

## 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 took 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 Latvia

#### *The NGO fund*

Fund operator            **Society Integration Foundation**

Grant amount            **€10.9 million**

Calls for proposals      **1<sup>st</sup> call: November 2012**

**2<sup>nd</sup> call: September 2013**

*As part of the ongoing activities in Latvia, the fund operator:*

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

#### *Calls for proposals*

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

[www.eegrants.org](http://www.eegrants.org)

[www.sif.lv/index.php?lang=](http://www.sif.lv/index.php?lang=)



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## Activities under the Latvian NGO programme

1 November 2013	<b>Other:</b> Interview on NGO TV about EEA grants and the NO HATE SPEECH campaign – Riga, Latvia
7-9 November 2013	<b>External:</b> Participation Hate speech movement conference "Mobilising, Planning and Networking for Campaigning Effectively with young people against Hate speech, Strasbourg, France
11-13 November 2013	<b>External:</b> Conference participation 'Combating Hate Crime in the European Union' – Vilnius, Lithuania
14 November 2013	<b>External:</b> Follow-up conference 'Hate Speech and the Role of Civil Society' – Vilnius, Lithuania
28-29 November 2013	<b>Event:</b> Conference on gender and minorities mainstreaming for programme operators, project evaluators and NGOs– Riga, Latvia
March 2014	<b>Training:</b> Educational activities for youngsters on using internet services – Riga, Latvia
April 2014	<b>Event:</b> Video Competition for youngsters regarding No Hate speech issue – Riga, Latvia
May 2014	<b>Event:</b> Workshop addressing hate speech online and in mass media for mass media specialists – Riga, Latvia
2015	<b>Event:</b> Session on sharing of best practices in combating hate speech during conference on civil society development questions– Riga, Latvia

## Countering hate speech and hate crime in projects

In the first open call of the Society Integration Foundation a total of 143 projects received funding. Of these 143 projects, **two projects deal with hate-related issues.**

### Projects directly addressing hate speech and hate crime:

1. NGO capacity building to combat online hate	
<b>Society Latvian Centre for Human Rights</b>	EEA Grant amount € 80,527.00
2. Core support for association of LGBT and their friends MOZAIKA	
<b>Association of LGBT and their friends MOZAIKA</b>	EEA Grant amount € 55,996.00
	<b><u>Total amount € 136,523.00</u></b>

