



**Malta-EU Steering  
& Action Committee**

# Accessing EU Funding Opportunities

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# The Role of MEUSAC

- To engage civil society in the EU decision-making process and maintain dialogue between those participating in the EU decision-making processes
- To actively support NGOs and local councils in their participation in EU programmes and funding
- To provide plain and simple information to the public on Malta's positions within the EU and its institutions as well as the rights Maltese citizens have as EU citizens



# The Role of MEUSAC: EU FUNDING

- One-to-one meetings with potential beneficiaries to discuss project proposals and identify EU funding possibilities
- Practical advice related to project planning and design whilst ensuring eligibility of projects in relation to the EU Funding Programmes being considered for financing
- Provision of specific technical assistance to help beneficiaries in drawing up funding applications
- Facilitating partner searches

# Why apply for EU funds?

Provide a form of  
**complimentary  
financing**

Contribute towards the EU's  
**Europe 2020 targets**

Provide an opportunity to  
establish  
**new partnerships**

Provide an opportunity  
**to grow**



# EU FUNDS

## Direct Funds:

- Managed by the European Commission
- Compete with other European countries
- Same priorities for all participating countries

## Indirect Funds:

- Managed by the National Authorities
- Competes with other local organisations
- Different priorities according to the needs of each participating country



# EU Funding Opportunities

European Regional  
Development Fund  
*Infrastructural Investments*

Europe for Citizens  
*Civic engagement*

## EU FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES 2014-2020

Erasmus+  
*Education, Training, Youth,  
Sport*

European Social Fund  
*Investment in human capital*

Asylum, Migration &  
Integration Fund  
*Migration & Integration*

Rights, Equality and  
Citizenship Programme  
*Equality & rights of persons*



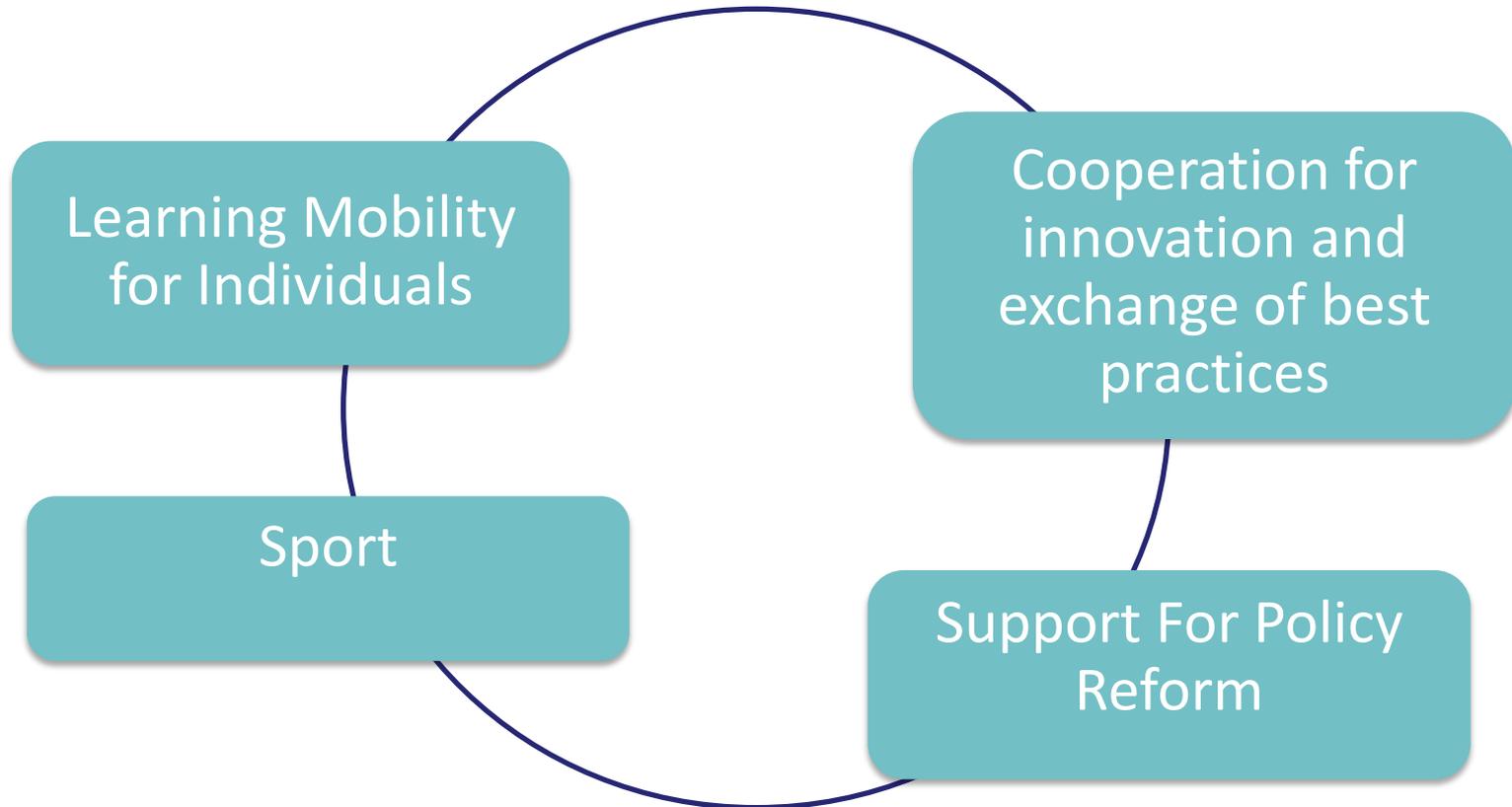
# Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme

## Type of Eligible Activities

- Capacity building and training for professionals
- Specific support programmes targeting in particular some of the most vulnerable victims of gender-based violence who are refugees and migrants, people with disabilities, Roma, persons belonging to national, ethnic or religious minorities, LGBTI, elderly women, homeless women;
- mutual learning, identification and exchange of good practices, development of working methods, including referral methods, which are transferable to other participating countries, as well as their practical implementation;
- Awareness-raising activities, training and sharing of best practice among practitioners and/or support services about the rights of victims of gender-based violence and about the protection



# Erasmus+



# Europe for Citizens - Civil Society Projects

- This measure supports projects implemented by transnational partnerships promoting opportunities for solidarity, societal engagement and volunteering at Union level.
- Projects should consist in stimulating and organising reflection, debates or other activities related to the annual priority themes of the Programme.
- A CSP must include at **least 2 of these 3** activities in the project:
  - promotion of societal engagement and solidarity
  - gathering of opinions
  - volunteering
- Maximum eligible grant for a project is **€150,000**.
- The allocated budget for a project depends on the number of participants and the number of countries participating in the project.



# European Regional Development Fund

- Priority Axis 1: Investing in research, technological development and innovation
- Priority Axis 2: Consolidating investment within the ICT sector
- Priority Axis 3: Enhancing Malta's competitiveness through investment in SMEs
- Priority Axis 4: Shifting towards a low-carbon economy
- Priority Axis 5: Protecting our environment – investing in natural and cultural assets
- Priority Axis 6: Sustainable Urban Development
- Priority Axis 7: Shifting towards a more low-carbon transport sector
- Priority Axis 8: Investing towards a more socially-inclusive society
- Priority Axis 9: Developing our future through education, training and lifelong learning
- Priority Axis 10: Investing in a more environmentally-friendly society
- Priority Axis 11: Investing in TEN-T Infrastructure
- Priority Axis 12: Technical Assistance



# European Social Fund

Priority Axis 1: Investing in the employability and adaptability of human capital

Priority Axis 2: **Towards a more inclusive society**

Priority Axis 3: Investing in people through Education, Training and Life Long Learning

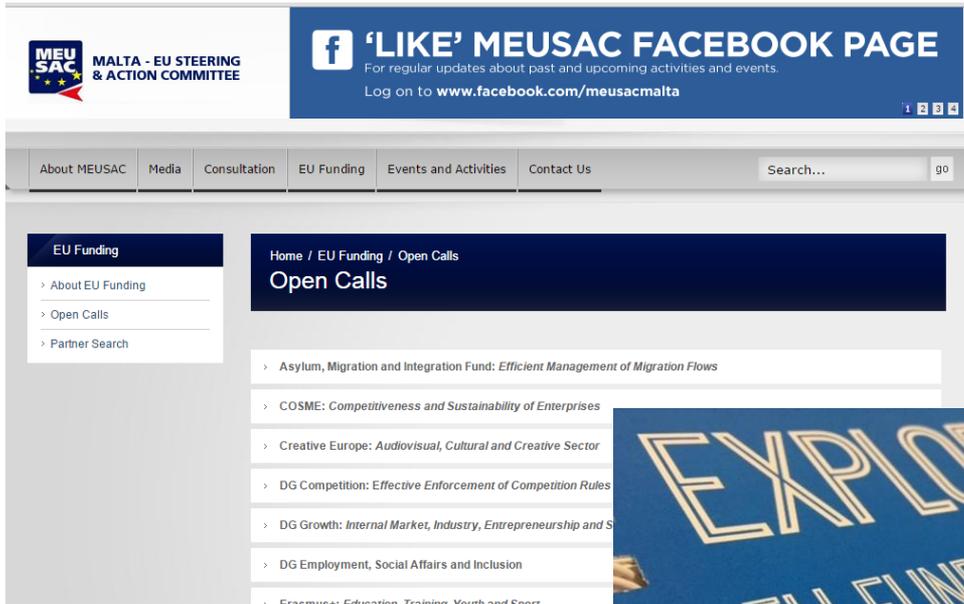
Priority Axis 4: Building the Institutional Administrative Capacity

Priority Axis 5: Technical Assistance



*‘An EU grant is not a gift, but a contribution of funding conditional on the implementation of planned activities within a given timeframe and budget.’*

# Information Tools



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- > DG Growth: *Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs*
- > DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
- > Erasmus+ *Education, Training Youth and Sport*



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Join the Erasmus+ funded BTiMub (BTM) - Multilateral Training Course for newcomers in youth exchanges in Norway on October 21 - 25. The course offers an international learning experience for practitioners active in youth work, enabling them to develop their competences in setting up quality Youth Exchange projects. More: <http://bit.ly/1GDmR0C>

192 people reached

Malta EU Steering & Action Committee (MEUSAC) shared European Year for Development 2015's album



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