- More opportunities to voice the needs and priorities of Belarusian CSOs to corresponding donors and international organisations

Which other topics of the trainings would be of interest for your CSO?

- Specific for the thematic sector in which CSO operates
- Preparation of project proposals, logical framework approach
- Information days on various calls for proposals
- Budgeting
- Assistance in search for international/local partners

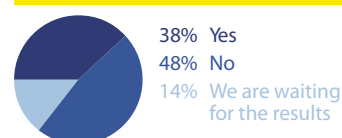
For which call for proposals?



Who has been the main applicant?

- [2] Organisation participant of the training
- [5] Foreign partner
- [1] Other organisation

Has the project been supported?



In the LOT 1 "Non-State Actors in Development" **three** of the consulted by the project CSOs received funding (out of 9 projects supported under the NSA&LA in 2012 in the LOT 1).

In 2012 for the first time LOT 2 "Local Authorities in Development" has been fully funded (3 projects in total). **One** of the organisations whose project has been approved for funding participated in the trainings and received individual counselling support from the project consultants.