CALL FOR PROPOSALS

I. Background

A 3-year DEAR-funded (Development Education and Awareness Raising programme of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Development and Cooperation) **'Make Europe Sustainable for All'** project combines the expertise and experience of 25 partners from 14 EU countries, EU and global networks. Its approach responds to the needs for the meaningful, participative and legitimate Agenda 2030 implementation and the necessity of global, holistic and integrated actions, working from the global to the local level.

Its aim is to promote the implementation of Agenda 2030 by and in the EU, making the EU and European governments accountable and ambitious in their implementation. As a project it seeks to strengthen the European network SDG Watch Europe and support national civil society coalitions, as well as building capacity of local and national CSOs and implementing awareness-raising and policy campaigns at both European and national level. We want to substantially increase awareness amongst EU citizens and policymakers about their roles and responsibilities in working for a sustainable future, the transition to more sustainable lifestyles and developing and promoting coherent policies. By encouraging the participation and cooperation of all civil society sectors, we want to ensure that sustainability is at the centre of decision- and policies-making, guaranteeing that no one is left behind.

One of the key components of the project is the **provision of grants (sub-granting scheme) to local groups, grass-root organisations, and other civil society actors working at the local level**. These grants aim to strengthen the capacities of local groups, and to raise awareness of the transformative role SDGs can have for every EU citizen and their role in promoting the Agenda 2030.

The project approach is to tackle all 17 SDGs, reflecting on their inter-linkages and interdependencies through the diverse European, national and local actions with a special focus on the three thematic campaigns of i) Fighting Inequalities, ii) Sustainable Food and Agriculture, and iii) Sustainable Consumption & Production. In each of these thematic campaigns, the cross-cutting issues on Gender, Migration and Climate change will be integrated. For more information on campaigns and project please visit: *www.makeeuropesustainableforall.org*

In Ireland, the 'Make Europe Sustainable for All' project is being implemented by the Irish Environmental Network and World Vision Ireland, supported by Social Justice Ireland and ECO UNESCO.

II. Objectives, target, expected results and thematic priorities:

The objective of the sub-granting is to raise awareness of SDGs at local level and to engage local populations in practical actions around the implementation of SDGs.

Sub-grantees in their actions shall target both formal and informal local groups (multiplying effect of the capacity building, awareness-raising) and citizens, including schools and students, to raise awareness of the SDGs. Those will contribute to the expected results:

-   raising-awareness and engaging citizens in promoting the Agenda 2030, in particular, around the thematic focuses of the project, promoting the transition towards more sustainable lifestyles and behaviors,
-   strengthening and/or creating exchange space on the implementation, monitoring of the SDGs, in particular at the local level,
-   strengthening alliances of actors working in the support of Agenda 2030 at the local level,

Thematic priority:

Local actions developed by the sub-grantees shall contribute to one or more of the pan-European campaign focuses on i) fighting inequalities, ii) sustainable food and agriculture, and iii) sustainable consumption & production, as well as to transformation towards achieving SDGs and reaching out and engaging local EU citizens towards sustainable, fair, low-carbon lifestyles.

III. Eligibility criteria

Who can apply?

- Local grass-root organizations/entities
- Local members of national CSOs operating at the local level
- Local citizens groups, including student groups, clubs, civic initiative groups and similar

In order to be eligible for a sub-grant, applicants must:
a) Be legal persons and/or registered entity.
b) Be non-profit making
c) Be established in Ireland
Note: An applicant can submit only one proposal in the same Call for proposals at the national level.

Eligible Activities

Duration: sub-granted activities implementation period starts from the day of the signature of contracts and must be completed by the latest 31st of March 2020. Reports of implementation must be submitted within one month after the end of the selected projects.

Size of grants: Any grant requested under this call for proposals shall not exceed the maximum amount of 2000 euros. Grants are subject to the 85% pre-financing payment of the agreed budget at the start of the project, and 15% balance payment after the submission of the reports based on the actual cost incurred.

Note: In the present call for proposals 3 grants of a max. 2000 euros will be awarded. Please be aware there is another Call for proposal open for applicants coming from the 14 countries for 6 grants of a max. 7500euros. For the details please visit www.makeeuropesustainableforall.org. Organisations can apply to both calls.

Sector or themes: the sub-granted activities must be in line with the objectives and the priorities of the present project on raising awareness on sustainable development, SDGs and Agenda 2030, in particular, actions around 3 main thematic focused campaigns:

- Fight Inequalities
- Sustainable food and agriculture – Good Food for All
- Sustainable consumption and production

Proposals linking their local actions with the European elections and processes are welcomed.

Location: activities must take place at the local level in Ireland.

Type of activities: AWARENESS-RAISING/ACTIVIST/CAPACITY BUILDING

List of different types of activities which may be eligible for sub-grants:

- Public events
- Training events
- Panel discussions
- Educational activities (schools, universities, etc.)
- Stunts
- Dialogues, including exchange with policy makers
- Street actions
- Workshops
- Creative and cultural activities
- Youth activities

Note:
Following actions are considered to be ineligible:
 • Actions concerned only or mainly with individual sponsorships for participation in workshops, seminars, conferences, congresses;
 • Actions concerned only or mainly with individual scholarships for studies or training courses;
 • Actions supporting political parties;
 • Actions concerning fundraising activities
 • Core funding of the applicant
 • Actions which consist exclusively or primarily in capital expenditure, i.e. IT equipment
 • Actions which discriminate against individuals or groups of people on grounds of their gender, sexual orientation, religious beliefs or lack of them, or their ethnic origin;

COSTS ELIGIBILITY:

Costs must be directly related to the implementation of the action. **Cost-effectiveness** is among the selection criteria. Preference will be given to projects with a favorable ration of costs and potential outreach and with most of the expected expenditure linked to the implementation of the action itself (such as production of materials, costs related to the venue, travel costs for speakers, direct labour costs etc.). Indirect costs will not be covered while staff costs directly related to the project can be included in the proposed budget.

III. Selection criteria

The selection process will take into account the relevance of the project proposal with overall objectives of Make Europe Sustainable for all, giving priority to those proposals which engage with the

thematic focuses and take a cross-sectoral approach. Additionally, points will be awarded for outreach capacity, innovation & originality, relevance for the local community, the capacity to increase citizens' awareness and engagement on sustainable development issues, project impact, and the involvement of other actors eg. social movements , NGOs, Local Authorities etc.

Priority will be given to local grass-root groups working directly with the local communities, as well to those entities/organisations which have participated in the capacity building activities within the Make Europe Sustainable for All project at the country level. Extra points will be allocated for proposals submitted to be developed with other organisations, coming from different sectors.

Applications will be checked for compliance with eligibility criteria. The selection committee will evaluate and rate the project proposals in line with the selection criteria. The results will be published on www.sdgsforall.ie and winning proposals will be contacted.

IV. Reporting

The beneficiaries will provide the necessary reports (narrative and financial reports accompanied by the justificatory supporting documents), using the templates provided, including photos/pictures and its outreach activities (online links, publications etc).

V. Communication & visibility The selected projects must fully respect the visibility and communication requirements related to the Make Europe Sustainable for All project, including the logos of the project, and of the EU flag (+ the reference "with the financial support of the European Union" and the relevant disclaimer) in all publications, references, documents, news and any other visibility and communication action.

VI. How to apply?

Please submit your Project proposal by filling in the online application form.

Please attached to your form the proposed budget for the action. See the template in Annex I.

Deadline for submission

The deadline to submit your proposal is the 15th of February 2019, midnight CET.

V. INDICATIVE TIMETABLE

Deadline for submission of proposals	15th of February 2019, midnight CET
Evaluation and selection process	Mid- March 2019
Communication on the selection of 2018 beneficiaries	April 2019

Implementation period	April 2019 – 31 March 2020
Reporting	Submitted within one month after the end of the selected projects).

For more information: To find out more, please contact **info@sdgsforall.ie**