

## PROJECT SYNOPSIS

<b>Project title:</b>	Technical Assistance for improving the enabling environment for Civil Society Organizations in the Republic of North Macedonia
<b>Project number:</b>	EuropeAid/140131/DH/SER/MK
<b>Project start date:</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
<b>Project duration:</b>	30 months

### Overall objective:

The overall objective of the project is strengthening the civil society effectiveness by improving the enabling environment for civil society, at central and local level, and by structured CSOs cooperation with public institutions and business community in the country.

### Purpose:

**Purpose 1:** to support and monitor the government and civil society organisations in enhancing the CSOs enabling legal, policy and financial environment on central and local level;

**Purpose 2:** to support small and grassroots' civil society in tailor made capacity building and in CSOs' activities focusing on dialogue, cooperation and partnership between CSOs, public institutions and/or the business community.

### Components:

**Component 1:** Support the implementation of the main objectives from the Government Strategy for Cooperation with civil society (2018-2020) – Priority I;

**Component 2:** Support for the implementation of Priority III of the Strategy & Tailored and direct support for Civil Society Organisations.

### Expected results:

**Result 1.1:** Government financial and administrative support to CSOs is provided in a transparent, accountable, fair and non-discriminatory manner;

**Result 1.2:** Government established a well-structured and efficient mechanism/s for consultation and cooperation with the civil society on sectorial policies and future EU negotiations;

**Result 2.1:** Increased organisational and fundraising capacities of CSOs on central and local level;

**Result 2.2:** Local and grassroots CSOs regularly network and make use of coalition-building for increased impact in lobbying and policy advocacy;

**Result 2.3:** Involvement of and cooperation between civil society, government and public institutions and business community is increased.

### Target groups:

Civil society organisations, networks, platforms, civic initiatives and active citizens, central and local government authorities, and business communities.

The members of the Council for Cooperation with and development of civil sector and the Unit of Cooperation with NGOs of the General Secretariat represent also the target group and are key beneficiaries of this project.

