

EIDHR support to HRDs

2014-2020



How the EU supports



Human Rights Defenders



The EU has the world's largest pro-human rights programme.

Calls for proposals

- International and local civil society organisations
- Worldwide coverage
- Launched globally and locally

Small grants

- for human rights defenders under immediate threat
- for emergencies
- up to 10,000 EUR



Allocated to human rights defenders since 2007



Up to 25% of EIDHR* budget for human rights defenders at risk

A new mechanism launched in December 2015

protectdefenders.eu



- From 2016 to 2018
- € 15 million
- Worldwide coverage
- Through a consortium of 12 independent international NGOs
- 24/7 helpline

Depending on their situation, human rights supporters at risk will receive:



*EIDHR = the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights

Complementarity between the various EIHDR tools to support HRDs most at risk

<p>Emergency fund up to €10 000</p>	<p>HR crises facility</p>	<p>Global / local CfPs</p>	<p>First EU comprehensive HRDs mechanism</p>	<p>Targeted projects</p>
<p>Urgent support</p> <p>Physical protection</p> <p>Legal assistance</p> <p>Medical assistance</p> <p>ETC.</p>	<p>Most difficult HR situations</p> <p>Where CfPs NOT feasible</p> <p>Where funding NGOs seriously hampered</p>	<p>Priorities</p> <p>Thematic</p> <p>Geographic</p> <p>Networks</p> <p>Monitoring</p> <p>Advocacy</p>	<p>Urgent support</p> <p>Capacity building</p> <p>Temporary relocation</p> <p>Early warning system</p> <p>Coordination of actors</p> <p>Permanent helpline (24h/7)</p>	<p>International mechanisms</p> <p>Regional mechanisms</p> <p>National Human Rights Institutions</p>

Emergency fund for HRDs at risk

WHAT?

Low-value grants to HRDs in urgent protection needs

HOW MUCH?

Max 10 000 euros per individual grant

WHEN?

Permanent

- In 2015 over 87 emergency grants for over 100 HRDs were disbursed, amounting to a total amount of over €670.000
- In 2016 over 35 emergency grants for over 60 HRDs have already been disbursed, amounting to a total amount of €250.000



The First EU comprehensive HRDs mechanism: ProtectDefenders.EU

This is **the first time** that:

the EU provided simultaneously **short-term, medium-term and long term support to HRDs**

that **12 international organisations work together** in this field

the EU pays particular attention to **temporary shelter of HRDs at risk** (up to 60 000 euros)

the EU dedicates **the unprecedented amount of 15M€ over three years** to the establishment and the implementation of this unique EU Mechanism