Public evaluation report

Results of open call “Monitoring, Advocacy and Coalition Building for Women’s Rights, Environmental Justice & Anticorruption Grass Roots CSOs”[[1]](#endnote-1) for Bulgaria

**Project full name:** Catalyst of Change

**Project grant agreement and number:** Project 101091722 — Catalyst of Change.

European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)

On July 2, 2025 Netherlands Helsinki Committee launched an open regional call for proposals “Monitoring, Advocacy and Coalition Building for Women’s Rights, Environmental Justice & Anticorruption Grass Roots CSOs” for CSOs in Bulgaria within the scope of the EU funded [Catalyst of Change](https://www.nhc.nl/catalyst-of-change-supporting-a-vibrant-civil-society-in-europe/) project.

NHC received 33 applications for this Call. The designated evaluation committee recommended that Campaigns and Activism for Animals in Industry (CAAI), Center for Legal Aid, Counterintuitive Institute, LGBTI Deystvie, Endometriosis Foundation, Lomovera Foundation, Society for Investigation Practices (SIP), WomanUp, Women's Place, Ecological Association ZaZemiata to be awarded requested grants for implementation of their proposed project. All applicants have been informed about the evaluation results on their proposals for this Call.

**Call information**

The call was published on the website of the [Netherlands Helsinki Committee](https://www.nhc.nl/call-for-proposals-strengthening-the-communication-capacity-of-grassroots-csos/) and subsequent social media platforms: [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/netherlands-helsinki-committee_catalystofchange-eufunded-catalystofchange-activity-7346531849088692224-LQxp?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAACU4quYBoDfjSC_Lnma2Llz2gKNKnd45DFY), [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/p/DLpb9qMMh0d/?hl=en).

**Response to the call in detail**

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|  | Number of Proposals | Total Funding Requested |
| Proposals Received | 33 | EUR 321,010 |
| Eligible Proposals | 32 | EUR 311,010 |
| Selected Proposals | 10 | EUR 95,859.50 |

**List of Selected Proposals**

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| No | Organization |  | Funding awarded |
| 1 | Campaigns and Activism for Animals in Industry (CAAI) | Stop Megafarms: Too Much Risk in One Place | € 9,150 |
| 2 | Center for Legal Aid | Stories for Change: Giving Voice to Migrant Women in Bulgaria | € 9,939 |
| 3 | Counterintuitive Institute | Women, Tech & Civic Space: Change and Empowerment through Coalition-Building | € 10,000 |
| 4 | LGBTI Deystvie | Sofia Human Rights Forum 2026  (SHRF) | € 7,610 |
| 5 | Endometriosis Foundation | EndoTalks - podcast and digital campaign for women's health, rights,  and awareness | € 9,989.50 |
| 6 | Lomovera Foundation | Framing Rights: A Photography Academy to Strengthen NGO Storytelling on Human Rights | € 9,986 |
| 7 | Society for Investigation Practices (SIP) | Videos and podcasts for the “Right to Nature” | € 10,000 |
| 8 | WomanUp | Rights in Birth: Towards Respectful Maternity Care | € 10,000 |
| 9 | Women's Place | FAIR SHARE | € 9,200 |
| 10 | Ecological Association ZaZemiata | "Voices for Protection: Preventive Communication Against Smear Campaigns and SLAPP Lawsuits" | € 9,995 |
|  | **Total** |  | € 95.870 |

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