EEA and Norway Grants

Countering hate speech and hate crime

The EEA and Norway Grants support a range of initiatives to tackle hate speech and hate crime through the NGO programmes. All NGO programmes actively publicise and participate in the **Council of Europe** campaign **NO HATE SPEECH** and are taking part in the **EU Agency for Fundamental Rights** (FRA) conference on 'Combating Hate Crime in the EU' in Vilnius in November 2013.



NGO programme in Malta

Fund operator Solidarity Overseas Service Malta

Grant amount **€0.5 million**

Calls for proposals 1st call: May 2013

2nd call: June 2014

As part of the ongoing activities in Malta the fund operator:

- has placed the banner of the Council of Europe NO HATE SPEECH campaign on their programme website highlighting their fight against hate speech and hate crime
- continuously provides relevant links, materials and news in relation to the campaign on their programme website and on their Facebook page

Calls for proposals

In the **calls** there is a particular emphasis on supporting projects that focus on human rights, hate speech and hate crime.







Activities under the Maltese NGO programme

11-13 November 2013	External : Conference participation 'Combating Hate Crime in the European Union' – Vilnius, Lithuania
14 November 2013	External : Follow-up conference 'Hate Speech and the Role of Civil Society' – Vilnius, Lithuania
10 December 2013	External: Launching of hate speech campaign in collaboration with the national coordinator on hate
	speech and the U.S. Embassy linked to the United Nations' Human Rights Day – Valletta, Malta

Countering hate speech and hate crime in projects

In the first open call of Solidarity Overseas Service Malta a total of four projects received funding. Of these four projects, **three projects deal with hate related issues** indirectly.





