

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 Portugal

The Cidadania Ativa Programme

Fund operator **Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation**

Grant amount **€5.8 million**

Calls for proposals **1st call: April 2013**

2nd call: March 2014

3rd call: February 2015

As part of the ongoing activities in Portugal, the fund operator:

- Has sent out **three newsletters publicising the campaign** to over 2,300 contacts, one of them exclusively dedicated to the issue of hate speech
- **Created and distributed 1,000 leaflets** during the programme launch event and regional seminars, as well as promotional material provided by the campaign itself
- Continuously **provides relevant links and news** in relation to the campaign on their programme website
- Has **included the national campaign's logo and link** on their programme's website

Calls for proposals

In the **calls**, hate speech is one of the specific subjects which may be selected by applicants. The **NO HATE SPEECH** campaign has also been advertised during the launch of the first open call

For those **selected projects** which are committed to tackle hate speech, there is a particular emphasis during the mentoring stage on the need to address this issue effectively within the projects, to get in touch with the national committee for the **NO HATE SPEECH** campaign and to participate in the campaign.



Activities under the Portuguese 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
- December 2013** **External:** Participation in the international seminar to be organised by the National Committee for the NO HATE SPEECH campaign– Lisbon, Portugal

Countering hate speech and hate crime in projects

In the first open call of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation a total of 59 projects received funding. Of these 59 projects, **26 projects deal with hate-related issues** indirectly.

