



European Youth Foundation
2022-2023 Structural Grants
Allocation criteria
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I. Eligibility criteria

International youth NGOs (branches in at least seven member States of the European Youth Foundation) and international networks (composed of at least seven member organisations from at least seven member states of the European Youth Foundation)

- with a European structure or a European secretariat;
- having received support during the 3 previous years (reference period: 2019, 2020 and 2021) for at least 3 international activities (EYF grant or study session in the annual programme of the European Youth Centres);
- having received EYF grants in at least 2 out of the 3 years of the reference period.

The following are considered as support for international activities:

- an EYF grant for an international one-off activity;
- an EYF grant for an annual work plan (the number of international activities within a work plan will be taken into account up to a maximum of 2 per work plan)¹;
- one study session in the programme of the European Youth Centres (Strasbourg or Budapest) during the three-year reference period.

An international organisation/network is not eligible if:

- it has been supported only for study sessions during the reference period;
- it did not receive any EYF grant during the two most recent years of the reference period (2020 and 2021);
- it has received EYF grants for only one year during the reference period.

II. Method of calculation

1. Quantitative criteria

- a. Grants received from the EYF and support to study sessions in the EYCs during the three previous years: past relations with the EYF**

For each reference year 2019, 2020 and 2021 a maximum of 8 points can be allocated: 6 points for an annual work plan and 2 points for an international activity (up to 4 points if no work plan granted). Pilot activities will not be considered, as international NGOs and networks are not eligible for this category.

The maximum number of points for this criterion is 24 points (8 for each reference year).

¹ For example, if an organisation did not have an EYF grant in 2019, but had a work plan with 2 international activities in 2020 and a work plan with one international activity in 2021, it will be eligible. On the other hand, if it had a work plan with one international activity in 2019 and a work plan with one international activity in 2021, and no other EYF grant or study session, it will not be eligible.

b. Number of signatory States of the European Cultural Convention in which the organisation/network applying for a grant has branches or members: recognition of the European dimension of the organisation/network

Each international organisation/network is awarded 1 point for each member state of the Council of Europe in which it has one or more branches/members (minimum 7 points / maximum of 47 points).

In addition, each organisation/network is awarded 1 point for each of the 3 non-Council of Europe member states signatory to the European Cultural Convention (Belarus, Kazakhstan and Holy See) in which it has one or more branches/members (3 countries, maximum of 3 points).

In total for this criterion: minimum 7 points, maximum 50 points.

c. Staff employed by the European structure or secretariat of the applicant organisation/network: direct link with a financial need

Each international organisation/network is awarded 5 points if it employs staff (regardless of the number of employees, wages and number of working hours). The organisation/network must provide proof of employment.

2. Qualitative criteria

d. Evaluation of the strategic approach of the organisation/network: support to the political priorities defined by the Joint Council on Youth

Each organisation/network is awarded a maximum of 40 points based on the assessment of the strategic approach and the activity plan of the applying organisation/network in relation to the priorities defined by the Joint Council on Youth for the biennium in question.

For 2022-2023, the Joint Council on Youth agreed on 4 priorities:

1. Revitalising pluralistic democracy;
2. Young people's access to rights;
3. Living together in peaceful and inclusive societies;
4. Youth work.

Each priority is expressed through one expected result and several programme orientations.

The applying organisation/network, if eligible, will receive a qualitative mark of up to 10 points for each expected result, according to how it is reflected in their planning.

3. Amount of the grant

Eligible organisations can request a maximum annual grant of €25 000, i.e. a maximum of €50 000 for two years. The actual amount granted will be calculated on the basis of the above criteria. If the grant is awarded for 2022, the same amount will be awarded in principle for 2023, based on the validation by the EYF of an interim report after one year.