PROJECT FACTSHEET

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EU support to the Civil Society Resource Center – Phase 2



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North Macedonia

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Implementer:
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Project description:

The “EU Support to the Civil Society Resource Centre – Phase 2” project strengthens civil society organisations (CSOs) in North Macedonia by improving their capacities, resilience and role in democratic processes and public policy-making. Through training, mentoring, online learning tools, grants, networking opportunities and tailored support, the project helps CSOs become more sustainable, effective, transparent and accountable in their work. Special attention is given to grassroots organisations and CSOs operating outside Skopje, contributing to more balanced regional development and stronger civic participation across the country.

At the same time, the project supports the creation of a more enabling environment for civil society by strengthening dialogue with public institutions, promoting participatory decision-making and contributing to reforms linked to the EU accession process. Through the Civil Society Resource Centre as a countrywide support platform, the project improves cooperation, information exchange and access to resources, helping civil society play a more active role in democratic development and representing citizens’ interests.

Expected results:

• Civil society organisations improve their capacities, sustainability, advocacy skills, visibility and accountability through training, mentoring, grants and tailored support.
• CSOs become better informed, more connected and more efficient through strengthened networking, information-sharing and access to online resources and tools.
• A sustainable and inclusive nationwide support platform for civil society organisations is further developed and strengthened through the Civil Society Resource Centre.
• Cooperation and dialogue between CSOs and public institutions are improved, contributing to a more enabling environment for civil society participation.
• Grassroots organisations and CSOs outside the capital gain stronger support and increased opportunities for participation and development.