



The Europe for Citizens Programme - 2014-2020 and The Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme - 2021-2027



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The Europe for Citizens programme – 2014-2020

General objectives and strands

- Contribute to citizens understanding of the Union, its history and diversity
- Promote conditions for civic and democratic participation at EU level

Strand 1 - European Remembrance

- Remembrance

Strand 2 - Democratic Engagement and Civic Participation

- Town Twining
- Networks of Towns
- Civil Society projects

Measures of the programme

- **Remembrance:** promoting reflection on causes of totalitarian regimes and defining moments in recent European history;
- **Town Twinning:** bringing together partner towns in a town twinning event - mobilizing citizens at local and Union levels to debate on concrete issues from the European political agenda;
- **Network of Towns:** municipalities and associations working together on a common theme in a long-term perspective – developing networks among towns to make their cooperation sustainable;
- **Civil Society:** gathering citizens from different levels in activities directly linked to Union policies, to give them an opportunity to concretely participate in the Union policy-making process.

Focus on Civil Society Projects – Strand 2

Promoting **transnational partnership** and networks of civil society organisations **directly involving citizens**;

Stimulating and organizing **reflections, debates** or other activities related to the priority themes of the programme and propose **practical solutions**.

PRIORITIES 2020

- *Debating the **future of Europe** and challenging Euroscepticism*
- *Promoting **solidarity** as a basic concept*
- *Fostering **intercultural dialogue** and mutual understanding and combatting the **stigmatisation of migrants** and minority groups*

Civil society organisations, educational, cultural or research institutions.

Partners can also be public local/regional authorities

Results 2020 - projects submitted / selected

Action grants:

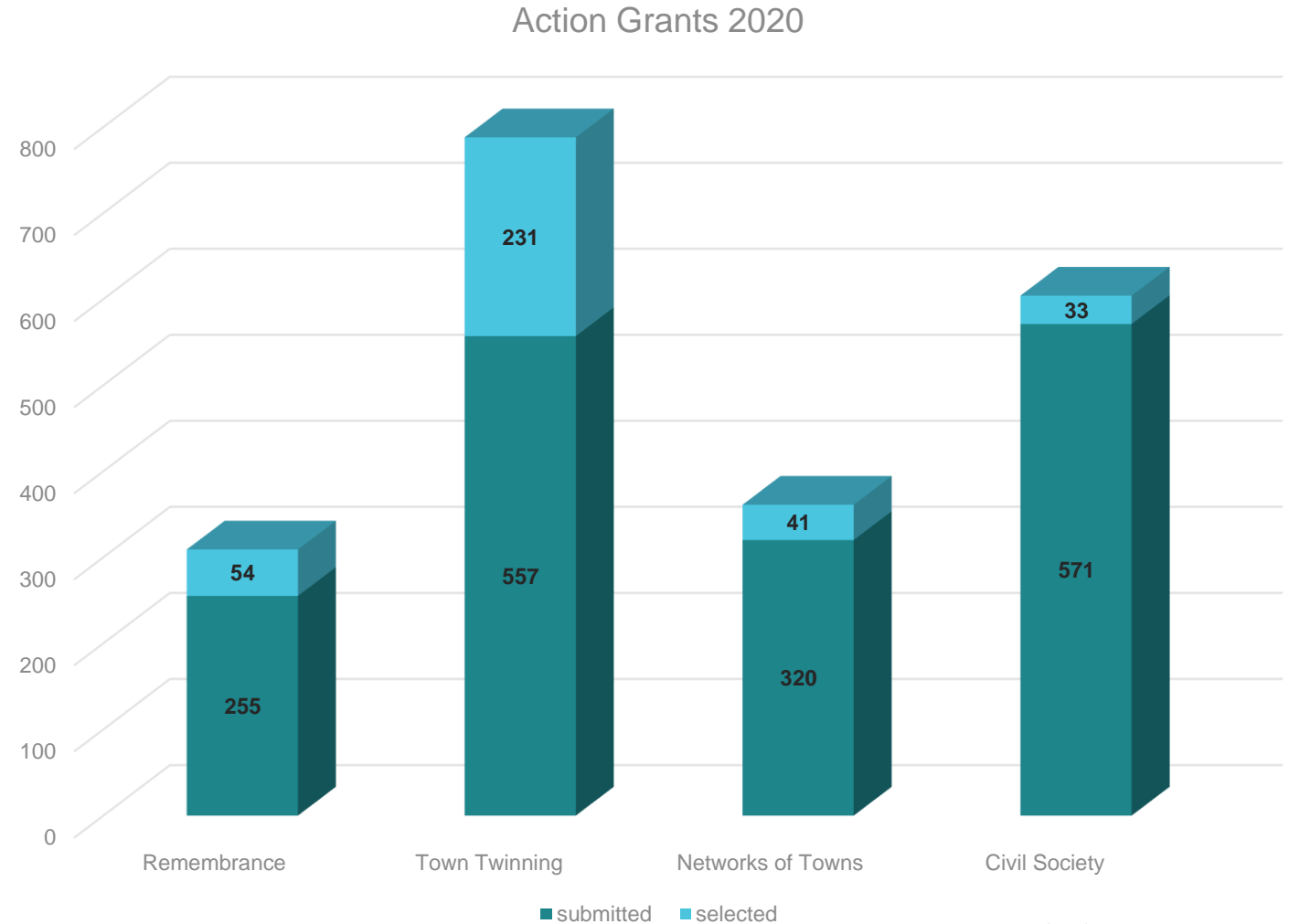
1703 applications submitted

359 projects selected

21% success rate

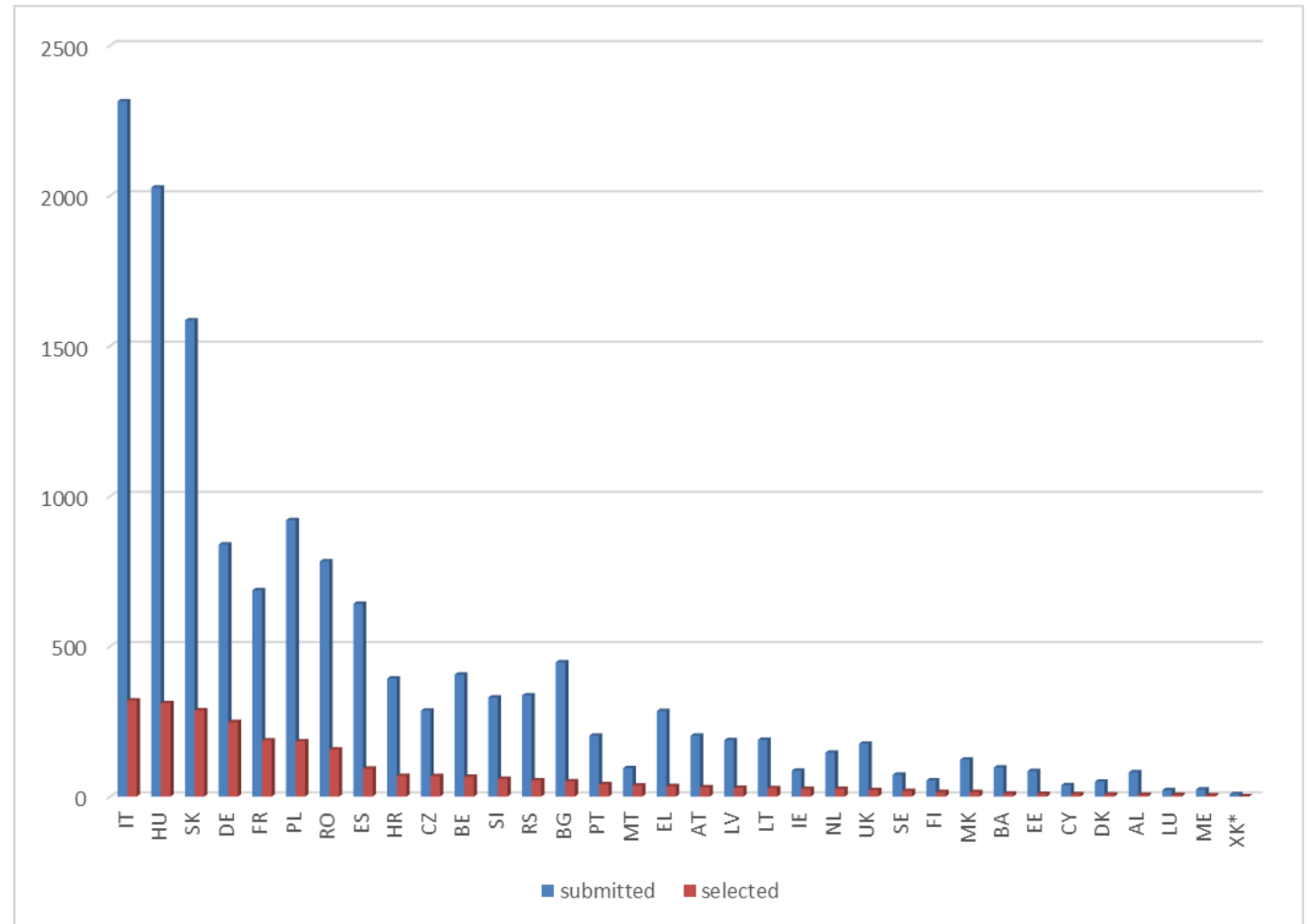
+ 30 Operating Grants

+ 28 Contact Points



Results 2014-2020 – 7 ans

- More than **14.000** applications submitted
- Around **2.500** applications selected
- Selection rate **17,8%**
- **34 countries** involved
(28 EU members + 6 Non-EU)



Projects finalised in 2020



The 'new' programme:
Citizens, Equality, Rights and
Values Programme (CERV)
- 2021-2027

Objectives

*It brings together the former
Europe for Citizens and
Rights, Equality and
Citizenship Programmes*

- to protect and promote Union values (**Union values Strand**)
- to promote rights, non-discrimination and equality, including gender equality, and to advance gender mainstreaming (**equality, rights and gender equality Strand**)
- to promote citizens' engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union and to raise awareness of their common European history (**citizens' engagement and participation Strand**)
- to prevent and combat gender-based violence and violence against children (**Daphne Strand**).

Roles

- The **European Commission (DG JUST)** is responsible for the policy (work programmes and strategies) and the implementation of the
 - equality, rights and gender equality Strand and
 - the Daphne Strand
- The **EACEA Agency** is responsible for the implementation of
 - the Union values Strand and
 - the citizens' engagement and participation Strand

2021-2022

CERV multiannual **work programme for 2021-2022:**

https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/1_en_annexe_acte_autonome_part1_v8.pdf

Calls are and will be published in the ***Funding & Tender*** portal:

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/programmes/cerv>

Call for proposals on **Citizens' engagement and participation** will be published before the end of the year 2021.

Thank you!

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