

GRANTS AWARDED
BY EAST EUROPE FOUNDATION MOLDOVA DURING 2013 FINANCIAL YEAR

PROGRAM: CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION AND OVERSIGHT

1. Asociația Obștească pentru Copii și Tineret "Făclia"

Grant amount: **4,490.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 15/05/2014

"ACT against corruption" is a project that will build corruption intolerance among youth from Ungheni by involving them directly in project activities. A group of "Community Guards" will be created consisting of young people that will organize anti-corruption campaigns within Ungheni. Another group of 30 young people will be mentored by a professional in social theatre and how to use this tool as a social intervention instrument in fighting against corruption. The performance will be showed in 12 educational institutions from Ungheni district. This kind of anti-corruption intervention tools will be used in Ungheni district for the first time and will stimulate youth participation at social life of the community. As an outcome of the project activities 1500 youth will be informed and further will use their skills to implement anti-corruption action plan in partnership with National Anti-Corruption Center. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

2. AO "Institutul pentru Democrație"

Grant amount: **4,493.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 31/05/2014

"Fight against Corruption in the Education System of Gagauzia" is a project proposal aiming to decrease the level of corruption in education system of Gagauzia by organizing a series of activities within 4 educational institutions from Gagauzia region: survey of students, publication of the United Nations Convention against Corruption; publication of leaflets "STOP Corruption", organization of anti-corruption civic education for Gagauzian students (anti-corruption seminars for students), creation of the 2 anonymous anti-corruption boxes in the Gagauzian educational institutions (for students) etc. As a result it is expected that the level of dishonesty and corruption in education system of Gagauzia will decrease. At the same time the intolerance of the Gagauzian students to the corruption will be increased. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

3. AO Agenția pentru Dezvoltare Regională "Habitat"

Grant amount: **4,500.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 27/06/2014

"In Orhei region – GATA" (Governance, Anticorruption, Transparency and Attitude) will increase the level of involvement of NGOs, mass-media, taxpayers and other citizens from Rezina, Orhei, Telenesti and Soldanesti districts in prevention and fighting against corruption, promoting transparency and accountability of local elected for a good governance at regional and local levels. This goal will be achieved through a close cooperation with local media outlets in implementing advocacy and raising awareness actions, elaboration of public policies in a participatory manner, e series of public cafés etc. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

4. AO "Terra-1530"

Grant amount: **4,395.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 14/04/2014

"Terra-1530" aims to contribute to elaboration, adoption and further on monitoring the implementation of the Local Anticorruption Strategy for Galesti village from Straseni district. To achieve the ambitious aim several anti-corruption activities will be carried on: a campaign for encouraging incomes and proprieties' transparency of LPA's representatives from Galesti and a series of articles in organization's publication "Adevarul" ("The Truth") regarding official's and decision makers' integrity. At the same time the organization will make a monitoring of the decisions to be taken by LPA from the corruptibility perspective. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

5. AO "Alianța Studenților din Moldova"

Grant amount: **4,492.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 14/06/2014

Through the "Corruption is not an option" project, Students' Alliance of Moldova is planning to decrease the level of corruption tolerance among 1500 students of the State University from Comrat. The main activities include 2 opinion polls at the beginning and end of the project, discussions and presentations in an informal and innovative format, an initiative group of 10 students will be created which will further benefit of 5 trainings and one workshop. A one-month anti-corruption campaign will be organized and will inform at least 1500 persons about negative effects of corruption. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

6. AO "AXIS"

Grant amount: **4,498.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 14/06/2014

"Preventing the increase of corruption level in Cahul" is a project aiming to limit the corruption level in the town through a series of information and awareness raising activities. The project will involve 8 young people from the town in „Anti-corruption social theatre”; 7 information sessions will be held in educational institutions of Cahul; the public procurement procedures of Cahul local administration will be analyzed and improvements proposed; and over 25 media materials will be distributed within local media outlets. It is expected that as a direct result the young people will understand the negative social effects of the corruption and public officials will be more responsible during public procurement process. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

7. AO "Centrul pentru Apărarea Drepturilor Pacienților și Invalizilor"

Grant amount: **4,500.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 14/05/2014

The project proposal will monitor the execution of Court of Accounts' decisions for the last 3 years by district public hospitals from Straseni, Calarasi, Glodeni, Ceadar-Lunga, Drochia and Cahul. The initiative fits within the Anti-corruption Alliance Strategy for 2013-2015 being included in the Action Plan. The project will bring a considerable contribution to the execution of Court of Accounts' decisions, development of a legal anti-corruption framework in medical sphere and defending patients' rights in local courts or through the European Court of Human Rights. The most outstanding project results will be reflected in different media sources as well as on organization's web page – www.cadpi.org.md. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund

within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

8. IP "Clinica Juridică Universitară"

Grant amount: **4,483.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/11/2013 – 14/06/2014

The project will improve public procurement process within local administrations of 5 north towns of Moldova - Sangerei, Falesti, Floresti, Glodeni, Rascani. As a follow up of implemented actions, the conflict of interests between public workers and business community will decrease. In the same time an anti-corruption expertise of decisions taken within public procurement process will be conducted and the results will be presented in a final report. It worth to mention the considerable number of volunteers to be involved, who will develop their capacities to monitor the decision making process and thus will stay active citizens by showing an important level of civic responsibility. The funding for this initiative is provided by the United Nations Democracy Fund within the project "Civil Society to Monitor and Contribute to Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policies in Moldova".

9. AO "Centrul Analitic Independent EXPERT-GRUP"

Grant amount: **39,649.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 25/11/2013 – 15/07/2015

This is a project designed to boost the institutional development of Expert Group, a prominent think tank from the Republic of Moldova. The project will facilitate the transition of Expert Group from being a "bunker"-type, quasi-academic research institute towards a modern independent policy research institute, whose products and publications are relevant and needed by both policy and business stakeholders and are, in the same time, friendly to the general, non-economically minded general public. Expert Group will produce economic publications and expert notes that would trigger public discussion on the economic policies affecting Moldova and will bolster the relevance and transparency of public policies by promoting alternative and independent policy analysis for the use of decision-makers in government, international organizations, academia and the society at large. Expert Group will issue monthly, biannual and annual publication depicting the major economic trends and provide a thorough analysis and evaluation of economic policies, while the ad-hoc short analytical notes will be a quick reaction to random economic events that affect the Moldovan economy and society and require immediate policy measures. The recommendations will mobilize the stakeholders around important decisions in economic policy. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

10. AO "Asociația pentru Politică Externă"

Grant amount: **61,457.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 02/12/2013 – 30/04/2015

The project aims to strengthen the institutional capacity and sustainability of the Foreign Policy Association of Moldova, a prominent think tank from Moldova active in developing alternative expertise and policy input in shaping the foreign and security policies, as well as European integration of Moldova. The project will facilitate the transition of FPA towards a modern independent, mission-oriented policy research institute. FPA will be empowered to intervene timely into the policy process with a number of periodical publications depicting the major trends in the foreign and security policies and European integration while the ad-hoc analytical studies will be a quick reaction to random events that affect Moldova, its European integration and the resolution of the conflict in Transnistria. The recommendations put forth by the publications will mobilize the stakeholders around important decisions in economic policy. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

11. AO "Centrul de Analiză și Prevenire a Corupției"

Grant amount: **40,116.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 02/12/2013 – 01/12/2014

The project aims to strengthen the institutional capacity and sustainability of the Centre for Analysis and Prevention of Corruption, aiming at facilitating the efficient intervention of CAPC in the process of policy elaborating and monitoring, establishing the tools and the relevant analytical products which are necessary for informing the society regarding such phenomena as conflicts of interest and policies of increasing government's transparency and integrity. The project "Transparency and Integrity in Governance" will ensure effective implementation of the legal framework regarding conflicts of interest through updating and consolidating the information from the "Fair Play" data base, informing the wide public with respect to the professional track, patrimonial situation and the activities of state officials from local and central level, as well the evolution of state institutions in Moldova. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

12. AO "Centrul de Resurse Juridice"

Grant amount: **57,057.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 02/12/2013 – 31/03/2015

The project aims to strengthen the institutional capacity and sustainability of the Legal Resources Centre from Moldova (LRCM), as one of the main non-governmental organization in Moldova that promotes best international standards in the fields of justice and human rights. It will also contribute to the improvement of responsibility and efficiency of the justice system and respect of human right in Moldova. The project will allow LRCM to increase its visibility, strengthen internal management, improve fundraising capacities and fortify human resources. The Centre will also continue its work aimed at monitoring and reporting about justice reform in Moldova, effective implementation of the ECtHR judgments by Moldova and improvement of human rights protection mechanisms in Moldova. The project also seeks to support the strengthening of the LRCM as an organization and become a reputable and sustainable think tank. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

13. CNSIPF Parteneriat pentru Dezvoltare

Grant amount: **34,354.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 02/12/2013 – 31/07/2015

The project aims at facilitating the transformation of the CPD into a think tank which will effectively intervene in the process of creating and monitoring public policies, create relevant analytical products which are necessary for informing the society in respects to gender issues in the process of implementing governmental and social policies. The CPD will develop publications, studies, policy proposals and it will promote public discussions on gender policy in Moldova, aiming at increasing the relevance and the transparency of such topics, and offer independent alternative analysis for the decision makers from government institutions, international organizations, researchers and the wide public. The project will support CPD in implementing its institutional development plan, which will allow the organization to specialize in analytical fields of great priority, strengthen its organizational capacities and ensure the sustainability of the CPD's human and financial resources. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

14. AO "Promo-LEX"

Grant amount: **19,845.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 02/12/2013 – 15/12/2014

The project "Monitoring Justice Sector Reform for Increased Government's Accountability" is aimed to strengthen the capacity of Promo-Lex Association as a think tank that facilitates and mobilizes the civil society to perform democratic oversight of the reform processes undertaken in the Republic of

Moldova. Promo-Lex will take the lead in developing independent monitoring tools, increasing public interest towards this major reform and creating a solid platform for continuous oversight activities by the civil society in the justice but also other sectors in the future. Within this action, Promo-Lex will facilitate the development of independent monitoring & evaluation methodologies, design specific advocacy tools and build the capacities of civil society to use these tools to assure an open and independent monitoring the implementation of the justice reform process in Moldova. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark as a co-support for the ongoing project run from September 2012 mainly supported by the European Union.

15. Transparency International – Moldova

Grant amount: **55,986.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 02/12/2013 – 31/03/2015

The project aims to strengthen the institutional capacity and sustainability of Transparency International Moldova, a prominent think tank from Moldova active promoting transparency, democracy and accountability as the main ways to prevent corruption. The project will facilitate the transition of Transparency International- Moldova towards a strong independent, mission-focused policy research organization. The action will empower the organization to intervene timely into the policy process with a number of periodical publications and ad-hoc position papers as both comprehensive research on the implementation of anti-corruption policies and quick reactions to specific corruption and conflict of interest cases. The recommendations put forth by the publications will mobilize the stakeholders around important decisions in anticorruption policy. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

16. Alianța Organizațiilor pentru Persoane cu Dizabilități din Republica Moldova

Grant amount: **29,991.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 02/12/2013 – 01/12/2014

The project aims to increase the quality of life of people with disabilities through changing public opinion and attitudes towards them and cooperation with state institutions for creating an environment of equal opportunities. By this project, the Alliance's Secretariat and its Members' capacities will be improved so they will be able to positively influence state policies in the field of protection of people with disabilities rights. At the same time, the Independent Monitoring Mechanism of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will be supported. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

17. AO "Promo-LEX"

Grant amount: **26,498.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 16/12/2013 – 15/12/2014

The project aims to promote free and fair elections in Moldova by supporting institutional development and capacities' increase of the Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections. To achieve this aim, within pre-electoral period the Coalition will revitalize its members' activism through re-registration, adoption of a new rules of procedures, elaboration of Strategic Action Plan for 2014-2016 and improving internal and external communication. From the programmatic perspective, the Coalition will improve its members and Secretariat capacities to promote the principles of free and fair elections during entire electoral cycle but with special focus on pre-electoral periods. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

18. AO "Consiliul Național al Tineretului din Moldova"

Grant amount: **24,273.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 16/12/2013 – 15/08/2015

The "Support for institutional and analytical development of National Youth Council (CNTM)" project proposal aims to ensure that youth needs and interests are fair represented towards public institutions, based on policies recommendation and proposals generated after monitoring processes. The project activities will be based on 2 main pillars, on one hand CNTM's Secretariat will be supported and on the other hand the Member Organizations will benefit on capacity building and assistance in order to make advocacy and representing their constituencies' needs and ideas. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

19. AO "JCI Chișinău"

Grant amount: **21,027.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 16/12/2013 – 31/05/2015

The project "Entrepreneurship and civic engagement" aims to develop entrepreneurship in the Republic of Moldova and inspire young entrepreneurs to engage in civic activities and social responsibility. Implemented activities will increase JCI Moldova network up to 8 regional organizations, coach and mentor about 450 members and launching at least 10 new businesses in different Moldovan regions. Also the organization will intense its involvement on public governmental agenda as well as on local administrations' agenda. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

20. AO "Centrul European "Pro-Europa" din Comrat"

Grant amount: **26,185.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/07/2013 – 31/07/2014

The project is designed to secure access to information on European Integration, EU affairs, policies and practices for citizens from Gagauzia Region of Moldova. The grantee will continue providing information and training activities at the European Interactive Center, which was established in 2006 in Comrat city. Targeting students, youth, women, teachers, local government officials, business groups, and other interested groups, the center will continue to act as a platform for information and discussion on issues related to European integration. As a result of the project, the public will be more informed and more engaged in EU-related issues such as EU affairs, work and education in EU countries, and EU regulations affecting Moldova. The funding for this initiative is provided by Eurasia Foundation, Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

PROGRAM: PROMOTE INDEPENDENCE AND QUALITY OF MEDIA REPORTING

21. Asociația Presei Independente

Grant amount: **21,257.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/02/2013 – 05/05/2014

The goal of the project is to strengthen the quality of journalism and to promote the journalistic good practices in Moldova through ensuring the functioning of the Press Council as a self-regulatory mechanism that settles amicably conflicts arising between readers and the media. To reach this goal, the Press Council will seek to have the conflicts solved by using media regulation tools, by editing a set of good practices guide for media actors and by informing both media consumers and journalists about the benefits of this self-regulatory mechanism. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

PROGRAM: FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS

22. AO "Promo-LEX"

Grant amount: **7,767.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 11/03/2013 – 18/06/2013

The project seeks to strengthen the capacities of non-governmental organisations to monitor political party and campaign finance. Exploring the good practices available in the region, Promo-Lex will develop a methodology for monitoring financing of electoral contestants. The document will be publicly consulted with relevant actors. Based on the developed methodology, the grantee will train 50 representatives of local NGOs, members of the domestic election observation network. Participants will be enabled to use the acquired knowledge by monitoring electoral contestants' funding during the local electoral processes due in May 2013. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

23. Alianța Centrelor Comunitare de Acces la Informație și Instruire din Moldova

Grant amount: **6,716.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/10/2013 – 31/12/2013

The goal of the project is to improve the quality of electoral processes in Moldova and to ensure the inclusion of people with disabilities in the direct and secret voting process through training of local electoral commissioners. Building on its previous experience, the grantee will develop and pilot, in partnership with the Central Electoral Commission, an online training programme for the electoral servants. The training programme will be developed from a human rights perspective, with due emphasis on the inclusion of persons with disabilities. Based on the piloted training program with approximately 100 electoral servants, the organisation will adjust and fine-tune the program for future use by CEC. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

24. Centrul de Resurse pentru Tineret "DACIA" – Soroca Youth Bank

Grant amount: **11,684.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/07/2013 – 15/01/2014

The project aims at building the capacities of both the local youth and their mentor organizations and enables them to design and implement a series of small grant programmes targeting youth's problems in Soroca district. The project is based on the Youth Bank methodology, which is an innovative grant making initiative run by young people for young people. A notable feature of the 2012-2016 programs run by East Europe Foundation will be the inclusion of young people from vulnerable and marginalized groups, both as members of the Youth Bank and of youth initiative groups engaging communities in youth-led projects. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

25. Asociația de Tineret "Șansa" – Varnita Youth Bank

Grant amount: **9,455.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/07/2013 – 31/01/2014

The project aims at building the capacities of both the local youth and their mentor organizations and enables them to design and implement a series of small grant programmes targeting youth's problems in Varnita community. The project is based on the Youth Bank methodology, which is an innovative grant making initiative run by young people for young people. A notable feature of the 2012-2016 program run by East Europe Foundation will be the inclusion of young people from vulnerable and marginalized groups, both as members of the Youth Bank and of youth initiative groups engaging communities in youth-led projects. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

26. Consiliul Regional al Tineretului din Găgăuzia – Gagauzia Youth Bank

Grant amount: **10,527.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/07/2013 – 31/01/2014

The project contributes to integrating marginalized, discouraged and emigration-prone youth in Moldova by inspiring and enabling young people to become respected agents of community development. The project builds the capacities of both the local youth and their mentor organizations and enables them to design and implement a series of small grant programmes targeting youth's problems in communities. The project is based on the Youth Bank methodology, which is an innovative grant making initiative run by young people for young people. A notable feature of the 2012-2016 program run by East Europe Foundation will be the inclusion of young people from vulnerable and marginalized groups, both as members of the Youth Bank and of youth initiative groups engaging communities in youth-led projects. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

27. AO C.I.S.T.E. "CERTITUDINE" – Balti Youth Bank

Grant amount: **10,900.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/07/2013 – 24/01/2014

The project builds the capacities of both the local youth and their mentor organizations and enables them to design and implement a series of small grant programmes targeting youth's problems in Balti district. The project is based on the Youth Bank methodology, which is an innovative grant making initiative run by young people for young people. A notable feature of the 2012-2016 program run by East Europe Foundation will be the inclusion of young people from vulnerable and marginalized groups, both as members of the Youth Bank and of youth initiative groups engaging communities in

youth-led projects. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

28. AO “Eco-Răzeni” – Ialoveni Youth Bank

Grant amount: **41,995.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/11/2013 – 31/01/2017

The project builds the capacities of both the local youth and their mentor organizations and enables them to design and implement a series of small community granting programs targeting the problems of youth in their respective locations. The project is based on the Youth Bank methodology, which is an innovative grant making initiative run by young people for young people. A notable feature of the 2012-2014 projects will be the inclusion of young people from vulnerable and marginalized groups, both as members of the Youth Bank of youth initiative groups engaging communities in youth-led projects. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

PROGRAM: SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS TO NEEDS OF VULNERABLE GOUPS

29. AO “Centrul Media pentru Tineri”

Grant amount: **4,938.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/07/2013 – 31/12/2013

The project aims to increase the knowledge of children with disabilities about their rights and to raise awareness about the inclusion of children with special needs in community life. The project foresees organizing a competition for teams of children with and without special needs, which will produce 10 videos with the participation of 20 children from two rayons of the country - Cahul and Criuleni, thus giving the children with special needs the opportunity to claim their rights, raising the awareness of public and decision makers about the need to accept these children, promoting their rights along with all children. Also, this project will support the Government's efforts to provide equal opportunities for every child in the country. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

30. AO “Centrul Național de Prevenire a Abuzului față de Copii”

Grant amount: 4,980.00 USD

Period of implementation: 15/10/2013 – 30/11/2013

The project has the goal to decrease the violence and abuse against children in the Republic of Moldova by improving the policies in this field and by strengthening the capacities of professionals working in child protection, child violence prevention and assisting the victims of abuse. Within this project, the National Center for Preventing the Abuse against Children will organize the International Conference „Children victims of violence: systemic approach of prevention of child abuse, neglect and exploitation ”, where best practices from European countries will be presented and the innovative models and approaches will be discussed among professionals working in the field. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

PROGRAM: SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

31. *Centrul CONTACT*

Grant amount: **8,486.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 11/03/2013 – 10/09/2013

“Development of social entrepreneurship in Moldova” is a project oriented to develop the capacities of 60 potential social entrepreneurs and increase the awareness level of 30 representatives of Local Public Administration (APL) from beneficiaries’ communities. The project beneficiaries will improve their knowledge regarding social entrepreneurship, social inclusion of marginalized groups, business-plan development, establishment and management of social enterprise, social entrepreneurship promotion as a way to increase the income of vulnerable groups etc. This knowledge will facilitate further development of social enterprises started by project beneficiaries. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

32. AO Centrul de Impresariat "Sens Muzical"

Grant amount: **10,000.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 15/07/2013 – 14/10/2013

The project is designed to empower Trebujeni and Butuceni communities from Orhei region around socio-economic development through the ethno-folkloric festival "GUSTAR. In partnership with other organizations, the grantee will organize the festival "GUSTAR" in the Orheiul Vechi touristic reservation, strengthening linkages between inhabitants and various actors from the field of agro-tourism, crafts, and artists and carry out various promotion activities for a higher visibility of the festival. Communities will also be mobilized to promote a healthier environment, through a parking station for bicycles. The project will foster the development of a cross-cultural communication platform for rural tourism entrepreneurs, craftspeople, artists, local and international tourists for the establishment of commercial and partnership relations with potential investors and will help promote healthier leisure time spending for visitors. The grantee will also promote the social inclusion of persons with disabilities, ensuring proper access to the event and adequate facilities for persons with disabilities. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

33. AO "Societatea Scriitorilor Români din Basarabia"

Grant amount: **4,992.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 03/06/2013 – 02/06/2014

The project is designed to increase the access of citizens from the Republic of Moldova, especially of pupils, students and professors to information about the European Union values, standards and practices, with specific focus on the progress of Moldovan authorities in the process of European Integration. The grantee will produce an innovative media product - the "European Idea" newspaper supplement which will be distributed via Basarabia Literara Newspaper throughout the country. The user-friendly content of the supplement will increase citizens' awareness and buy in for pro-European reforms. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

34. AO Synergetica Eur-Est

Grant amount: **19,700.00 USD**

Period of implementation: 01/10/2013 – 31/12/2013

The project aims to boost the development of the civil society, by engaging the representatives of this sector in a new discussion platform – Civic Fest, which supports social entrepreneurship, social responsibility and civic volunteerism. Through this initiative, best European practices will be promoted and shared within a 3-days event organized in Chisinau with participation of Moldovan and European NGO representatives, businesses and international community. This way, civil society actors will become more active in the field, by developing and implementing new initiatives based on the experiences shared during the event. The project will foster the development of a multicultural and multidimensional communication platform for the actors of Moldovan civil society and their European counterparts. The funding for this initiative is provided by Sweden and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.