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Better together

● The National Foundation for Civil Society Development has existed for three years, and has been active for two. During the second year of its activity, as was the case during the first, the National Foundation focused on achieving the Foundation's goals while at the same time improving the quality of its work. Therefore, many upgrades and improvements were introduced into its work system during 2005, which will undoubtedly result in even higher quality of work of the Foundation, which will primarily be reflected in increased transparency in the grant approval procedure and in better monitoring of approved projects. With the introduction of additional mechanisms for the prevention of possible conflicts of interest, the chance of them occurring has been almost completely eliminated. The Foundation has also introduced a new business-information system (BIS), and has started the procedure of preparations and certification for the quality management system ISO 9001:2002. In addition to other novelties described in detail in this annual report, it is likely that in the long run a new model for the Foundation's assets management will be introduced, which should assist the Foundation in becoming financially self-sustainable.

During the past year, in addition to institutional support, the Foundation supported numerous projects that submitted their tenders in programme areas entitled “Our Contribution to the Community”, “Better Together” and “Democratisation and Civil Society Development”, and it co-financed the participation of civil society organisations in international gatherings and foreign experts’ visits to Croatia.

However, it seems that despite all these efforts the participation of citizens in actions and initiatives of organised forms of civil society is still relatively poor. Judging by the number of visitors at discussions organised by different civil society organisations, which are usually attended by fewer than twenty interested citizens, it is obvious that future efforts should be invested in the stimulation of civil initiatives, volunteerism and philanthropy.

It is therefore important not only for the future work of the Foundation, but also for the work and activities of civil society organisations and individuals, that we all, regardless of how different and imperfect we are, join our efforts to work together for the better of all.

Mirjana Krizmanić
Deputy Chairperson
of the Management Board

A year of maturation and growth

For the National Foundation for Civil Society Development, 2005 was a year of maturation in the sense of procedures and management, as well as in the human, professional and programmes domain.

It was a year in which the Foundation celebrated a full 20 months of its work and activities, but also a year full of challenges. At the beginning of the year, the Foundation's grant award procedure in one of the seven calls for proposals launched by the Foundation in 2004 was publicly reviewed. This related to the call for tenders for the award of institutional support for the development and/or stabilisation of activities of associations, which quickly turned out to be the most attractive call for proposals announced by the Foundation.

Under review was whether persons from organised civil society associations may also be members of the Management Board of the Foundation. If this was the case, it was consequently questioned whether their associations may submit project proposals for the Foundation's calls for proposals and be awarded grants.

Another aspect in which the Foundation has matured is the financial resources and the related need for the establishment of a new model of support for the development of civil society in Croatia, through stable funds necessary for the realisation of their basic purpose. There are two explanations for such maturation: on one hand the strengthening of the Foundation, and on the other hand the impossibility of long-term reliance on State Budget funds. In only the second year of its activities, the Foundation became prepared to act on the basis of the Foundation's own assets, which it was not able to do for a number of reasons in the first year of its activities. The National Foundation will in this manner fulfil its mission through the greater quality management of the Foundation's assets when compared to all other foundations in the world.

The State Budget funds allocated for the activities of the Foundation during the past two years have been reduced ten times – from more than HRK 15 million allocated in the 2004 State Budget

to only HRK 1.6 million paid out from the 2005 State Budget, with HRK 1.4 million planned in the 2006 State Budget. A decision was therefore adopted to start a Programme for the Management of the Foundation's assets. The Foundation's assets were increased by the amounts of reserved funds from part of the revenue from games of chance in 2003 (when the Foundation was still not operative) and in 2005, together with the corresponding interest rates in 2004 and 2005. The Foundation's assets were increased in 2005 to HRK 19 million, and this more stable income consequently allowed the Foundation to finance civil society activities in Croatia and to promote participation in the development of the international community. In 2005 the Foundation had an income of HRK 27,142,298.08* which was to a full extent invested both in the achievement of the main purpose of the Foundation and in increasing the Foundation's assets.

In the developmental sense, 2005 was characterised by greater investment in the professional and procedural capacity of the Foundation, its active involvement in issues related to the accession of Croatia to the European Union and the role of civil society organisations in that process, and into preparations for the introduction of a quality system according to the ISO 9001-2002 standard as well as for the accreditation of the Foundation as an intermediary body, that is, an implementing unit for the management of EU funds intended for civil society development. These activities were initiated or achieved as a result of an UNDP investment project in the capacity development of the Foundation.

On the basis of new experiences and wisdom gained in 2005, the Foundation continues to improve its work in order to be able to better respond to the needs and challenges of organised civil society in Croatia. In this process, it desires and seeks to contribute to the co-operation of all sectors at all levels of activity.

Cvjetana Plavša-Matić
Manager of the Foundation

* More details in:
Revenue and
Expenses
Account for 2005

1 About the National foundation

The National Foundation for Civil Society Development was founded by the Croatian Parliament pursuant to a special Act (OG 173/03) of 16 October 2003 as a public foundation whose main purpose is the promotion and development of civil society in the Republic of Croatia.

The National Foundation was registered on 24 November 2003 with a founding capital of HRK 2 million and continuous inflow of funds from a part of the revenue from games of chance and from the State Budget in order to provide professional and financial assistance to programmes stimulating the sustainability of the non-profit sector, cross-sectoral cooperation, civil initiatives, philanthropy, volunteerism and promoting democratic institutions in the society.

A certain level of independence of the National Foundation activities was ensured by the management structure – 5 members of the Management Board belong to civil society, there are 3 Government representatives, and 1 representative from local and regional self-government.

Accordingly to European and international classification, the Foundation belongs to the category of public mixed foundations that combine grant giving programmes and the operative implementation of activities in cooperation with other organisations.

The Programme for the award of grants is implemented through public tenders in the following programme areas (PA):

1. “Our contribution to the community” for the development of civil initiatives;
2. “Better together”, encouraging cross-sectoral cooperation and development of local communities;
3. Democratisation and civil society development,
4. Participation in international gatherings and the participation of foreign experts in the Republic of Croatia
5. Institutional grants for the development and/or stabilisation of associations.

Operative activities of the National Foundation are carried out through call for expression of interest for cooperation in the implementation of educational modules for the strengthening of capacity of civil society organisations, volunteerism, research in directing the development of civil society, and cooperation in the implementation of media projects.



The National Foundation has from the very beginning used in its work the open source Linux operating system

MISSION The Mission of the Foundation is to promote and develop civil society in the Republic of Croatia.

VISION The vision of the Foundation is the building of an active citizenship in the development of a modern society aspiring to the establishment of social justice, equal opportunities for all citizens, tolerance, participatory democracy, improved conditions and quality of life and the widening of the public domain.

GOALS To fulfil its vision, the basic goals that the Foundation seeks to achieve through its activities are the following:

1. promotion of an active citizenship, inclusion and participation in community development
2. strengthening of civil society capacity
3. development of cross-sectoral cooperation and cooperation between civil society organisations
4. increasing the public influence and visibility of activities of civil society organisations
5. developing social entrepreneurship and employment in the non-profit sector
6. increasing the influence of civil society in the processes of decision-making public policy.

COOPERATION In the process of fulfilling its mission, the Foundation encourages, practises and stimulates cross-sectoral cooperation – in particular by strengthening the capacity of civil society organisations for the establishment of partner relations with public and economic sectors and through participation in the drawing up of standards and procedures for the allocation of state/local budget funds intended as support to programmes and projects of civil society organisations in accordance with international standards and principles of publicity and responsibility in the award and use of public money and by introducing a quality system.

Improvement of the quality of work system

During 2005, the National Foundation introduced many novelties in the way it functions. The aim was overall improvement in operations and to ensure the long-term quality and sustainability of the Foundation's activities.

The novelties introduced by the Foundation in its procedures and business, and the improvements applied to the existing work processes in the Foundation, led to an increase in the transparency of the grant approval procedure and of the monitoring of the implementation of financed projects, programmes and initiatives.

The most significant results in the improvement of the quality of work system of the Foundation were achieved through the introduction of the following:

1. the new Ordinance on the conditions and procedure for the award of funds for the achievement of the Foundation's purpose
2. additional mechanisms for the prevention of potential conflicts of interest
3. business-information system (BIS)
4. preparation and certification procedure for the quality management system ISO 9001:2002
5. supplements to the call for proposals for the co-financing of attendance at international gatherings
6. preparations for the redesign of the Foundation's website
7. new model of the Foundation's assets management

1. The Ordinance on the conditions and procedure for the award of funds for the achievement of the Foundation's purpose

The Foundation's Management Board adopted at its 19th session of 24 May 2005 the Ordinance on the conditions and procedure for the award of funds for the achievement of the Foundation's purpose. This improved the procedure of the 2004 award of grants and enabled the Foundation to reach a higher standard in achieving its goals (the complete text of the Ordinance is available at the Internet site http://zaklada.civilnodrstvo.hr/natjecaji_postupak_odobranja.php).

- The Ordinance introduced the following novelties:
- the opening of submitted call for proposals by a commission
 - the calendar for all proposals and invitations for expressions of interest planned for 2005 was published in advance
 - the deadline for submission of project proposals was extended from 30 to at least 60 days
 - all the documents were made known in advance: for the proposals (forms and instructions), for the evaluation (evaluation form with criteria according to which the proposals would be evaluated), and a copy of the grant contract
 - the opportunity to ask questions via e-mail or telefax, and frequently asked questions and answers were published on the Foundation's website
 - the procedures for objecting to call for proposals results were established
 - information on additional mechanisms for protection against possible conflict of interest was introduced into the grant documentation.

2. Introduction of additional mechanisms for the prevention of potential conflict of interest

The provisions of Article 11, paragraph 1 of the Act on the National Foundation for Civil Society Development regulate a potential conflict of interest arising if a member of the Management Board or another body of the Foundation (Programmes Committee, Council for Strategic Investment into Civil Society Development, and others) decides on issues relating to a legal person of which he or she is a member, in the management of which he or she participates, or in which he or she has some economic interest. In that case, this person may not vote or decide on the financing of a project or programme proposal responding to a call for proposals, or evaluate any such project.

Bearing in mind that out of nine members of the Management Board of the Foundation, five are representatives of civil society, special attention was paid to the fact that the Management Board does not participate in the evaluation of submitted project proposals in order to avoid possible conflicts of interest. For that reason, the bylaws of the Foundation provide for the establishment of special expert and independent bodies for the evaluation of project proposals submitted in response to Foundation's calls for proposals: the Programmes Committee for the Evaluation of Tenders, and the Council for Strategic Investments into Civil Society Development. In this manner, the

procedure for evaluating and selecting the highest quality project proposals was both formally and actually separated from the procedure of deciding on the awarding of grants to selected initiatives, projects and programmes.

The Rules of Procedure of those bodies also lay down in particular the procedure for disclosing and protecting against a possible conflict of interest.

In accordance with the good practice of similar donor organisations in the international community, the Foundation has introduced a higher quality disclosure and recording of potential conflicts of interest through the opening of an official register – Register of expressed possibilities of a conflict of interest for each member of the Management Board and all employees of the Foundation and for other Foundation bodies. The Register is kept in the Foundation's archives. The Register is not a public document, but it may be examined upon request by representatives of authorised bodies.

Since the public was suspicious of a possible conflict of interest of some members of the Management Board in relation to the results of calls for proposals in 2004, the Foundation on two occasions submitted a request to the Conflicts of Interest Commission of the Parliament of the Republic of Croatia to give an opinion on the conflict of interest in the case of the National Foundation. The Commission adopted the following opinion at its 13th session held on 14 December 2005:

The circumstances of simultaneous membership of a body that decides on the award of material funds to civil society organisations on the basis of the principle of general interest and of a civil society association to which the body awards funds may not be regarded as a conflict of interest within the meaning of the provisions of the Act on the Prevention of the Conflict of Interest in the Performance of Public Duty (OG 163/03, 94/04 AND 48/05).

3. Introduction of a new business-information system

At the very beginning of its activities, thanks to financial support from DFID, the Foundation started using the licensed computer software GIFTS which organised the record keeping and management of approved grants from the very start.

The development of call for proposals procedures that have become increasingly complex, the impossibility to adjust GIFTS to those procedures, and the need to use a multi-platform web appli-

cation that may be accessed by authorised users even from outside the Foundation's premises led to the creation of a new business-information system (BIS).

The new business-information system links all databases and areas of the Foundation's activity in a manner that allows access to all existing data on a certain association from the central register if that association establishes any form of written communication with the Foundation. The system also allows for the monitoring of any business activity, ranging from the central register to accounting records.



The most important part of the business-information system is related to the submission of project proposals, evaluation, and the approval of grants. In the process of the submission of project proposals and their evaluation, it is possible to follow the entry of the project proposals through the central register, the work of the project proposals commission, the recording of the formal conditions of the call for proposals, the procedure and any individual evaluation of project proposals sent for evaluation, the approval of grants, and grant agreements.

The BIS monitoring procedure introduced the means to set all the important dates related to the implementation of a project, programme or institutional grant. It also allowed for the simplified and unified collection and analysis of reports and related payments of grants in instalments. An additional benefit is the opening of cms (a protected part of the website) which enables grant-winning associations to obtain all the necessary information and forms in the protected part of the Intranet accessed by means of usernames given to the associations that are beneficiaries of the Foundation's grants. This reduces the costs of sending announcements and necessary forms for reporting on the implementation of projects, programmes and institutional grants.

Data on the monitoring and evaluation of each project, programme or institutional grant are recorded and archived in the system.

As a result of such a simplified system, the evaluators of submitted project proposals no longer need to come to the Foundation's premises, but may access the system from their own homes and evaluate each individual project proposals.

The business-information system was created as a portal which is appropriately and effectively laid out, while the use of SmartCard technology has increased the security of users and data. The business-information system of the Foundation ensures that quality compliance with ISO standards can be achieved.

4. The preparation and certification procedure for the quality management system ISO 9001:2002

The strategic goal of the Foundation is to meet as far as possible the needs and expectations of beneficiaries: associations, other non-profit organisations, individuals and society in general as the end user, as established in the vision and mission of the Foundation. However, this should be done by rational and transparent spending of public and other funds for the achievement of the basic purpose of the Foundation's activities.

Focus on beneficiaries is most obvious in the grant award procedures. In this regard, the preparations for the introduction of the HRN EN ISO 9001:2002 standard have begun. This standard will certify the management of the financing procedures for the projects of civil society organisations.

Through the application of basic management principles in accordance with the HRN EN ISO 9001:2002 standard, the Foundation will improve and systematically take into account the needs and requirements of the users, create a quality business environment that will result in the better motivation of all employees (and all contractors) as its most valuable resource, and ensure progress towards achieving the system of quality of work. It will also identify all business processes and the relations among them as parts of a consistent quality management system, and will adopt decisions on the basis of credible information that results from the methodical processing of accurate data recorded on the basis of a system of quality management.

It is expected that the Foundation will be ready to introduce certificates pursuant to the HRN EN ISO 9001:2002 standard in early 2006 as a result of the support provided by the UNDP on the basis of a two-year contract and cooperation.

5. Introduction of supplements to calls for proposals for the co-financing of attendance at international gatherings

The National Foundation improved the call for proposals for the participation of representatives of associations in international gatherings in 2005 by introducing a new version of the call for proposals for the purpose of additionally strengthening the informal education and capacity of associations.

This relates to the call for proposals for the participation of international experts in events organised by Croatian associations.

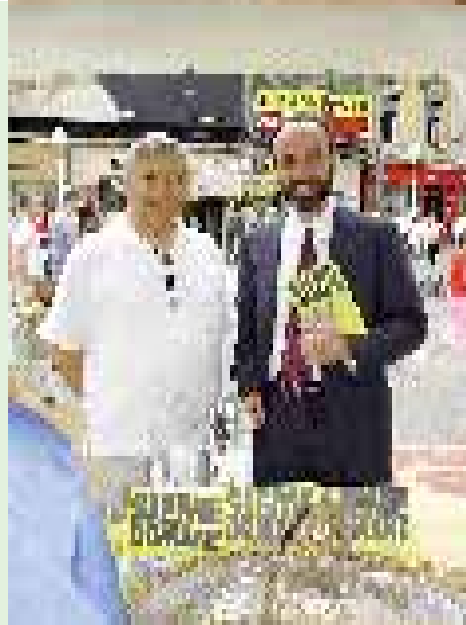
The most important conditions for the award of such grants are the following: the education and professional experience of the foreign expert are directly relevant to the subject and goal of the event; the participation of the foreign expert stimulates an exchange of experience, knowledge and skills relevant for the development of the non-governmental sector in Croatia; the purpose and contents of the event are directly related to the programme of the association and to the priority areas defined in the call for proposals.

The participation of renowned and distinguished experts in events organised by Croatian associations is a key precondition for the strengthening of the capacity of associations: the transfer of knowledge, experience and contacts “without frontiers” among civil society organisations which will, in addition to education, open opportunities for the future networking of Croatian associations with umbrella European and international organisations.

Mr. Jeffrey M. Smith, one of the leading international activists who has made a significant contribution to the disclosure of controversies, deceptions and dangers related to GM food, and the author of the book “Seeds of Deception”, participated in the central part of the presentation of the project “**The Public has the right to know**” – marking the Day without GMOs, that was held in Zagreb from 16 to 19 June 2005, and organised by the **Society for the Improvement of the Quality of Life, the Makronova Institution, Green Action, and the Publishing House Biovega**. The main goal of this action was to familiarise the public with the problems and risks that occur as a result of taking GM food.

The participation of Mr. Smith was made possible through the financial support of the National Foundation.

During his stay in Croatia, Mr. Smith presented his book and the scientific paper of Dr Arpad Pusztai (also shown here) which represents a metaphorical link between in-



dustry and research institutes. Both experts joined the activists from Croatian associations at the Jelačić Square stands on 18 June 2005 and, through direct contact with the public, stimulated interest for further discussion on the safety of GM food in Croatia.



The Ninth International Conference “Student Voice” took place in Hvar from 5 to 9 October 2005 under the title “Media as Entertainment Industry”. The Conference drew together about 120 young jour-

nalists and students of journalism from Croatia, Europe and the United States of America. The conference was organised by the Croatian Political Science Association from Zagreb.

In addition to financial support provided by the National Foundation, the guest at the Conference was Lidija Zelovic from the Netherlands, an internationally acclaimed author and director of documentary films. Lidija Zelovic held a lecture entitled “Whispering above the noise: the breakthrough of documentary films” during which she attempted to answer the question whether documentary films may counterbalance commercial, cheap television genres such as reality shows, talk shows and soap operas. She also opened a discussion on whether documentary films were actually a different type of reality shows and what their destiny was in the context of increasing cultural and media commercialisation.

6. Preparations for the redesign of the Foundation’s website

Less than two years after the opening of the National Foundation’s first website, as a result of the regular updating of material, the content increased to several thousand pages of documents and information related to civil society. Consequently, it became difficult to browse and search for documents. Redesign was the only logical solution.

In 2005 the Foundation devised a new concept of the site, formed in such a manner that it would serve end users – civil society organisations – as a high-quality source of information on the work of the Foundation, offering service information to associations, and informal education necessary for the further building of civil society capacity in Croatia.

A new design and structure of the site was devised in 2005, and by the end of the year several thousands of pages of documents were revised and laid out in accordance with the new structure.

The redesigned website of the Foundation was set up in early 2006.

7. Introduction of a new model of management of the Foundation's assets

Taking into account the basic strategic goals of the Foundation and the published Operational Strategy for 2004-2007, which includes considering diverse sources of finance and the provision of services and investments aimed at achieving long-term sustainability, the Foundation started preparing an Assets Management Programme in 2005.

In this manner, in addition to preserving the Foundation's existing assets, the Foundation started increasing its assets in the same way as it is done by a number of international foundations which base their activities on high-quality asset management.

The Foundation's assets were increased in 2005 by HRK 17 million on the basis of funds reserved from part of the revenue from games of chance from 2003 (HRK 12 million) and from 2005 (HRK 5 million).

Expectations that the Foundation will not be able to rely on State Budget funds in the long run have proven to be justified, since the funds from that source have been continuously decreasing: HRK 15 million was approved and allocated in 2004, HRK 10 million was approved in 2005, and, after two State budget rebalances, only HRK 1.6 million was allocated to the Foundation that year. Only HRK 1.4 million was approved in the 2006 State Budget. Another source of Foundation's income is part of the revenue from games of chance (Article 10 of the Act on the Organisation of Games of Chance and Competitions), which has been increasing every year by about 20%.

Consequently, the Foundation has been working to increase its assets and to ensure the sustainability of financial revenue in order to be able to implement the operative programmes and the programme of financial support for activities of organised civil society in Croatia. Therefore, the Management Board of the Foundation adopted at its 22nd session held on 22 December 2005 a Decision on the increase in the Foundation's assets that amounted to HRK 19 million at the end of 2005. The Foundation's assets management programme will combine completely secure investment of the majority of funds (investment in top quality non-risk securities: treasury bills, treasury notes of the Ministry of Finance, bonds) along with partial investment in moderate risk funds (investment in first-grade domestic and foreign bonds and stocks), which at the same time result in higher income.

3 Grant programme and regional development

1. Tenders and grants awarded to associations

In 2005, the National Foundation for Civil Society Development issued four calls for proposals that are launched once a year for grants to civil society organisations, and one call for proposals that was continuously opened throughout 2005.

a) Calls for proposals that are launched once a year

Public calls for proposals launched by the National Foundation in June and September 2005 related to several programme areas (PA) linked to the strategic goals of the National Foundation's activities in the period from 2004-2007.

What follows is a short overview of the programme areas of all calls for proposals: those eligible to apply, the highest amount of grant possible, and the grants and funds awarded per individual calls for proposals:

— OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY (PA -1)

Calls for proposals for the award of grants to civil initiatives in which citizens are included by means of volunteer work, knowledge and/or material contributions.

The calls for proposals was open for organisations whose basic purpose is not-for-profit: associations, foundations, institutions conducting social activities and units of local self-government in which initiatives are started by the organisation itself, the institution, or interested group of citizens acting within that organisation or institution.

The grant amount is up to HRK 15,000.

A total of 70 grants were awarded in this programme area amounting to HRK 956,790.98.

Foundation employees entering data on received applications into the business-information system



— BETTER TOGETHER (PA-2)

Calls for proposals for the award of grants for joint projects of associations or foundations in cooperation with units of local and regional self-government or institutions for the improvement of living conditions in the local community, the organisation and development of the local community, the development of local partnerships in accordance with the Programme of Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the Non-Governmental Non-Profit Sector in Croatia and the development of philanthropy and the culture of giving for local public benefit

The amount of grant: up to HRK 100,000.

There were 23 grants awarded in this programme area amounting to HRK 2,041,858.56.



— DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT (PA-4)

Calls for proposals for the award of grants to projects contributing to the development of civil society, the development of volunteerism, the improvement of democratic institutions in society and the rule of law, the application of new technologies in civil society development, information and documenting development of civil society in the Republic of Croatia, public advocacy and projects for linking associations in the Republic of Croatia dealing with European integration.

Associations and foundations were eligible to apply for the calls for proposals.

The grants for projects amounted to:

- a) if one association applied: from HRK 20,000 to 80,000
- b) if more associations applied (at least 3): up to HRK 150,000.

There were 39 grants awarded in this programme area, amounting to HRK 3,404,218.41.

— INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT (PA – 6)

The calls for proposals for the award of institutional support represents a specific part of the Grants Programme of the National Foundation whose aim is to invest in organisational development or stabilisation for a period of three years, but only for those associations registered in the Republic of Croatia. A grant is provided to help further the activities of the association and for the performance of its primary activity.

In 2005 the Foundation financed 70 civil initiatives, 23 partnership programmes for the development of the local community, 39 projects for democratisation and the development of civil society, 30 institutional support grants, 34 grants for participation in international meetings or for foreign experts to participate in meetings in the Republic of Croatia, 46 multi-annual programmes and institutional support grants that were taken over, and 2 research projects. It also financed the education of 3 scholarship holders from the CARNET E-learning academy, and 25 representatives of associations in the Programme of Information and Education on the EU.

The calls for proposals was invited for 3 categories of institutional support:

- 1st category – grant up to HRK 350,000
- 2nd category – grant up to HRK 150,000
- 3rd category – grant up to HRK 50,000

In this programme area, the following grants were awarded:

- a) in the first category, 10 grants amounting to HRK 496,992
- b) in the second category, 10 grants amounting to HRK 1,389,935,54
- c) in the third category, 10 grants amounting to HRK 3,227,993.28

The total amount of grants awarded for all three categories was HRK 5,114,920.82.

Therefore, in the above-mentioned programme areas, there were 162 grants awarded to civil society organisations as a result of public tenders, amounting to a total of HRK 11,517,778.77.

It is important to mention that all calls for proposals submitted to the National Foundation are opened before a commission in the presence of two external members. Subsequently, project proposals that satisfy the formal conditions of the calls for proposals are evaluated by experts in two independent expert bodies: the Programmes Committee for Evaluation (for PA-1 and PA-2) and the Council for Strategic Investment into Civil Society Development (for PA-4 and PA-5). On the basis of their evaluations and proposals for decisions, the Management Board of the National Foundation approves the total amounts of grants for the approved initiatives, projects and institutional support grants.

a) Continuously open calls for proposals

— CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE CO-FINANCING OF PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS (PA-5-A) AND PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN EXPERTS IN CROATIA (PA-5-B)

The co-financing of participation in international meetings for civil society organisations or for the participation of foreign experts in Croatia is approved continuously throughout the year provided that the application for co-financing is submitted at the latest 30 days before the event at which representatives of organisations wish to participate, or before the event in Croatia at which a foreign

expert will attend. An important precondition is that the meeting is relevant for the development of civil society in Croatia, and priority is given to those organisations whose representatives have presentations that have already been accepted at those meetings.

There were 28 grants approved in 2005 for the co-financing of attendance at international gatherings by representatives of associations. The total investment amounted to HRK 156,275.96. There were 6 grants approved for the participation of foreign experts at events organised by Croatian associations, amounting to a total of HRK 36,612.99.

There were 34 grants amounting to HRK 192,888.95 awarded for this programme area that encourages international networking and the transfer of knowledge necessary for the further development of civil society in Croatia.

— MULTI-ANNUAL GRANTS (2004-2007) PAID OUT IN 2005

The National Foundation undertook obligations on the basis of signed multi-annual (three year) contracts for the financing of programmes/institutional support approved for the calls for proposals issued in 2004. These are grants approved within the programme area PA-4 “Democratisation and Civil Society Development” (HRK 991,553.27), in the programme area of institutional support and stabilisation of associations PA-6 (HRK 5,500,000.00), for the programme related to the linking of associations PA-7 (HRK 1,791.856.00). The total amount of grants approved on the basis of the 2004 calls for proposals amounted to HRK 8,283,409.27.

>> SEE ANNEX FOR MORE DETAILS: Overview of approved initiatives, projects and institutional support grants

2. Start of the Process of Decentralisation and Regional Development

The National Foundation has undertaken, within the Operational Strategy for 2004-2007, to develop a model for the decentralisation of its own activities in the process of the implementation of its mission and goals, which will include the decentralisation of funds management on the basis of two main principles: acting at the re-

gional level and partnership with local organisations and civil society initiatives. The start of the establishment of this model is based on the employment of partners to stimulate the development and cooperation of local communities in the region.

In 2005 the Foundation had four partners in the regions, that is, in regional offices in Zadar, Crikvenica, Osijek and Čakovec. Because it was insufficiently used, the office in Čakovec was closed in the summer of 2005, and all business for central Croatia was relocated to the Foundation's headquarters in Zagreb.

Thanks to grants from the private Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, the National Foundation was able to approach the grant decentralisation process in a more effective manner in applying the principle of subsidiarity and in allowing for the management and distribution of funds at a level closer to where the projects are implemented. In other words, such management and distribution of funds take place locally where the projects, programmes and initiatives react to a community need or problem.

The unequal level of representation or presence of civil society organisations in the counties of the Republic of Croatia (there is a ratio of 1:9 in the number of registered associations) indicates that there is a need to invest further in the development of civil society organisations at the local, county, and regional (multi-county) level.

While working on the regional development programme, the Foundation envisaged cooperation with the existing civil society organisations that may assist and contribute with their knowledge and experience to the quicker, better, and more efficient further development of civil society at the local, county and regional level.

Once the Management Board of the Foundation had adopted a Decision on the launching of the Programme for Decentralisation and Regional Development, the programme was presented to interested civil society organisations in Osijek (13 June 2005), Rijeka (14 June 2005) and Zagreb (17 June 2005).

This marked the start of consultations with civil society organisations in this important process.

From June until early October 2005, partners for regional development organised meetings of focus groups in counties on the subject of the regional development of civil society capacity. A total of 1,816 invitations were sent to associations to participate in focus groups in the counties (central Croatia – 646 associations were invited, Dalmatia – 630 associations were invited, Istra and the region of Rijeka – 329 associations were invited, and Slavonia and Baranja – 317 associations were invited).

The planned process of decentralisation of the Foundation's grant management and regional development was presented at meetings of representatives of civil society organisations and in focus groups. This was followed by a discussion, thus enabling the civil society organisations to become involved in the planned process by raising objections and making suggestions.

For the purpose of the further inclusion of civil society organisations in the preparations and guiding of the Programme for Decentralisation and Regional Development, the Foundation issued a public invitation for the selection of experts from associations from different parts of the Republic of Croatia to become members of the Advisory Board for Decentralisation and Regional Development.

On the basis of received applications, the Management Board of the Foundation adopted at its session of 8 July 2005 a Decision on the appointment of members of the Advisory Board. The main task of this Advisory Board is to draw up a proposal for the model of regional development of civil society in the Republic of Croatia.

The following people were appointed members of the Advisory Board for Decentralisation and Regional Development:

1. Mrs. Vesna Zec, Management Board of the National Foundation
2. Mrs. Marija Boltek, Programme Coordinator for the Programme for Grants and Regional Development
3. Esmeralda Sunko, Split (Dalmatia)
4. Milorad Nenadović, Bilje (Slavonia and Baranja)
5. Kristina Belušić, Pula (Istria and the region of Rijeka)
6. Andrea Rosandić, Zagreb (central Croatia)
7. Mirjana Samardžić, Zagreb (adviser in the CARDS programme for regional development of RC).

Advisory meeting of associations in Zagreb, at the Mimara Museum, November 2005



The Advisory Board examined the minutes from the regional advisory meetings and the report from the advisory meeting that was held later in Zagreb and, taking into account all the feedback received during the advisory process, submitted to the Management Board the working material for the preparation of the Programme for Decentralisation and Regional Development as two separate, yet related, processes.

It was suggested that a business plan be prepared for decentralisation which would serve to determine the manner and the model of organising a decentralised model of grant management for civil society development in extended counties (potentially future regions) in the Republic of Croatia.

Concerning regional development, the Advisory Board recommended that support be given to the programme of education which should also be expanded, and also proposed that support be given for the further development of civil society organisations at the local, county and regional levels.

The Foundation will engage an external expert for the process of decentralisation who will prepare the necessary business plan, while an invitation for the expression of interest for cooperation will be issued for the development of civil society organisations in regions in 2006.

4 Programme of cooperation

1. Education - the European Year of Citizenship through Education

During 2005 the National Foundation worked intensely on the collection of data on educational programmes conducted by civil society organisations and on the promotion of such programmes. The Foundation's efforts coincided with the fact that the Council of Europe proclaimed 2005 the "European Year of Citizenship through Education". The Foundation actively participated in the marking of this year.

The Republic of Croatia joined the Member States of the Council of Europe in marking the European Year of Citizenship through Education by having the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports appoint a National Committee for the European Year of Citizenship through Education whose task was, among other things, to prepare the Action Plan for Learning Democracy and Human Rights.

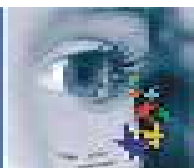
With this Action Plan, the National Foundation for Civil Society Development undertook to prepare a *Catalogue of Programmes for Informal Education on Human Rights and Democratic Citizenship Implemented by Civil Society Organisations*.

The Foundation collected data for the Catalogue on the basis of notifications about programmes of informal education implemented by associations which had submitted their applications for the expression of interest for the implementation of educational training and modules in 2004 and 2005 and on the basis of data collected in a questionnaire that was sent to other associations as well.

The data collected by the Foundation accorded perfectly with the data received from the study *Non-governmental organisations and citizens' education: An overview of existing programmes and their efficiency*, conducted, with the financial support of the National Foundation, by the Croatian Political Sciences Association. The chief researchers of the Croatian Political Sciences Association were Tihomir Žiljak, MSc, and Berto Šalaj, MSc.

As a contribution to the marking of the European Year of Citizenship through Education, this led to the creation of a very useful and purposeful guide through civil society organisations that have enriched the area of informal education for human rights and democratic citizenship in the Republic of Croatia.

2005
The European Year of
Citizenship through
Education



The digital version of this Catalogue was placed on the website of the Foundation to allow the data to be continuously supplemented and updated.

2. Research

During 2005 six studies were conducted with the financial support of the National Foundation on the position and development of civil society in the Republic of Croatia. These studies had been approved in 2004.

Two of these studies were completed in 2005. One of them was the already mentioned piece of research conducted by the National Political Sciences Association from Zagreb *Non-governmental organisation and citizens' education: An overview of existing programmes and their efficiency.*

The second was the CIVICUS Civil Society Index in the Republic of Croatia implemented by the CERANEO association from Zagreb. The Civil Society Index is an action-research project which assesses the state of civil society around the world. In Croatia it was implemented for the second time in the period between 2003 and 2005. The results of the study were made available on the website of the Foundation: <http://zaklada.civilnodrustvo.hr/>.

Four studies have still not been completed and will continue during 2006. They all expect to contribute to the better understanding of the basic determinants of civil society development in Croatia.

The Centre for Peace, Non-violence and Human Rights from Osijek has been conducting a research project entitled *The Influence of Volunteers on the Creation of Conditions for the Building of Peace and Community in Multi-ethnic Communities*. The purpose of this project is to investigate the differences in the behaviour and attitudes among respondents from multi-ethnic communities from Eastern Slavonia where civil society organisations are active in conducting volunteer activities, and from those communities where there are no such activities or where they are negligible. The goal of the project is to stimulate volunteers and local government to take an active role and assume responsibility for the development of the community itself on the basis of values such as tolerance among, and co-existence of, all ethnic groups.

Albert E, an association of citizens for transition, has been conducting a research project entitled the *System of Social Values in the Transition Process of the Republic of Croatia as a Determining Factor of Civil Activism*.

The FADE IN association from Zagreb has been engaged in a study for the first time in Croatia under the working title *Anthology of Croatian Civil Society*, which will result in a documentary film showing the key actors in the development of the civil scene in Croatia from the beginning until today.

The Anti-War Campaign of Croatia has finished its research on the subject "*Conscientious Objection and the Role of Civil Society in the Democratisation Process*", which brings a new perspective on the attitude of the public towards the current subject of conscientious objection.

On the basis of the invitation to submit expressions of interest for conducting research related to the position and development of civil society in the Republic of Croatia in 2005, the implementation of two research projects was approved. The first is research on the *Contribution of Civil Society Organisations to the Development of Democratic Processes in the Republic of Croatia* by the Women's Human Rights Group B.a.b.e., and the second is the study *Achievements, Problems and Vision of the Development of the Foundations in Croatia* by the CERANEO association from Zagreb.

>> MORE DETAILS IN THE ANNEX: Overview of approved research projects in 2005

3. Media Projects

In accordance with the Operational Strategy of the Foundation which envisages activities in the field of the media to strengthen the influence of the public, as well as to increase the visibility of the effects of the initiatives and of civil society organisations, and to facilitate the development of non-profit media projects, the National Foundation issued two calls for expression of interest in the field of media projects.

One invitation was intended for experts to express their interest in participating in the work of the Expert Working Group for Non-Profit Media Projects for the Stimulation of Democracy and Civil Society Development. The task of that Expert Working Group was to assess needs in the field of non-profit media projects for the stimu-

lation of democracy and civil society development in Republic of Croatia, to prepare recommendations for the recognition of needs, to award concessions for non-profit media projects, to make recommendations on quality standards that must be fulfilled by non-profit media projects, and to define the strategy for the award of grants from the Foundation to non-profit media projects.

On the basis of the expressed interest for cooperation, the Management Board of the Foundation appointed the following members to the Expert Working Group: Vesna Kesić, Aleksandra Uzelac, Gordana Simonović, Omer Rak, Dejan Kršić, Teodor Celakoski from the Management Board of the National Foundation, and Ruža Beljan from the National Foundation. Taking into account the complexity of the task, the Expert Working Group will finish its work on the recommendations to the Foundation in the course of 2006.

The other calls for expression of interest was aimed at all associations, foundations and other legal persons, whose basic purpose is not-for-profit, to express their interest in cooperating on the existing and new non-profit media projects for the promotion of democracy and civil society development. A total of 22 associations expressed their interest in cooperation by submitting their media projects.

The assessment of the said 22 media projects was not possible before the completion of the recommendations and criteria by the Expert Working Group. For that reason, the approval of grants has been planned for early 2006.

4. Support to the development and promotion of volunteerism

In accordance with its mission and the basic goals of its activities, the National Foundation has undertaken to provide systematic support to the development and promotion of volunteerism in the Republic of Croatia. One of the ways to achieve this goal is to promote the exchange of experiences of volunteers themselves or of organisations that draw together volunteers at specialised conferences and meetings.

The success achieved and the results of the First National Conference on Volunteering, which was organised by the Foundation in 2004, prompted the National Foundation to leave the future organisation and preparation of conferences on volunteering to the associa-

National Conference on Volunteering



tions themselves. The reasons for this are many: associations best know their needs, they know what impedes and what stimulates their development, they have the largest number of volunteers, and the volunteer spirit is the main characteristic of the non-profit sector.

Consequently, the Foundation published an invitation for the submission of expressions of interest for the organisation of the Second National Conference on Volunteering. The invitation was open for associations with the capacity to organise the conference in cooperation with at least 5 non-governmental organisations.

- **Conference under the slogan *I am volunteering, although I don't have to!***

The MoSt association from Split was selected on the basis of the invitation above. This association therefore organised the 2nd National Conference on Volunteering under the slogan *I am volunteering, although I don't have to!* in the Medena Hotel in Trogir from 13 to 15 October 2005. MoSt organised the conference in partnership with the following associations: the MI association from Split, the SMART association from Rijeka, the Youth Network from Zagreb and the Centre for Peace, Non-Violence and Human Rights from Osijek.

A total of 250 representatives participated in the work of the Conference, including representatives of associations, schools, organisations and institutions from the entire territory of Croatia. In



During the official opening of the Conference in Trogir.

addition to volunteers, state officials, representatives of Embassies, institutions and the media also attended the Conference.

On the last day of the Conference, on Saturday October 15, the participants were involved in the volunteer action of cleaning up the source of the River Jadro near Solin.

— International Volunteer Day – 5 December

For the second year in a row, the National Foundation organised activities for the celebration of the International Volunteer Day, stimulating the wider public to think about the values brought by volunteerism.

With financial support from UNDP, opinion polls were conducted on public attitudes towards volunteering. The poll was run by the SPEM communications group as a telephone survey on a sample of 1000 randomly selected respondents older than 15 years of age from the entire territory of Croatia.

The poll showed that only five percent of the Croatian public volunteer, while more than half of the respondents had not even considered volunteering.

The most frequent form of humanitarian activity of Croatian citizens is still humanitarian actions through telephone calls or material donations made to organisations such as the *Caritas* or the *Red Cross*. According to the study, as many as 43% of respondents participate in such activities.

This research yielded interesting statistical data on the satisfaction with the quality of life of respondents in general. As many as 40% of the Croatian public are satisfied with the quality of their lives, 9% are very satisfied, slightly fewer than 38% are neither satisfied nor unsatisfied, 11% are dissatisfied, and 2.5% are very dissatisfied. Those who are very satisfied mostly belong to the age groups of 15 to 19, and from 30 to 39, have finished undergraduate study, a master's course or a PhD, or are students, with an income from HRK 7,000 to 11,000 and who live in the area of the Counties of Zagreb, Krapina-Zagorje or Osijek-Baranja.

The integral text of the study is available at the Foundation's website at: http://zaklada.civilnodrustvo.hr/priopcenj_za_javnost/

5 Encouraging cross-sectoral cooperation

The Republic of Croatia was the first country of South East Europe to have accepted in early 2001 a programme of cooperation between the Government and the non-governmental, non-profit sector. In order to place Croatian experience, knowledge and good practice on the regional and international market, the Commission for State Property Management of the Government of the Republic of Croatia adopted a decision on 1 February 2005 ceding to the Foundation the premises of the former military barracks “Franko Lisica” in Zadar for the establishment of a European Centre for Cross-Sectoral Cooperation.

Within the framework of the UNDP project entitled *Strengthening the Capacity of the National Foundation for Civil Society Development to Support Civil Society Development in Croatia*, the National Foundation continued its work on the project for the establishment of the European Centre for Cross-Sectoral Cooperation in Zadar.

Consequently, in 2005 a number of experts were engaged to prepare the operational programme and the educational module of this project. The aim was to define the purpose, goals, activities, target groups, strategic partners and educational programmes of the Centre.



The building of the former “Franko Lisica” military barracks in Zadar that will be the future premises of the European Centre for Cross-Sectoral Cooperation.

THE GOALS OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRE ARE THE FOLLOWING:

- to enable the public, business and the non-profit sector to acquire and improve knowledge and skills related to the opportunities and advantages of partnership, thus exerting influencing on strengthening local democratic structures, creating a favourable environment for the development of partnership, enabling local communities to participate in the creation of local development policies and in monitoring their application, and encouraging the development of cooperation between local civil society organisations, local government, the business sector and the media in order to satisfy and respond to the needs of local communities;
- through the development of cross-sectoral partnership, to contribute to the fight against poverty, the introduction of a culture of dialogue, the democratisation of society, and the development of civil society and efficient partnership models in developed European regions;
- to enable cross-border cooperation and an exchange of knowledge, models and skills and regional cooperation on the issues of partnership, with special emphasis on the strengthening of local civil society organisations, local government and the business sector in the South East European countries, leading to the creation of a favourable legal and institutional framework for cross-sectoral cooperation and partnership on the basis of the best European and international practice in establishing partnerships.

THE PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRE WILL BE THE FOLLOWING:

- study and educational programmes implemented continuously in cooperation with international and national partnership organisations
- the organisation of public debates on the subjects of cross-sectoral cooperation and partnership
- public advocacy of cross-sectoral cooperation and partnership
- interdisciplinary research
- technical assistance and counselling
- publishing

In addition to educational services, the Centre will offer, on its premises of almost 1,500 m², 20 accommodation units, a multimedia centre, a convention room, an exhibition room and a library.

It is planned that the European Centre for Cross-Cultural Cooperation will become operational in late 2006 provided that the basic preconditions related to the adaptation of the premises are met.

International cooperation programme and international projects

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EU PROGRAMMES – CARDS

CARDS 2002 – Social service delivery by the non-profit organisations in social welfare, protection of health, extra-institutional education, and protection of the family

The CARDS programme (Community Assistance for Reconstruction, Development and Stabilisation), a European Union technical assistance programme, was accepted in December 2000. The main goal of this programme is to provide support to South East European countries for their active participation in the Stabilisation and Association Process.



Under Service Contract No. 96498 concluded with the European Commission on 11 March 2005, the Foundation has provided technical assistance to the Delegation of the European Commission in the Republic of Croatia for the carrying out of grant procedures and for monitoring the implementation of projects responding to the call for proposal CARDS 2002 – Social Service Delivery by the Non-Profit Sector in social welfare, protection of health, extra-institutional education, and protection of the family.

The main goal of the grant scheme CARDS 2002 – Social Service Delivery by the Non-Profit Sector in social welfare, protection of health, extra-institutional education, and protection of the family, (hereinafter: CARDS 2002 call for proposals) was to provide support to civil society organisations for the delivery of social services at the local level in cooperation with institutions from the system of social welfare, health and education. Within the range of available funds, it has been established that grants may be awarded to projects that, in addition to general conditions relating to administrative and technical eligibility, satisfy at least one or more of the following priorities:

- provision of concrete services in the areas of social welfare, protection of health, extra-institutional education
- services contributing to a better quality of current services
- services that are usually provided but are not available in the area where the projects are implemented

- projects that expand the provision or scope of existing services in relation to the needs of end users
- other services for which there is a documented need at the local level

The minimum amount that an association can request from the European Commission is EUR 25,000 and the maximum EUR 75,000. The total amount that may be awarded, and which has been envisaged within the framework of the CARDS 2002 call for proposals, is EUR 700,000.

Pursuant to the provisions of the mentioned Service Contract No. 96498, the National Foundation for Civil Society Development conducted the following activities during 2005:

- expression of interest for the selection of assessors project proposals – a total of 44 applications were received and processed
- training of 9 selected assessors
- assessment of administrative compliance and eligibility of 94 project proposals
- assessment of technical quality of 15 project proposals
- pre-grant audit (assessment of the capacity of organisations - beneficiaries for the financial management of grants, and harmonisation of the project budgets with the activities envisaged in those projects, and with market prices) of 10 retained projects
- translation of approved project proposals into English
- recruitment and training of 3 local NGO experts - secondees for the management of grants from the CARDS programme who will monitor the grants at the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare and Ministry of Science, Education and Sports within the framework of the scope of activity of these ministries
- selection of external experts for the provision of technical assistance to organisations – beneficiaries of grants

The implementation of the approved 10 projects of the organisations started in December 2005.

During 2006 the National Foundation will continue conducting other activities defined in the above-mentioned Contract.

POSITION OF THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION IN THE SYSTEM OF THE DECENTRALISED IMPLEMENTATION SYSTEM OF THE EUROPEAN UNION PRE-ACCESSION FUNDS

On the basis of the appointment of the National Foundation for Civil Society Development as an intermediary body for grant management schemes within the framework of the Croatian system of decentralised implementation of European Union assistance programmes and of the experience gained during the implementation of the scheme grant CARDS 2002 Social Service Delivery by the non-profit sector in social welfare, protection of health, extra-institutional education, and protection of the family, the National Foundation, in cooperation with the Ministry of Finance, the Central Financing and Contracting Unit discussed in 2005 ways of participating in the implementation of the call for proposals for non-governmental /non-profit organisations within the framework of the projects:

- CARDS 2004 – Social Service Delivery for the Protection of Health, Social Welfare and Extra-intuitional Education
- PHARE 2005 – Strengthening of Civil Society

It is expected that the implementation of the above-mentioned calls for proposals will start either during 2006 or in 2007.

In 2006 special emphasis will be placed on defining the role of the National Foundation in the implementation of grant schemes within the framework of the new Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA). This programme has been accepted by the European Commission for the budget period 2007-2013 and will include all pre-accession programmes that have been opened so far for the Republic of Croatia (CARDS; PHARE, ISPA, SAPARD).

Since the contents and principles for the implementation of the IPA programme will be based on experience gained during the implementation of previous pre-accession programmes, and since emphasis will be focused on the further preparations of the Republic of Croatia to make optimal use of the structural funds after accession to the EU, the Foundation might be an important factor in the implementation of this programme for the following reasons:

- in accordance with its mission, programme goals and basic activities, the National Foundation for Civil Society Development systematically improves the capacity of the civil society sector in the context of social cohesion as one of the priorities of all EU programmes, in particular the development of social entrepre-

neurship through the delivery of social services, protection of health, and family services. In addition to grants provided to civil society organisations, the Foundation has been implementing various educational programmes that indirectly deal with the issues and improvement of social cohesion and the role of civil society in this area;

- calls for proposals for the award of grants to civil society organisations financed from state budget funds and a part of the revenue from games of chance allow for the development of sustainable *know-how* relating to the entire process, from the preparation and the call for proposals to the assessment of approved projects. The whole procedure is largely harmonised with the relevant standards of the European Commission;
- participation as described above in the implementation of the CARDS programme has additionally developed the existing *know-how*, thus fulfilling the main preconditions for the inclusion of the Foundation in the process of accreditation of a decentralised implementation system for the IPA programme
- regular cooperation with sister foundations in the Czech Republic and Romania provides opportunities for a day-to-day exchange of experiences with those organisations in relation to the implementation of grant schemes from EU funds to non-governmental, non-profit organisations.

Accordingly, the Foundation could serve as an implementing body (the same or extended model in comparison with the role it has had so far within the CARDS programme) for all future grant schemes in the to non-governmental, non-profit sector within the framework of the component of the IPA programme *Development of Human Resources*, most notably:

- increase of flexibility of the workforce by means of lifelong learning
- active employment measures for marginalised, socially excluded groups
- other types of strengthening of social inclusion and fighting against all types of discrimination in the labour market
- general stimulation of partnership and cross-sectoral cooperation in the field of employment and social inclusion.

The Foundation's full participation in the above-mentioned process/priority areas would allow for the systematic and efficient inclusion of the civil society sector in the use of Structural Funds, in particular the European Social Fund.

European Citizens Action Service (ECAS)

In cooperation with the European organisation European Citizens Action Service (ECAS) from Brussels, the National Foundation issued a call for proposals for the implementation of the Information, Training and Scholarship programme (ITS) on the EU for representatives of Croatian associations.

The goal of the Programme was to stimulate the more active participation of Croatian non-governmental organisations in the process of Croatia's accession to the EU and their better connection with umbrella non-governmental networks active at the EU level in Brussels. The educational programme lasted for six months (from November 2004 until May 2005). It was attended by twenty-five representatives of non-governmental organisations selected on the basis of a public call for proposals.

The programme of education on the EU was organised as a series of four seminars in Croatia (extended weekends) and two seminars in Brussels.

The following seminars were organised:

- institutional and legal organisation of the EU
- Croatia's accession process to the EU and the role of civil society organisations
- information sources on the EU for associations
- sources for financing associations' projects from EU funds
- how to make a successful project fiche following the rules of the European Commission
- pre-accession assistance and structural funds – challenges for associations
- possibilities for better cooperation and networking of associations from Croatia and the EU
- skills for successful communication with EU institutions
- lobbying in the decision-making process in the EU.

Days of Croatian associations in Brussels

Within the framework of the Programme, representatives from 25 associations from Croatia took part in a study visit to EU institutions and umbrella European non-governmental networks with headquarters in Brussels. On the first day of their visit, on 18 April



Croatian participants at the ECAS programme in Brussels

2005, the Day of Croatian Associations in Brussels was organised and a presentation was made of the main achievements in the development of civil society in the Republic of Croatia, as well as the challenges faced by civil society organisations in the process of Croatia's accession to the EU.

Within the framework of the Days of Croatian Associations, a round table was organised on the subject of the *Development of Civil Society in Croatia in the Context of European Integration*, during which representatives of the European Commission and of the EU Economic and Social Committee and representatives of several influential international foundations active in Brussels emphasised the importance of the timely active involvement of civil society organisations in the process of Croatia's accession to the EU.

International Conference - The EU and Croatia: Strengthening Civil Society Dialogue

At the close of the Programme of Information and Education on the European Union for representatives of associations from Croatia, the National Foundation and ECAS organised the international con-

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Raymond Georis, Deputy President of ECAS, and Vice-President of the Croatian Government, Jadranka Kosor, handing a certificate to one of the participants of the Programme, Danijela Vrdoljak from Split



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:
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Enlargement; Elodie
Fazi, Civil Society
Contact Group,
Brussels; Raymond
Georis, Deputy Presi-
dent of ECAS; Filiz Bik-
men, the *Third Sector*
Foundation, Turkey;
Miklos Barabas,
European Economic
and Social Committee



ference *EU and Croatia: Strengthening of Civil Society Dialogue*, which took place on 30 September 2005 at Novinarski Dom in Zagreb under the auspices of the Government of the Republic of Croatia.

The Vice-President of the Government of the Republic of Croatia and Minister of Family, Veterans' Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity, Mrs. Jadranka Kosor, on that occasion handed certificates to the participants.

About a hundred participants attended the Conference, including three representatives of the Government of the Republic of Croatia, and representatives from civil society organisations from Croatia, EU institutions, distinguished non-governmental associations from Brussels, and civil society organisations from Turkey.

The discussions during the Conference focused on the expectations held by Croatian civil society connected with Croatia's accession to the EU and the possibility for their active involvement in the accession negotiation process. On the basis of a very stimulating and active discussion, the National Foundation and the European Citizens Action Service concluded that a common view was held on the following issues:

1. Participants of the conference expressed their satisfaction with the fact that the European Union had launched an initiative for the strengthening of civil society dialogue in the EU and candidate countries. Representatives of civil society organisations from Croatia expressed their hope and expectation that the European Commission would soon suggest operative measures for

the implementation in Croatia of such an initiative, which had already been done in the case of Turkey.

2. It was regretfully concluded at the Conference that, in contrast to all other former candidate countries, Croatia does not enjoy the opportunity of establishing a joint consultative committee with the Economic and Social Committee of the EU because, according to the legal services of the European Commission and the Secretariat of the Council of the EU, the Stabilisation and Association Agreement does not provide a legal basis for this. Since joint consultative committees had a very important role in the promotion of interaction between the economic and social agents of organised civil society in the EU and candidate countries during the process of preparations for accession to the EU, the Government of the Republic of Croatia has been asked to examine the possibility of resolving the issue of the legal basis for the establishment of a joint consultative committee.
3. In the context of the start of negotiations between Croatia and the EU, emphasis was placed on the importance of establishing clear criteria for the inclusion of representatives of civil society organisations in the working groups for the preparation of negotiating positions.
4. Attention was especially drawn to the fact that all other candidate countries, within the framework of available pre-accession programmes, were offered many more opportunities than Croatia to learn and prepare for partner work with EU institutions after accession. In that sense, the Government of the Republic of Croatia was invited, when determining priorities for financing projects in the process of programming the future EU assistance programmes, to take into account the strengthening of the capacity of civil society as an important goal and priority.

One of the most important conclusions related to the request made to the Government of the RC and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration to investigate the possibility of resolving the problem of the legal basis for the establishment of a joint consultative committee. Joint consultative committees in all the former candidate countries had played a very important role in the promotion of interaction between economic and social agents in organised civil society in the EU and candidate countries during the preparations for EU membership.

On the basis of the Conference conclusions and the Foundation's initiative, at the 78th session of the Economic and Social Committee held on 1 December 2005, the Council adopted a conclusion supporting the initiative to establish a joint consultative committee between the Republic of Croatia and the European Social and Economic Committee.

The Government of the Republic of Croatia forwarded to the Delegation of the European Commission to the Republic of Croatia and to the European Economic and Social Committee a request to establish a Joint Consultative Committee between the Republic of Croatia and the European Social and Economic Committee as soon as possible.

Cooperation with the Czech Foundation for Civil Society Development (NROS)

For the purpose of a comprehensive exchange of experience and knowledge and for the purpose of developing joint activities, during 2005 the National Foundation for Civil Society Development established cooperation with the Czech sister Foundation for Civil Society Development - Nedace rozvoje občanske společnosti (hereinafter NROS).

NROS was established in 1993 on the recommendation of the European Commission. For 12 years NROS was one of 5 implement-

Employees of the National Foundation during the study visit to the Czech Foundation in Prague.



ing agencies for the PHARE programme in the Czech Republic and as such it represented the main mechanism for the distribution of European Union funds from the PHARE programme and from other specialised programmes intended for civil society development. In 2004 NROS was accredited by the European Commission for the implementation of grant schemes in the field of civil society organisations within the framework of the European Social Fund (the so-called *Global Grant*).

Other activities of NROS include programmes for the development of philanthropy and human rights, strengthening of youth capacity for inclusion in local initiatives, and strengthening of the capacity of Czech non-governmental organisations for inclusion in different initiatives at the level of the European Union.

After initial contacts, the first significant step forward was a study visit to the Czech sister foundation on 11-15 July 2005. During the study visit Czech colleagues familiarised the employees of the National Foundation with the structure and procedures for the decentralised implementation of grant schemes financed from European Union funds and with the procedures necessary to obtain relevant accreditation from the European Commission.

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: David Stulik, member of the EU Economic and Social Committee from the Foundation for Civil Society Development in the Czech Republic; Ionut Sibian, Foundation for Civil Society Development, Romania; Višnja Samardžić, IMO, Zagreb; Metka Rokсандić, member of the EU Economic and Social Committee from the Association of Free Trade Unions, Slovenia.



Round Tables

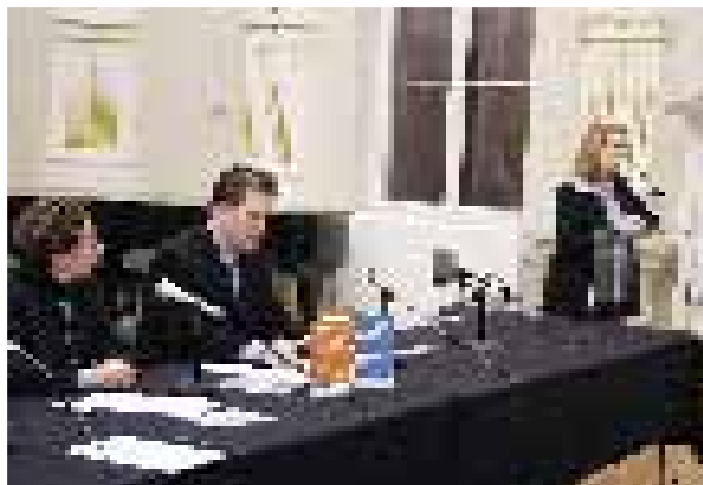
— CIVIL SOCIETY AND THE STATE – PARTNERS IN NEGOTIATIONS ON ACCESSION TO THE EU?

On 24 November 2005, the National Foundation for Civil Society Development and the Institute for International Relations, with financial assistance from and in cooperation with the UNDP Office in Croatia, organised in the Mimara Museum in Zagreb a round table on the subject *Civil Society and the State – Partners in Accession Negotiations with the EU?*

The goal of the Conference was to stimulate discussion, among other things, about the challenges faced by civil society organisations in candidate countries during the process of accession to the European Union. In addition to representatives of the Government of the Republic of Croatia and civil society organisations from Croatia, the Conference was attended by representatives of umbrella European non-governmental associations from Brussels and representatives of civil society from the Czech Republic, Romania and Slovenia.

The conclusions from the Conference were presented to all relevant bodies and to the public.

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:
Cvjetana Plavša-Matić;
David Moore, programme director of the European Centre for Not-for-Profit Law;
Jennifer Stuart, AED Director in Croatia



Status of public-benefit organisations

On 6 December 2005 at the Mimara Museum in Zagreb, the National Foundation for Civil Society Development organised, in cooperation with the European Centre for Not-for-Profit Law from Budapest and with the financial support from USAID, a round table on the subject the *Status of Public-Benefit Organisations*.

The reason for the organisation of the round table was the publication of a booklet published by the National Foundation in cooperation with experts from the European Centre for Not-for-Profit Law from Budapest and with financial support from USAID.

Since 2002, attempts have been made in Croatia to open discussion on the need to define public-benefit organisations, in particular after the significant increase in the number of registered associations, increasing from 15,793 in 1999 to almost 28,000 in 2005.

In addition to promoting the booklet, and with the desire to contribute to improving and defining the legal framework in the Republic of Croatia on the basis of the best European and international practice, the National Foundation organised a round table that was attended by domestic and international experts.

UNDP (United Nations Development Programme)

After the initial support provided by the UK Department for International Development, the Foundation started successful cooperation with the UNDP Office in Croatia in 2005 which resulted in a grant approved by the UNDP to the Foundation through the project “*Strengthening the Capacity of the National Foundation for Civil Society Development to Provide Support to Civil Society Development in Croatia*”.

Considering the experience and expertise of UNDP in the region and the experience of UNDP in Croatia in strengthening local capacity, the expected result is an organisationally and procedurally strengthened Foundation capable of proficiently implementing assistance programmes for the development of civil society in Croatia.

7 Information and education programme

In 2005 the National Foundation worked intensely on the programme of information and education of civil society organisations on issues important for the strengthening of capacity and on the further development of the sector.

In addition to information provided over the Internet, which has grown in the past year to several thousand pages of documents, this also involved continued work on the library database, the publishing of expert books and several issues of the magazine *Civilsociety.hr*.

The Foundation organised two seminars for all subscribers to the magazine. In the first seminar, experts for financial business operations of non-profit organisations, Davor Vašiček, MSc, and Danica Lončar, MSc, from the Croatian Association of Accountants and Financial Experts, held a one day seminar on the financial and tax-related operations of associations. The second seminar for associations dealt with the subject of the quality of the work system of non-profit organisations. This workshop was chaired by Mrs. Morana Krajnovic-Smodlaka, Deputy Director of the CRONGO programme of the Academy for Educational Development.

Among the published reviews and presentations of the National Foundation, we would like to single out the following:



“50 Questions and Answers on the Treaty establishing the Constitution for Europe is a Croatian translation of a booklet published by the European Citizens Action Service from Brussels in February 2005. This is the Croatian edition of that booklet which also happens to be the first edition in a European language other than English. The booklet is important because it allows civil society organisations, and all citizens, to become familiar with key issues brought by the European Constitution and the European Union as a community. This booklet may be seen as providing assistance to citizens and associations in learning about concepts of participatory democracy, and in becoming actively involved in discussions on the European Constitution.” Raymond Georis, executive director of the European Foundation *Madriaga* from Brussels at the presentation of the booklet in Split, 9 May 2005, as part of the main celebration of Europe Day.



From the presentation of the book in Split: Raymond Georis and Cvjetana Plavša-Matić



Catalogue of programmes for informal education on human rights and democratic citizenship implemented by civil society organisations in the Republic of Croatia

Civil society is an essential subject in political and theoretical discussions on the development of democracy and the better functioning of democratic political systems. A significant number of authors emphasise civil society associations as an important element in improving the quality of democratic political processes. There are numerous ways in which civil society, that is, non-governmental organisations, contribute to the development of democracy, and, therefore, it is often mentioned that they promote the freedom of association, perform critical supervision over the functioning of the government, provide additional space for the promotion and representation of certain interests, contribute to higher quality public discussions on common problems, and so on...

(From the Foreword to the Catalogue, Tihomir Žiljak MSc, Berto Šalaj MSc)



The booklet *Legal Framework for the Activity of Public Benefit Organisations in the Republic of Croatia and Public Benefit Status: A Comparative Overview* (by Mladen Ivanović and David Moore) was published by the National Foundation in cooperation with the European Centre for Not-for-Profit Law from Budapest with financial support provided by USAID.

The Foundation published this booklet with the desire to contribute to improving and defining the legal framework in the Republic of Croatia on the basis of the best European and international practice and in order to help find the highest quality solution for issues concerning the status of public-benefit organisations in the Republic of Croatia (from the Foreword).



The National Foundation for Civil Society Development is the publisher of the Croatian edition of this manual, and the English original was published by the European Citizen Action Service (ECAS) from Brussels. The National Foundation cooperates with ECAS in strengthening the capacity of civil society organisations in Croatia for the processes of European integration. According to ECAS, the purpose of this guide is to present an overview and collect in one place all information from different websites of many departments of the European Commission, which is the largest European donor.

(Sandra Trinković, Poslovni dnevnik)



Civilnodruštvo.hr magazine



Number 2 of Civilnodruštvo.hr magazine is devoted to volunteering or volunteer work. Attached to this issue is a CD-ROM with 10 promotional video clips on volunteers recorded by the NGO *Fade in*, as well as the draft proposal on the Volunteering Act in the form in which it was forwarded to the Ministry of Family, Veterans' Affairs and Intergenerational Solidarity.



Numbers 3/4 of Civilnodruštvo.hr magazine are devoted to cooperation between the government and civil society organisations. Besides the Croatian model, this issue covers the experiences of other countries, such as Hungary and Great Britain. The magazine also features an analysis of similar models of institutions (Offices for Cooperation with NGOs, Councils, and Foundations) in ten countries of Central and Eastern Europe: Poland, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia, Slovenia, Croatia, Romania, Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia. Attached to this issue is a CD-ROM of the book "50 Questions and Answers on the EU Constitution".



Number 5 of Civilnodruštvo.hr magazine deals with social capital. Providing added value to the high-quality texts on social capital written by well-known local experts is the publication "Social Capital in Croatia", founded on a study conducted in Čakovec and Donji Miholjac by Ms Libby Cooper and Mr Barry Knight from the UK-based organisation CENTRIS. The entire text of this publication-study is available on the CD-ROM included with this issue, both in Croatian and English

THE management board and employees of the foundation in 2005

MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF THE FOUNDATION FOR CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT IN 2005:

- Dr. Katarina Kruhonja, Chairman of the Management Board (2003 -)
- Mirjana Krizmanić, PhD, Deputy Chairman of the Management Board (2003 -)
- Marija Pejčinović-Burić, MSc (2003 -)
- Goran Beus Richembergh (2003 -)
- Teodor Celakoski (2003 -)
- Vesna Zec (2003 -)
- Mladen Ivanović (2003 - 2005)
- Mirjana Polić-Bobić, PhD (2004 - 2005)
- Zrinka Kovačević, PhD (2005 -)
- Martina Dalić, MSc (2004 - 2005)
- Ante Žigman, MSc (2005 -)

EMPLOYEES OF THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION IN 2005:

GRANTS AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- Marija Boltek, grant programme manager and regional development coordinator
- Vjekoslav Vučković, grant programme monitoring officer
- Veornika Boričić, grant financial monitoring and evaluation officer
- Ana Žunić, regional development officer - Zadar
- Tatjana Ordanić, regional development officer - Osijek
- Ina Štander, regional development officer - Crikvenica
- Igor Lesar, associate for regional development, Regional Office in Čakovec

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME

- Nenad Vakanjac, international grant management officer

INFORMATION AND PUBLISHING

- Ruža Beljan, information and publication officer

GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND ACCOUNTING TASKS

- Marijanka Zagorac, accountant
- Renata Kubik, secretary

ANNEXES:

1. Revenue and expenses account for 2005
2. List of financed initiatives, projects, programmes and research

REVENUE AND EXPENSE ACCOUNT

FROM 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2005

REVENUE	27,142,298.00
1. Revenue from the State Budget for 2005 – Governmental Office for Cooperation with Non-governmental Organisations	1,644,500.00
2. Revenue from games of chance	22,804,227.98
3. International agreements – CARDS 2002	1,031,064.19
4. Revenue from activities	31,223.00
5. Partner projects. DFID and C.S. Mott Foundation	637,513.82
6. Revenue from interest rates	993,769.09
EXPENSES	27,142,298.08
1. OPERATING EXPENSES	3,496,491.67
1.1 EMPLOYEE EXPENSES (13 EMPLOYEES)*	1,834,215.90
Net salaries for regular work	985,490.86
Contributions for health insurance, Pension plans I and II, tax, surtax	759,131.26
Contributions for employment	25,628.55
Transportation expenses to and from work	38,965.23
Other employee-related expenses	25,000.00
1.2 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES*	1,147,626.07
Business trips	56,384.73
In-service training of employees	49,556.90
Expert literature and handbooks	26,233.23
Consumables, ongoing maintenance, etc.	199,194.50
Electricity consumption	27,754.97
Utilities	18,391.83
Expenses for office supplies	7,277.48
Transportation services	16,942.71
Telephone and postage services for 5 offices (Zagreb, Crikvenica, Čakovec until June 2005, Osijek, Zadar)	157,196.52
Ongoing maintenance services for 5 offices	130,964.05
Leasing of business premises for 5 offices (Zagreb, Crikvenica, Čakovec, Osijek, Zadar)	394,278.74
Student services	5,460.52
Temporary employment contracts – external associates	9,630.89
Intellectual and personal services	21,439.52
Property insurance premiums	1,150.49
Banking and money transfer services	14,104.45
Representation expenses	11,381.94
Currency exchange losses	282.60

* Operating and activity expenses of the Foundation financed through cooperation with the C.S. Mott Foundation

1.3 EXPENSES FOR EQUIPMENT FOR 5 OFFICES **	409,922.92
Office equipment and furniture	22,667.97
Computers	64,508.42
Recording and copying equipment	20,023.05
Computer software	288,229.88
Licenses	14,493.60
1.4 EXPENSES RELATED TO EXPERT BODIES AND THE MANAGEMENT BOARD	104,726.78
Expenses related to attendance of Management Board sessions	11,907.93
Compensations to members of expert bodies and commissions (Programmes Committee, Council for Strategic Investments, Advisory Board for Decentralisation and Regional Development)	92,818.85
2 PROGRAMMES AND TRANSFERS	17,881,119.18
2.1 CROSS-SECTORAL COOPERATION	2,204,898.54
Furbishing of the European Centre for Cross-Sectoral Cooperation -Zadar*	352,681.16
Translation and printing of the book "Guide to EU Funding"	51,939.60
Cooperation with RIF: printing of the manual "Business Operations of Associations"	40,000.00
Transfers to associations: PA-2 "Better Together" (23 projects)	1,760,277.78
2.2 DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES	941,790.98
Transfers to associations: PA-1 "Our Contribution to the Community" (69 town initiatives)	941,790.98
2.3 DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP	218,660.00
Transfers to associations: PA-3 "From idea to development" (5 projects)	218,660.00
2.4 EDUCATION, COMMUNICATION AND EVALUATION	988,031.32
Magazine "Civilsociety.hr", leaflets, brochures, books	374,226.50
Advertising services	22,974.78
Publishing of calls for tenders in the press	54,582.93
ECAS - co-financing of Programme of Education and Training about the EU for associations	472,471.36
Consulting services for communication consulting	12,475.00
Evaluation of financed projects/programmes /initiatives /institutional grants of associations	51,300.75
2.5 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND THE EU	445,301.35
Linking programmes, transfer of knowledge, networking (promo-mat, business trips and the similar)	89,929.48
Translation and transcription services	39,591.30
Membership fees	16,550.70
Contracts on the provision of services for the implementation of CARDS 2002 programme	106,331.92
Transfers to associations: PA-5 "Co-financing of participation in international conferences (34 grants)	192,897.95

** Operating and activity expenses of the Foundation financed through cooperation with the C.S. Mott Foundation

2.6 CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT – TRANSFERS TO ASSOCIATIONS	12,709,335.99
PA-4 Projects “Democratisation and civil society development” (39 projects)	1,905,613.70
PA-4 Programs “Democratisation and civil society development” (13 programmes)	981,610.22
PA-6 “Institutional grants” - 2004 tender (30 grants)	5,477,755.66
PA-6 “Institutional grants” - 2005 tender (30 grants)	2,557,460.41
PA-7 Programme -linking of associations on the subject of the EU (6 programmes)	1,786,896.00
2.7 RESEARCH	205,077.00
Transfers to associations for research (2 projects and partially for 6 projects)	205,077.00
2.8 ASSUMED LIABILITIES OF MULTI-ANNUAL FINANCING	168,024.00
Liabilities of the Office for NGOs – part of support for 5 programmes	168,024.00
3 ORGANISATION OF SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES	358,019.68
The 2 nd National Conference on Volunteering – Trogir, participation in the celebration of Europe Day in Split, celebration of the International Volunteer Day	358,019.68
INCREASE OF THE FOUNDATION’S ASSETS	5,406,667.55

OVERVIEW OF CIVIL INITIATIVES AND PROJECTS OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS APPROVED IN THE TENDERS OF THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION IN 2005

A) "OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY" civil initiatives (PA-1)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	TITLE OF INITIATIVE	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
CENTRAL CROATIA			
1 Udruga "Živim u Trnskom", za poboljšanje kvalitete življenja stanovnika Trnskog	Zagreb	Winter in Trnsko	4,700.00
2 Kulturno-umjetničko društvo "Sunjanka"	Sunja	Weaving school "From flax to linen"	15,000.00
3 "Lovačko Društvo "Naretak"	Hrvatska Kostajnica	Cleaning of a brook in the territory of the Town of Hrvatska Kostajnica	15,000.00
4 Udruga za nezavisnu medijsku kulturu	Zagreb	Initiative for the launching of the online portal H-Alter	6,000.00
5 Društvo multiple skleroze Varaždinske županije	Varaždin	We can do it all	6,100.00
6 Mammae klub Varaždin - udruga žena oboljelih na dojku	Varaždin	Through education to health	15,000.00
7 Međunarodno društvo za spriječavanje okrutnosti nad životinjama i biljkama - PCAP International	Karlovac	Mobilisation of citizens for landscaping	15,000.00
8 Udruga Zora	Čakovec	Women's rights are human rights!	10,142.00
9 Društvo nezaposlenih Sisačko – moslavačke županije	Sisak	The unemployed in action	11,000.00
10 O.M.G. Otvorena medijska grupacija	Zagreb	A garden of blue roses – showing of a film on volunteerism and rights of children	15,000.00

11	Klub žena - Dvor	Dvor	Computer literacy in the municipality of Dvor	12,201.00
12	Udruga "Za zdravo i sretno djetinjstvo"	Bjelovar	AGORA events in Bjelovar and Varaždin in 2006	15,000.00
13	Udruga za pomoć osobama s mentalnom retardacijom u Međimurskoj županiji	Čakovec	Arrangement of a country house	12,500.00
14	Zagrebačko dijabetičko društvo	Zagreb	1 st meeting of young diabetics	12,555.00
15	Hrvatski crveni križ - gradsko društvo crvenog križa Križevci	Križevci	Prevention and suppression of addiction in young people	13,000.00
16	Građanska udruga "Protiv nasilja"	Sisak	Rule of law	15,000.00
17	Grupa sredozemna medvjedica "Udruga za istraživanje i zaštitu prirode"	Zagreb	Education of citizens on the preservation of the deep sea	15,000.00
18	Hrabri telefon - telefon za zlostavljanu i zanemarenu djecu	Zagreb	Stimulation of volunteer work for the development of the local community	15,000.00
19	Udruga za unapređenje društvenog zdravlja i kvalitete života duševnog bolesnika i njegove obitelji "Sretna obitelj"	Popovača	Let's accept differences, discard prejudices – how to live with mental diseases	13,700.00
20	Kajak kanu klub "Hrvatska Kostajnica"	Hrvatska Kostajnica	Protection and preservation of the River Una	15,000.00
21	Knjižnica i čitaonica Vojnić	Vojnić	Support for cultural and educational programmes in Vojnić	15,000.00
22	Dječji vrtić "Smjehuljica"	Ludbreg	Initiators of parenthood	14,500.00
23	Udruga za pomoć djeci i mladeži "Prijatelj"	Koprivnica	Little creative workshops centres	14,600.00
24	Udruga "Izvor", Hrvatski Čuntić	Jabukovac	Decoration of community	14,740.00
25	Hrvatska udruga za oboljele od HIV-a HUHIV	Zagreb	Let's raise awareness together	15,000.00
26	"Iskra" - Centar za edukaciju i savjetovanje	Zagreb	Volunteer action of tidying up a cemetery in Brotnje	15,000.00
27	Izviđačka škola	Zagreb	Scouts in Dugo Selo	15,000.00
28	Udruga za kreativni socijalni rad	Zagreb	The beauty of life lies in life without alcohol and drugs	14,918.00
29	Udruga gluhih i nagluhih Grada Varaždina i Varaždinske županije	Varaždin	Support to the deaf and hard of hearing	15,000.00

30	Akcija za civilnu transparentnost	Čakovec	“One” – the first issue of a youth magazine	14,980.00
31	Udruga Hrvatskih dragovoljaca domovinskog rata, Temeljni ogranak Selište Kostajničko	Hrvatska Kostajnica	Cleaning of the brook Vodice	15,000.00
32	Centar za nehumanističke studije	Karlovac	ABC (Anti-Bullying Campaign) – Against peer abuse	15,000.00
33	Udruga mladih “Novi svijet” Luščani	Jabukovac	Assistance to elderly returnees in rural communities	15,000.00
34	Dom kulture Grada Preloga	Prelog	Information for all	15,000.00
35	Udruga UZOR – Žumberak, (Udruga za obnovu regije Žumberak)	Kostanjevac	For computer literacy in the Croatian rural areas of Žumberak	15,000.00
36	Društvo distrofičara, invalida cerebralne i dječje paralize i tjelesnih invalida Krapinsko-zagorske županije	Krapina	Friendship	15,000.00
37	Ekološko društvo PAN - Karlovac	Karlovac	BIBLIO PAN	15,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED INITIATIVES				37
TOTAL FOR CENTRAL CROATIA				KN 505,636.00

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38	Mirovna grupa mladih “Dunav”	Vukovar	Be active, be a volunteer	12,300.00
39	Udruga za brigu o osobama treće životne dobi	Osijek	Old age – the age of wisdom	9,300.00
40	Slatinski likovni klub	Slatina	Art workshop for the younga	11,000.00
41	Udruženje mladih “UM” Uglješ	Darda	Resist temptation!	14,400.00
42	“RUBINA” udruga za očuvanje i promicanje narodne baštine”	Osijek	Programme of connections	13,480.00
43	Europski dom Vukovar	Vukovar	Mosaic of love	15,000.00
44	Mirovna grupa OAZA	Beli Manastir	Tribune “Braća Kašanin”	15,000.00
45	Udruga žena Vukovar	Vukovar	Women’s council in Slavonia	13,600.00
46	Udruga mladeži “Zamjenite nam tugu osmjehom”	Karanac	Karanac – a green oasis	15,000.00
47	“Mi-Udruga roditelja djece s posebnim potrebama”	Požega	Kroz igru zajedno	5,000.00
48	Udruga žena Dalj	Dalj	The banks of the Danube are a promenade	15,000.00

49	Udruga invalida rada Požega	Požega	<i>Through prevention to health and promotion of the quality of life of disabled persons</i>	14,849.98
50	Udruga za promicanje inicijative mladih "ROCK KLUB" Osijek	Osijek	<i>With music through the wall</i>	15,000.00
51	GORD-Građanska organizacija razvoja Dalj	Dalj	<i>Fashion show in Dalj</i>	15,000.00
52	Udruga koordinacije nacionalnih manjina Vukovarsko-srijemske županije	Vukovar	<i>Life without drugs</i>	15,000.00
53	Udruga gluhih i nagluhih Osiječko-baranjske županije	Osijek	<i>The deaf in the community</i>	15,000.00
54	Likovna udruga Multi-art	Slatina	<i>The bride of Drava fishermen</i>	5,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED INITIATIVES:				17
TOTAL FOR SLAVONIA AND BARANJA:				KN 218,929.98

DALMATIA

55	"Plavi val", Udruga za zaštitu potrošača Šibensko -kninske županije	Šibenik	<i>Ecological initiative for Duboka cove</i>	10,000.00
56	Udruga roditelja za djecu najteže tjelesne invalide i djecu s posebnim potrebama ANĐELI	Split	<i>Gift from the heart</i>	13,300.00
57	Likovna udruga Knin	Knin	<i>A dangerous game</i>	14,750.00
58	Udruga za prirodu, okoliš i održivi razvoj "Sunce"	Split	<i>The green patrol from Marjan</i>	14,850.00
59	ANST-1700	Split	<i>Employment of addicts – abstainers</i>	15,000.00
60	Centar za razvoj demokracije – CERD	Split	<i>Let us respect human rights of others in order to protect our own</i>	15,000.00
61	Udruga djece oboljele od dijabetesa i njihovih roditelja "Slatki život"	Dubrovnik	<i>Prevention and protection against diabetes</i>	15,000.00
62	Udruga obnovitelja Gornji Karin	Karin	<i>Improvement of work of the local council for the development of Karin</i>	15,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED INITIATIVES				8
TOTAL FOR DALMATIA				KN 112,900.00

ISTRIA AND THE REGION OF RIJEKA

63	Udruga za zaštitu životinja "Snoopy"	Pula	Rules of behaviour for humans and animals	15,000.00
64	Udruga Suncokret Pula	Pula	Bridge	15,000.00
65	Udruga za kreativno osmišljavanje slobodnog vremena mladih "Eko art-bio art"	Lokve	Souvenirs "Life in a pond"	14,950.00
66	ACET Republika Hrvatska	Rovinj	AIDS and relations	14,375.00
67	Turistička zajednica Općine Vinodolske	Bribir	Designation of cultural and historical monuments in Vinodol using tourist-information boards and the setting up of maps with captions of the old towns of Drvenik and Bribir	15,000.00
68	Društvo "Naša djeca" Pazin	Pazin	More cheerful together	15,000.00
69	Egzodus	Rijeka	Help in dealing with addiction for addicts and families of addicts	15,000.00
70	Udruga za promicanje kreativnosti – Merlin	Pula	Weaving workshop	15,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED INITIATIVES				8
TOTAL FOR ISTRIA AND THE REGION OF RIJEKA				KN 119,325.00

A)

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED INITIATIVES UNDER "OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY"	70
TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS	KN 956,790.98

B) "BETTER TOGETHER", projects (PA-2)

	NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	TITLE OF INITIATIVE	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
CENTRAL CROATIA				
1	Udruga informatičara Sabirnica	Zagreb	Development of rural tourism	50,000.00
2	Hrvatski savez dijabetičkih udruga	Zagreb	Training of medical staff in primary health care for the education of persons with diabetes in diabetic associations	64,200.00
3	Ekološko društvo Pan-Karlovac	Karlovac	Ecological workshops in primary schools	65,000.00
4	Ženska grupa Vojnić	Vojnić	Children's playhouse, preparation for school and help in learning	80,000.00

5	Grupa za ženska ljudska prava B.a.B.e (Budi aktivna. Budi emancipirana)	Zagreb	Initiative for the establishment of a system for access to information and more civil participation at the level of the Municipal Council of Srb (municipality Gračac)	89,670.00
6	EKOTURISTIKO	Prigorje Brdovečko	Promotion and development of cyclic and recreational tourism of the Prigorje region and of neighbouring municipalities Pušće, Marija Gorica and the town of Zaprešić	90,000.00
7	Udruga "Akcija za civilnu transparentnost" - ACT	Čakovec	1+1=0 Educational programme on addiction in primary schools and preschool institutions of the County of Međimurje	91,640.00
8	Društvo za kulturu i suživot s prirodom KNEJA	Čakovec	The future is knocking at the village door	99,772.06
9	Forum za slobodu odgoja	Zagreb	School as a local community – Open school	99,800.00
10	Udruga za pomoć osobama s mentalnom retardacijom međimurske županije	Čakovec	Prevention of the institutionalisation of adults with intellectual disabilities	99,800.00
11	MREŽA - udruga za promicanje zapošljavanja	Zagreb	ECDL for unemployed women above 40 years of age in the County of Zagreb	99,890.00
12	Društvo za psihološku pomoć	Zagreb	Psycho-sociological treatment of perpetrators of family violence and psychological support to other members of the family	99,999.00
13	Hrvatski Crveni križ, Općinsko društvo Crvenog križa Vojnić	Vojnić	Assistance at home	100,000.00

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:

13

TOTAL FOR CENTRAL CROATIA:

KN 1,129,771.06

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14	Ženska udruga "IZVOR"	Tenja	Care for the elderly	95,411.00
15	Organizacija za građanske inicijative – OGI	Osijek	Town of Slatina – a step forward	99,600.00
16	Agencija lokalne demokracije	Osijek	Tourism adjusted to my local community – municipality of Erdut	98,650.00

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:

3

TOTAL FOR SLAVONIA AND BARANJA

KN 293,661.00

DALMATIA

17 Društvo distrofičara, invalida cerebralne paralize i ostalih tjelesnih invalida Dubrovačko-neretvanske županije	Dubrovnik	Better socialisation and quality of life of disabled persons in the local community and in the family	85,236.50
18 Liga za borbu protiv narkomanije	Split	ODRAZ	99,800.00
19 Udruga "Split, zdravi grad"	Split	"Zdravo, Split" gazette	100,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:			3
TOTAL FOR DALMATIA			KN 285,036.50

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20 Dijabetička udruga Istarske županije Pula	Pula	Education of diabetics in order to prevent complications	66,600.00
21 Udruga umirovljenika i starijih osoba Kastav	Kastav	Improving the quality of life and protection of health	98,770.00
22 Udruga za terapijsko jahanje "Pegaz" Rijeka	Rijeka	Pegasus makes me stronger	100,000.00
23 Udruga Zelena Istra	Pula	Participatory model of management of protected parts of nature: Realisation of a didactic path of natural and cultural and historical values of a beautiful landscape "Donji Kamenjak and the archipelago of Medulin"	68,020.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:			4
TOTAL FOR ISTRIA AND THE REGION OF RIJEKA			KN 333,390.00

B)

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS IN "BETTER TOGETHER"	23
TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS	KN 2,041,858.56

C) "DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT" projects (PA-4)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	TITLE OF INITIATIVE	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
CENTRAL CROATIA			
1 Udruga za samozastupanje	Zagreb	What I am – becoming familiar with civil rights	32,085.82

2	O.M.G. - Otvorena medijska grupacija	Zagreb	<i>Tree stump full of lead</i>	40,000.00
3	ODRAZ - Održivi razvoj zajednice	Zagreb	<i>What can we do together for the development of our homeland?</i>	42,800.00
4	Katolička udruga "Kap dobrote"	Zagreb	<i>Development of volunteerism and humanitarianism</i>	60,000.00
5	Ženska grupa Karlovac "Korak"	Karlovac	<i>Gender equality in the County of Karlovac</i>	64,787.76
6	Ekološko društvo Pan	Karlovac	<i>Recycle, reduce, protect – make greener</i>	68,000.00
7	Suncokret - OLJIN "Odgoj za ljubav i nenasilje"	Zagreb	<i>"My rights – respect for others, my responsibility" (project for the education of children and adults on the rights of children)</i>	68,920.00
8	Volonterski centar Zagreb	Zagreb	<i>Publication "Ten years of work of the Zagreb Volunteer Centre"</i>	75,000.00
9	IRO - Institut za razvoj obrazovanja	Zagreb	<i>Strengthening of human rights to education in the Croatian higher education system aimed at involving Croatia in the Europe of knowledge: Week of Right to Education</i>	79,711.00
10	Ars publica	Zagreb	<i>Alternative dispute resolution and inclusion of civil society in decision-making processes</i>	79,980.00
11	DEBRA – Hrvatsko društvo za buloznu epidermolizu	Zagreb	<i>Debra Centre – Volunteers</i>	80,000.00
12	DIM – Demokratska inicijativa mladih	Zagreb	<i>Impact analysis and development of public policy towards young people in RC</i>	80,000.00
13	Hrabri telefon - telefon za zlostavljenu i zanemarenu djecu	Zagreb	<i>Development of volunteer work: advancement of civil society</i>	80,000.00
14	Hrvatski savez udruga za osobe s mentalnom retardacijom	Zagreb	<i>Get to know us, we are a part of you!</i>	80,000.00
15	INTERKULTURA - Interkulturalni centar	Zagreb	<i>Multicultural features and values of our surroundings</i>	80,000.00
16	Udruga za demokratsko društvo - UDD	Zagreb	<i>No to corruption</i>	140,000.00
17	Hrvatski savez udruga tjelesnih invalida	Zagreb	<i>All-Croatian campaign to warn about parking spaces for the disabled</i>	141,384.23

18	Udruga roditelja “Korak po korak” za promicanje kvalitete življenja djece i obitelji	Zagreb	School open to parents	147,040.00
19	Međunarodno društvo za spriječavanje okrutnosti na životinjama i biljkama - PCAP International	Karlovac	Partnership for the environment	148,340.00
20	Mreža mladih Hrvatske - MMH	Zagreb	County Youth Councils in Northern Croatia	149,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:				20
TOTAL FOR CENTRAL CROATIA				KN 1,737,048.81

SLAVONIA AND BARANJA

21	Centar za podršku i razvoj civilnog društva “Delfin”	Pakrac	Affirmation of ethnical identity through the affirmation of minority rights	79,240.00
22	“Mi” - Udruga roditelja djece s posebnim potrebama	Požega	School without violence	34,200.00
23	Društvo osoba s invaliditetom “Podunavlje”	Vukovar	E-city of Vukovar	150,000.00
24	Centar za društveni razvoj - Podunavlje	Darda	Guide through local self-government and civil society organisations in Baranja	69,900.00
25	GORD - Građanska organizacija Dalj razvoja Dalj		SOS phone – education of volunteers	80,000.00
26	Ženska udruga “IZVOR”	Tenja	Gender equality and women’s rights	77,539.60
27	Organizacija za građanske inicijative – OGI	Osijek	Local association support centres	149,600.00
28	S.O.S.telefon - POZIV U POMOĆ	Virovitica	Days of the associations of the County of Virovitica-Podravina	58,460.00
29	Mirovna grupa OAZA	Beli Manastir	Days of the associations of Baranja	55,730.00
30	Informativni pravni centar – IPC	Slavonski Brod	Informing refugees, returnees and socially endangered categories of local inhabitants in the territory of the County of Brod-Posavina and west Slavonia about their rights	80,000.00
31	Zajedničko vijeće općina	Vukovar	Informing citizens about their rights	80,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:				11
TOTAL FOR SLAVONIA AND BARANJA				KN 914,669.60

DALMATIA

32	Liga za borbu protiv narkomanije	Split	RASTEMO – Development of a counselling centre – model	64,950.00
33	Udruga za razvoj civilnog društva i promicanje ženskih prava DOMINE	Split	Women’s initiative	73,800.00
34	Institut za tranzicijska istraživanja i nacionalnu edukaciju (Institut STINE)	Split	Strengthening public awareness of the importance of successful return as a factor in the stabilisation and development of local communities	80,000.00
35	Udruga za prirodu, okoliš i održivi razvoj “Sunce”	Split	A national platform of associations for monitoring European integrations in the area of nature preservation and environmental protection	145,250.00
36	Centar za razvoj demokracije CERD	Split	Monitoring of criminal proceedings for war crimes	150,000.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:				5
TOTAL FOR DALMATIA				KN 514,000.00

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37	Udruga “Pacijent danas”	Rijeka	Municipal Council - “Info centre” – for the promotion of rights of patients	80,000.00
38	Kulturno-umjetnička udruga “Labin Art Express”	Labin	Improvement of social and political engagement of the local community through programmes of the Cultural Centre “Lamparna”	80,000.00
39	Drugo more	Rijeka	Molecule	78,500.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS:				3
TOTAL FOR ISTRIA AND THE REGION OF RIJEKA				KN 238,500.00

c)

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROJECTS IN THE “DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT” – PROJECTS	39
TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS	KN 3,404,218.41

OVERVIEW OF INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE STABILISATION AND/OR DEVELOPMENT OF ASSOCIATIONS APPROVED IN THE TENDERS OF THE FOUNDATION IN 2005

D 1) INSTITUTIONAL GRANT UP TO HRK 50,000.00 (PA-6)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
1 Lokalna baza za osvježavanje kulture – BLOK	Zagreb	50,000.00
2 Udruga "IGRA" za pružanje rehabilitacijsko-edukacijske i psihosocijalno-pedagoške pomoći"	Zagreb	50,000.00
3 Volonterski centar Zagreb	Zagreb	49,992.00
4 Grupa Ruta Cres	Cres	50,000.00
5 Udruga roditelja "Korak po korak" za promicanje kvalitete življenja djece i obitelji"	Zagreb	50,000.00
6 S.O.S. telefon - POZIV U POMOĆ	Virovitica	50,000.00
7 Udruga "Akcija za civilnu transparentnost" - ACT	Čakovec	50,000.00
8 Ekološko društvo Žmergo	Opatija	50,000.00
9 POTROŠAČ - Hrvatski savez udruga za zaštitu potrošača	Zagreb	47,000.00
10 Hrvatska udruga za promicanje prava pacijenata	Split	50,000.00
1) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS		10
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS		KN 496,992.00

D 2) INSTITUTIONAL GRANT UP TO HRK 150,000.00 (PA-6)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
1 Forum za slobodu odgoja	Zagreb	150,000.00
2 Fantastično dobra institucija - FADE IN	Zagreb	150,000.00
3 Udruga Drugo more	Rijeka	150,000.00
4 Organizacija za građanske inicijative – OGI	Osijek	80,370.00
5 Udruga za prirodu, okoliš i održivi razvoj "Sunce"	Split	148,900.00
6 Partnerstvo za društveni razvoj	Zagreb	124,807.00
7 Ženska grupa "Korak"	Karlovac	150,000.00
8 CERANEO - Centar za razvoj neprofitnih organizacija	Zagreb	150,000.00

9 GORD - Građanska organizacija razvoja Dalj	Dalj	150,000.00
10 Hrvatska udruga prijatelja hospicija	Zagreb	135,858.54
2) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS		10
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS		KN 1,389,935.54

D 3) INSTITUTIONAL GRANT UP TO HRK 350,000.00 (PA-6)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
1 Hrvatski helsinški odbor za ljudska prava	Zagreb	350,000.00
2 Grupa za ženska ljudska prava B.a.B.e (Budi aktivna. Budi emancipirana)	Zagreb	251,184.00
3 Hrvatski pravni centar	Zagreb	350,000.00
4 GONG	Zagreb	350,000.00
5 Transparency International Hrvatska	Zagreb	349,205.28
6 ZaMirNET	Zagreb	264,736.00
7 IRO - Institut za razvoj obrazovanja	Zagreb	270,000.00
8 Centar za mirovne studije	Zagreb	343,600.00
9 BIOPA - Udruga za organsko-biološku proizvodnju	Osijek	349,268.00
10 SMART - Udruga za razvoj civilnog društva	Rijeka	350,000.00
3) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS		10
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS		KN 3,227,993.28

D)

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS D1+D2+D3	30
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS D1+D2+D3	5,114,920.82

OVERALL AMOUNT OF GRANTS A+B+C+D IN HRK	11,517,788.77
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OVERVIEW OF APPROVED GRANTS FOR PARTICIPATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ASSOCIATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS ABROAD (PP5-A) IN 2005

NAME OF ORGANISATION	SEAT	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)	TITLE OF GATHERING (COUNTRY WHERE IT TOOK PLACE)
1 Udruga poslovnih savjetnika	Zagreb	4,359.80	International Council of Management Consulting Institutes EUROHUB Meeting (Denmark)
2 Platforma 9.81	Zagreb	6,397.30	Bridge, River and the Dead Zone (Cyprus)
3 Hrvatski savez gluhih i nagluhih	Zagreb	13,300.00	United in Diversity (against Discrimination)/ General Assembly of the European Union of the Deaf 2005 (Luxembourg)
4 Udruga za promicanje inkluzije	Zagreb	3,526.82	Europe in Action 2005: Ka Towards living in the Community (Czech Republic)
5 Odraz	Zagreb	3,578.00	The Fourth IIIIEE Network Conference-Sustainable production and consumption (Sweden)
6 Hrvatska udruga liječenih i oboljelih od hepatitisa "Hepatos"	Split	2,890.13	Second European Congress of Liver Patients: Liver affection – a global challenge (Romania)
7 Društvo hrvatskih haiku pjesnika	Zagreb	5,944.80	World Haiku Festival Constantza 2005 (Romania)
8 Ženska akcija Rijeka	Rijeka	1,800.00	Democracy and Human Rights in Multiethnic Societies (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

9	Udruga za inicijative u socijalnoj politici	Zagreb	12,397.95	To Honour the Child - 14 th Biennial Conference (USA)
10	Hrvatski centar za dramski odgoj	Zagreb	7,000.00	Executive Committee and General Committee Meetings of International Drama/Theatre and Education Association (Peru)
11	Hrvatska udruga gluhoslijepih osoba "Dodir"	Zagreb	8,333.33	6 th European Conference on Deafblindness – How to Make the Invisible Visible (Slovakia)
12	Hrvatska glazbena mladež	Zagreb	8,808.00	Congress and Annual General Assembly of "Jeunesses Musicales" (Indonesia)
13	Nacionalni savez mladih Hrvatske	Zagreb	11,745.30	Second Annual Youth Assembly at the United Nations (USA)
14	Grupa za ženska ljudska prava B.a.B.e.	Zagreb	9,145.24	Our Challenge: Voices for Peace, Partnership and Renewal - 58 th DPI/NGO Conference (USA)
15	Ars publica	Zagreb	3,793.00	Meeting the challenges of introducing victim-offender mediation in CEE (Bulgaria)
16	Forum za slobodu odgoja	Zagreb	1,770.05	Critical Thinking in Higher Education as a Framework and Philosophical Approach (Russia)
17	Interkultura-Interkulturni centar	Zagreb	5,082.26	European Culture-Europe: Encounters and Frontiers (Spain)
18	Županijska liga protiv raka – Split	Split	4,000.00	7 th Europa Donna Pan-European Conference: European Breast Cancer Advocacy – Joining voices meeting needs (Italy)
19	Klub žena liječenih na dojci – Split	Split	2,000.00	7 th Europa Donna Pan-European Conference: European Breast Cancer Advocacy – Joining voices meeting needs (Italy)

20	Srpski demokratski forum	Zagreb	2,521.18	OSCE – Human Dimensions Impelmentation Meeting (Poland)
21	Hrvatski savez udruga tjelesnih invalida	Zagreb	4,500.00	13 th Congress of European Union for School and University Health and Medicine (Croatia)
22	ZaMirNET	Zagreb	5,263.30	Association for Progressive Communication Face-to-Face Council Meeting 2005 (Bulgaria)
23	Ženska infoteka	Zagreb	3,200.00	10 th AVID International Forum on Women’s Rights and Development – How does change happen? (Thailand)
24	Hrvatski savez dijabetičkih udruga	Zagreb	3,500.00	General Assembly of IDF Europe / Toghether We are Stronger Meeting 2005
25	Udruga roditelja “Korak po korak”	Zagreb	5,894.50	7 th Annual ISSA Conference – Developing strong early education NGOs and professional networks
26	Europa Donna	Zagreb	7,525.00	28 th Annual San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium
27	Hrvatski ferijalni i hostelski savez	Zagreb	3,900.00	16 th European Regional Youth Hostel Conference & EUFED General Assembly
28	Europski dom Dubrovnik	Dubrovnik	4,100.00	Enlivening Democracy – Building pluralism from the bottom
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED GRANTS				28
TOTAL AMOUNT OF APPROVED FUNDS				156,275.96

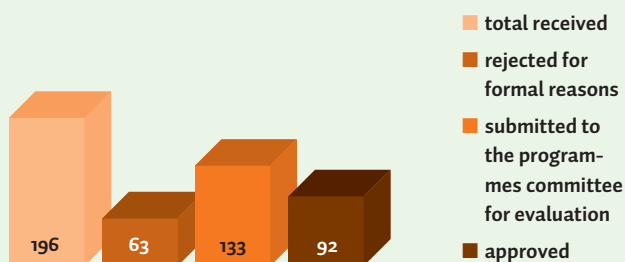
OVERVIEW OF APPROVED GRANTS FOR PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN EXPERTS AT EVENTS ORGANISED BY ASSOCIATIONS IN CROATIA (PP5-B) IN 2005

NAME OF ORGANISATION SEAT	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)	NAME OF EXPERT (COUNTRY) TITLE OF EVENT
1. Društvo za unapređenje kvalitete življenja Zagreb	18,000.00	Jeffrey M. Smith (USA) – “The Public has the Right to Know” – marking the Day without GMO”
2. Udruga UKE-Urbana kultura i edukacija Križevci	950.00	Francisco Antunes Caminati (Brazil) “Experimental electronic interventions in the interior”
3. Udruga za unapređenje duševnog zdravlja i kvalitete života duševnog bolesnika i njegove obitelji “Sretna obitelj” Popovača	4,000.00	Mark Agius (Great Britain) “Let us Accept the Difference – Reject Prejudice” and “Presentation of a Psycho-educational Library”
4. Ženska soba-Centar za prevenciju, istraživanje i suzbijanje seksualnog nasilja i žensku seksualnost Zagreb	3,457.00	Patrick Calafia (USA) Conference on Gender Transgression – Gender Equality Means More than Binarity”
5. Hrvatsko politološko društvo Zagreb	4,060.00	Lidija Zelović (the Netherlands) – “Ninth International Student Voice Conference – Media as Entertainment Industry”
6. Društvo arhitekata Zagreba Zagreb	6,145.99	Emilio Caravatti (Italy) Man is Space: “A Different Kind of Architecture”
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED GRANTS		6
TOTAL AMOUNT OF APPROVED FUNDS		36,612.99

ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED AND APPROVED GRANTS IN 2005

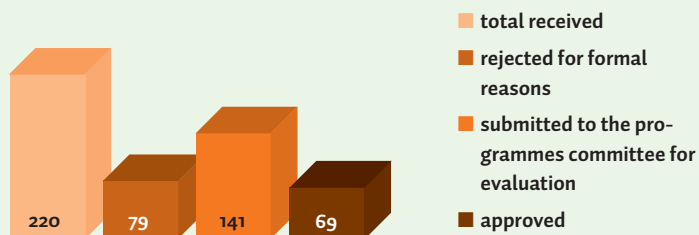
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PROGRAMMES COMMITTEE	CENTRAL CROATIA	OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY (PA-1)	58	4	54	37
		BETTER TOGETHER (PA-2)	34	21	13	13
		TOTAL (PA-1+PA-2)	92	25	67	50
	SLAVONIA AND BARANJA	OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY (PA-1)	30	7	23	16
		BETTER TOGETHER (PA-2)	13	10	3	3
		TOTAL (PA-1+PA-2)	43	17	26	19
	ISTRIA AND THE REGION OF RIJEKA	OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY (PA-1)	21	2	19	8
		BETTER TOGETHER (PA-2)	19	15	4	4
		TOTAL (PA-1+PA-2)	40	17	23	12
	DALMATIA	OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY (PA-1)	14	0	14	8
		BETTER TOGETHER (PA-2)	7	4	3	3
		TOTAL (PA-1+PA-2)	21	4	17	11
	TOTAL (PP-1+PP-2)		196	63	133	92

Received and approved (PA-1+PA-2)



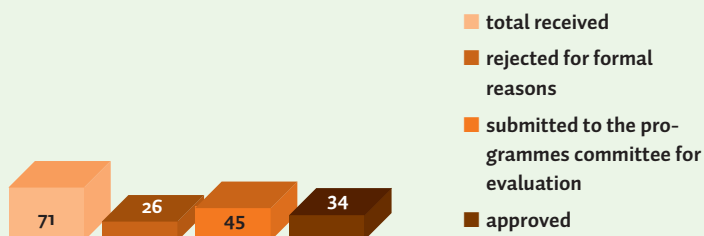
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REGION	PROGRAMME AREA				
CENTRAL CROATIA	DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT - PROJECTS (PA-4)	42	19	23	20
	INSTITUTIONAL GRANT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND STABILISATION OF ORGANISATIONS (PA-6)	89	24	65	20
	TOTAL (PP-4+PP-6)	131	43	88	40
SLAVONIA AND BARANJA	DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT - PROJECTS (PA-4)	14	1	13	11
	INSTITUTIONAL GRANT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND STABILISATION OF ORGANISATIONS (PA-6)	21	10	11	4
	TOTAL (PP-4+PP-6)	35	11	24	15
ISTRIA AND THE REGION OF RIJEKA	DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT - PROJECTS (PA-4)	13	6	7	3
	INSTITUTIONAL GRANT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND STABILISATION OF ORGANISATIONS (PA-6)	13	5	8	4
	TOTAL (PP-4+PP-6)	26	11	15	7
DALMATIA	DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT - PROJECTS (PA-4)	9	2	7	5
	INSTITUTIONAL GRANT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND STABILISATION OF ORGANISATIONS (PA-6)	19	12	7	2
	TOTAL (PP-4+PP-6)	28	14	14	7
TOTAL (PP-4 + PP-6)		220	79	141	69

Received and approved (PA-4+PA-6)



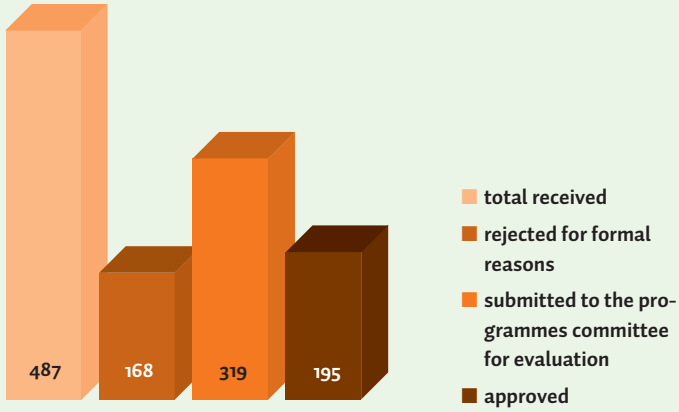
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REGION	PROGRAMME AREA					
EXPERT COMMISSION	CENTRAL CROATIA	PARTICIPATION AT INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS - (PA -5A)	48	21	27	23
		PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN EXPERTS IN RC (PA-5B)	6	0	6	6
		TOTAL (PP-5 A +PP-5 B)	54	21	33	29
	SLAVONIA AND BARANJA	PARTICIPATION AT INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS - (PA -5A)	2	1	1	0
		PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN EXPERTS IN RC (PA-5B)	0	0	0	0
		TOTAL (PP-5 A +PP-5 B)	2	1	1	0
	ISTRIA AND THE REGION OF RIJEKA	PARTICIPATION AT INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS - (PA -5A)	8	2	6	1
		PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN EXPERTS IN RC (PA-5B)	0	0	0	0
		TOTAL (PP-5 A +PP-5 B)	8	2	6	1
	DALMATIA	PARTICIPATION AT INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS - (PA -5A)	7	2	5	4
		PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN EXPERTS IN RC (PA-5B)	0	0	0	0
		TOTAL (PP-5 A +PP-5 B)	7	2	5	4
TOTAL (PP-5 A+PP-5 B)		71	26	45	34	

Received and approved (PA-5A+PA-5B)



	TOTAL RECEIVED	REJECTED FOR FORMAL REASONS	SUBMITTED FOR EVALUATION	APPROVED
TOTAL (PA-1+PA-2 + PA-4+PA-6+PA-5A+PA5B)	487	168	319	195

Received and approved



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OVERVIEW OF APPROVED GRANTS

GRANT BENEFICIARY	TITLE OF PROJECT	PLACE OF IMPLEMENTATION	DURATION OF PROJECT (MONTHS)	TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (EUR)	AMOUNT CO-FINANCED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION (EUR)
Centar tehničke kulture Rijeka, Rijeka	<i>The same for all</i>	Rijeka	12	94,813.77	68,133.18
Dom za ovisnike Zajednica "Susret", Split	<i>Assistance to addicts</i>	County of Istria	12	121,675.00	72,100.00
Grupa za ženska ljudska prava B.a.B.e., Zagreb	<i>Ensuring legal protection and protection of life of victims of family violence</i>	County of Vukovar-Srijem	12	77,960.00	67,965.53
Hrvatska udruga za školovanje pasa vodiča i mobilitet, Zagreb	<i>Orientation and mobility as a precondition for the social inclusion of the blind in the community</i>	County of Dubrovnik-Neretva and the City of Zagreb	10	56,987.55	50,271.11
Klub za starije osobe "Mariška", Koprivnica	<i>House assistance for the elderly</i>	County of Koprivnica-Križevci	12	92,737.00	55,694.00
Mirovna grupa Oaza, Bilje	<i>Free IT training and English course for the unemployed in Baranja</i>	County of Osijek-Baranja	12	44,514.00	36,964.62

Udruga MI, Split	<i>Living in your home – care for the elderly</i>	County of Split-Dalmatia	12	93,715.00	53,567.49
Udruga Mirta, Split	<i>Counselling centre and shelter for victims of family violence</i>	County of Split-Dalmatia	12	150,126.79	64,554.52
Udruga slijepih Koprivničko-križevačke županije, Koprivnica	<i>Library services for the blind and sight impaired</i>	County of Koprivnica-Križevci	12	76,154.88	68,264.78
Udruga za razvoj civilnog društva SMART, Rijeka	<i>Strengthening of local capacity in the City of Rijeka and the County of Primorje-Gorski Kotar</i>	City of Rijeka and the County of Primorje-Gorski Kotar	12	42,735.00	38,461.50

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED GRANTS

10

TOTAL APPROVED FUNDS IN EUR

575,976.73

OVERVIEW OF APPROVED GRANTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RESEARCH ON THE POSITION AND DEVELOPMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA IN 2005

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TITLE OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT/ PROJECT LEADER	APPROVED AMOUNT
CERANEO, Zagreb	Achievements, problems and vision of the development of foundations in Croatia, Prof. Gojko Bežovan, PhD	100,000.00 KN
Grupa za ženska ljudska prava, B.a.b.e. (Budi aktivna. Budi emancipirana)	Contribution of civil society organisations to the development of democratic processes in RC, Sanja Rarnavka and Suzana Kunac, MSc.	99,154.00 KN
TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED STUDIES		2
TOTAL		199,154.00 KN

OVERVIEW OF MULTI-ANNUAL/TRIANNUAL GRANTS (2004-2007)

DISBURSEMENTS IN 2005

A) DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT – programmes (PA-4)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	TITLE OF PROGRAMME	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
1 Centar za građanske inicijative Poreč	Poreč	Strengthening of cooperation between NGOs and the Council for Civil Society Development in Istria	80,000.00
2 Društvo nezaposlenih Zagreb	Zagreb	Training in communication skills for the unemployed	79,300.00
3 Fantastično dobra institucija – FADE IN	Zagreb	Civil society on the small screen	79,993.08
4 Hrvatska udruga za stručnu pomoć djeci s posebnim potrebama – IDEM	Zagreb	Information and educational programme – publishing of an expert magazine and constant updating of the website of the Idem association	67,190.19
5 Međunarodno društvo za sprječavanje okrutnosti nad životinjama i biljkama – PCAP International	Karlovac	Councils of citizens for sustainable development	75,200.00
6 ODRAZ-Održivi razvoj zajednice	Zagreb	Network for local development	79,900.00
7 Savez udruga KLUBTURA	Zagreb	Zero four/04	50,000.00
8 Udruga IGRA-za pružanje rehabilitacijsko-edukacijske i psiho-socijalno-pedagoške pomoći	Zagreb	MPPI – students who can do more – sub-programme for individual leaders – volunteers	80,000.00
9 Udruženje za razvoj kulture-URK	Zagreb	Zagreb human rights film festival	79,970.00
10 VIMIO-Vukovarski institut za mirovna istraživanja i obrazovanje	Vukovar	Development of social competence in children: “box full of feelings” and “house full of feelings and relationships”	80,000.00
11 Zajednica saveza osoba s invaliditetom Hrvatske-SOIH	Zagreb	Encouraging disabled young people to assume a bigger role in the community	80,000.00
12 ZaMirNET	Zagreb	MINT – youth and new technologies – road towards the information society	80,000.00

13	Ženska grupa Karlovac-Korak	Karlovac	Promotion and protection of women's and children's human rights in the territory of the County of Karlovac	80,000.00
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A)

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED PROGRAMMES

“DEMOCRATISATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT” – PROGRAMMES **13**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS **KN 991,553.27**

B 1) INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS UP TO HRK 50,000.00 (PA-6)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
1 Udruga ŠTO, KAKO I ZA KOGA	Zagreb	50,000.00
2 Udruga za pomoć osobama s mentalnom retardacijom Međimurske županije	Čakovec	50,000.00
3 Društvo ‘Naša djeca’ Opatija	Opatija	50,000.00
4 Društvo roditelja, liječnika i ostalih zdravstvenih djelatnika za pomoć djeci i adoloescentima oboljelih od šećerne bolesti ‘Veliki za male sa šećernom bolešću’	Zagreb	50,000.00
5 Ženska mreža Hrvatske	Poreč	50,000.00
6 Udruga Poticaj, udruga za poticanje kvalitetnog razvoja djece i mladeži	Zagreb	50,000.00
7 Mirovna grupa Oaza	Beli Manastir	50,000.00
8 METAMEDIJ - udruga za razvoj audio vizualne umjetnosti	Pula	50,000.00
9 Ekološko društvo ZELENI OSIJEK	Osijek	50,000.00
10 Ženska udruga ‘IZVOR’	Tenja	50,000.00
1) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS		10
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS		KN 500,000.00

B 2) INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS UP TO HRK 150,000.00 (PA- 6)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
1 Udruga Zelena Istra - Associazione Istria Verde	Pula	150,000.00
2 ODRAZ - održivi razvoj zajednice	Zagreb	150,000.00
3 Krila-Terapijsko jahanje	Zagreb	150,000.00
4 Domaći - udruga za kreativni razvoj	Karlovac	150,000.00
5 DIM - Demokratska inicijativa mladih	Zagreb	150,000.00
6 Hrvatska udruga za stručnu pomoć djeci s posebnim potrebama IDEM	Zagreb	150,000.00
7 Eko centar 'Caput Insulae' - Beli	Rijeka	150,000.00
8 Centar za građanske inicijative Poreč	Poreč	150,000.00
9 ZUM - udruga za poticanje zapošljavanja i stručno usavršavanje mladih ljudi	Pula	150,000.00
10 Udruženje za razvoj kulture - URK	Zagreb	150,000.00
2) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS		10
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS		KN 1,500,000.00

B 3) INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS UP TO HRK 350,000.00 (PA-6)

NAME OF ORGANISATION	TOWN	APPROVED GRANT (HRK)
1 Udruga MI Split	Split	350,000.00
2 Udruga MOST	Split	350,000.00
3 Centar za civilne inicijative	Zagreb	350,000.00
4 Centar za edukaciju i savjetovanje žena - CESI	Zagreb	350,000.00
5 Multimedijalni institut	Zagreb	350,000.00
6 Udruženje DJECA PRVA	Zagreb	350,000.00
7 MiRTa	Split	350,000.00
8 Udruženje za mir i ljudska prava BARANJA	Bilje	350,000.00
9 ZELENA AKCIJA	Zagreb	350,000.00
10 Centar za mir, nenasilje i ljudska prava OSIJEK	Osijek	350,000.00
3) TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS		10
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS		KN 3,500,000.00

B)

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS B1+B2+B3	30
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS B1+B2+B3	KN 5,500,000.00

C) PROGRAMME NETWORKING OF ASSOCIATIONS IN THE RC (PA-7)

NAZIV ORGANIZACIJE	GRAD	NAZIV PROGRAMA	ODOBRENA FINANCIJSKA POTPORA (KN)
1 Savez udruga KLUBTURA	Zagreb	Active culture	299,990.00
2 Koalicija za promociju i zaštitu ljudskih prava	Osijek	Promotion of European values and xenophobia at the local and regional levels	295,700.00
3 Ekološko društvo Pan	Karlovac	Network of green telephones for survey and comparison of EU and Croatian standards in waste management	299,192.00
4 Savez društava multiple skleroze Hrvatske	Zagreb	Europe accessible to all	299,974.00
5 Hrvatsko knjižničarsko društvo	Zagreb	Information about the EU in public libraries	297,000.00
6 Albert E – udruga građana za tranziciju	Osijek	European horizons	300,000.00

c)

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPROVED GRANTS	6
TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS	KN 1,791,856.00
TOTAL NUMBER OF MULTI-ANNUAL GRANTS A+B+C	49
TOTAL AMOUNT OF MULTI-ANNUAL GRANTS IN 2005 A+B+C	KN 8,283,409.27



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