

Call for expert

ERGO Network is contracting an expert on Community-Led Local Development and Roma inclusion to coordinate part of our work programme on CLLD in 2018

ERGO Network

ERGO Network (<u>www.ergonetwork.org</u>) brings together 28 members from across Europe and supports organisations with a common perspective on Roma grassroots empowerment and equal citizenship to challenge stereotypes and combat stigmatization. We mobilize and connect organisations and individuals that share and express our values — active citizenship, shared responsibility, and passion — to strengthen and empower Roma civil society involvement in decision-making at local, national and European level and to address existing shortcomings of policies targeted at Roma.

Currently we are supported by DG Employment through a Partnership Framework Agreement that allows us to work closely with our members and to advocate for better policies for Roma.

Role of the expert

We are searching for an **expert to coordinate ERGO Network's capacity-building and advocacy work on Roma inclusion in the CLLD in 2018**, which is part of our Annual Work Programme 'Roma Included in Social Europe' funded by DG Employment.

2018 is a crucial year for CLLD in Europe, as important steps are taken on EU and Member State level for the new programming period 2020-2027 and the Urban CLLD is expanded. The expert is expected to support ERGO and its member organisations in Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria and Romania in their capacity-building and advocacy work and to build on the experiences and achievements of the network in the area of CLLD from the past years.

Specifically, the expert is expected to:

- Develop stage 3 and 4 of ERGO Network's CLLD <u>Quality Audit</u> on Roma participation and implementation, coach members in using it, collect results and preparing the synthesis report
- Develop stage 1 and 2 of a CLLD Quality Audit for the Urban CLLD
- Develop a capacity-building trajectory for Roma NGOs and LAGs on Roma inclusion in the Urban CLLD
- Support ERGO Network in setting up an EU advocacy strategy to ensure the next programming period includes Roma experiences in the CLLD.



Profile:

- Excellent knowledge of Community-led Local Development in rural and urban settings and in the contexts of Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Czech Republic and Slovakia
- Expertise on Roma issues and policies on European Union and member state level
- Experience working with civil society organisations in the fields of advocacy and capacitybuilding
- Good contacts with relevant stakeholders, such as Federations of LAGs, Rural Development Network, DG Regio
- Good writing and analytical skills and ability to concisely summarise results for different audiences
- Ability to work independently and at the same time coordinate regularly with the ERGO team and the member organisations

Conditions

Contract and budget: The expert will be subcontracted to fulfil part of the work programme in the Framework Partnership Agreement between ERGO Network and DG Employment. The expert has no rights vis-à-vis the European Commission.

The expert shall be paid for the execution of the activities and services a fee of maximum **5,800 EUR**, all taxes and VAT included.

Application procedure

Interested and qualified candidates should submit the following documents:

- CV
- Motivation letter
- Proposed methodology and timeline

We will select the expert according to the principle "Value for money". Please send your application to info@ergonetwork.org, indicating in the subject of the email "Application CLLD Expert" by 10 July 2018, 23:59 CET.

A detailed project summary can be provided upon request.

For further questions, please contact Gabriela Hrabanova (g.hrabanova@ergonetwork.org)