



Norwegian partner search in Cultural Cooperation projects in the EEA and Norway Grants 2014-2021

In order to get the best results from your search for partners for the EEA and Norway Grants, the Arts Council Norway recommends completing the following form. The text boxes that make up the form are based on feedback that we have received from Norwegian cultural players. Tailoring the information to the potential partner/potential partner type as opposed to sending a generic request, always yields the best results. The form can be used for partnership requests sent directly to identified, potential partners, as well as those sent to the Arts Council Norway eeagrants@kulturradet.no and Programme Operators. It can also be used for Norwegian entities seeking partners in the Beneficiary States.

This form will be published on our website.

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Your organisation

Describe the type of organisation and include a good description of your own areas of activity/fields (Visual arts, Performing arts, Interdisciplinary art, Music, Architecture, Library activities, Ethnic culture, Literature, Culture and art education, Museum and gallery activities).

The mission of the Roma-Lom Foundation is to stimulate the process of empowerment of excluded groups and social emancipation of disadvantaged communities.

The Roma-Lom Foundation works for the integration and social emancipation of disadvantaged communities, regardless of their ethnicity. The emphasis is on the development of the Roma community, because it is in the worst situation and at the same time the most numerous - with the highest percentage of concentration in the region of Northwestern Bulgaria (for the town of Lom Roma are about 14,000 people and represent nearly 50% of the total population of the city).

In fulfilling its mission, the Roma-Lom Foundation sees its role as an active



agent of change, working purposefully for:

Stimulation of initiative civic groups leading to sustainable development of communities.
 Development and testing of practices and models for problem solving and lobbying for the implementation of successful practices at regional and national level.
 Stimulation of communication and ethnocultural dialogue for mutual acquaintance, overcoming prejudices and affirming tolerance as a norm in relations between different ethnic groups in Bulgaria.
 Implementation of methodological assistance for the development of other organizations from the region and the country dealing with solving community problems.
 Mobilizing the internal potential of the community and attracting partners for joint problem solving.

Project idea

Provide a brief description of the project idea, what you want to achieve and how you plan to achieve it. Ideally the idea should give an idea of what is planned, but be open enough for the partner to influence. The project proposal is related to the implementation of a set of actions to support and develop local Roma initiatives, including in cooperation with local and national cultural and scientific institutions. The project proposal will focus its efforts on systematization and presentation of historical studies and facts concerning the Roma community and the contribution of Roma to the historical and cultural heritage of Bulgaria and the world, by creating conditions for presenting this information and creating conditions for public discussions on specific topics. The project idea is based on the organization and holding of discussions / podcasts /, which will present cultural and historical topics, with a focus on the Roma, and will essentially represent cultural and educational events. For the creation of the thematic podcasts, a team of experts will be formed, who will carry out scientific research and analytical activities. As a result of their work, visual products (podcasts) will be created, which will present online cultural events for engaging the society and the representatives of the Roma community with topics related to Roma culture, the role of Roma in the history of Bulgaria and their role in shaping contemporary cultural models. In addition to the main products developed under the project, educational materials will be created, which will also be promoted during the main cultural events and will be freely available online. At this stage we do not have an identified potential partner. We would like to

Relevance of potential partner:

Based on your research show why you have identified this particular potential partner is relevant, for example does the organisational type match, similar or complementary experiences, etc.

community to overcome stereotypes, overcome anti-Roma hatred, as well as support policies and measures to overcome social / economic / cultural isolation of the Roma community.

find a partner who has an interest in promoting the contribution of the Roma

community culturally and historically. At the same time to mobilize the

interest of the society in their country in the direction of supporting the Roma

If you have not identified a



Any other comments/ relevant information	
Partner role: What role do you foresee the partner as having in the project? What value do you feel the partner can contribute to the project?	The project envisages the implementation of joint activities with a partner from the donor countries. The partner to provide information about the contribution of the Roma community to society in cultural and historical fact, through social platforms. As well as becoming a reliable source of information, research on the contribution of the Roma community in the field of culture and history over the years.
specific potential partner, try to describe the type of organisation you are looking for. Try to be specific and to link it to your areas of activity, project idea and the role of the partner.	

