

# Climate Forum East (CFE)

**Lead:** Austrian Red Cross

**Partners in EaP region:** Armenian Red Cross Society, Azerbaijan Red Crescent Society, Georgia Red Cross Society, Belarus Red Cross Society, National Ecological Centre of Ukraine, Ecospectru (Moldova)

**International project partners:** Environment Agency Austria, Red Cross/Red Crescent Climate Centre on Climate Change and Disaster Preparedness, WWF International Danube-Carpathian Programme, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

**Locations:** Armenia, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus

**The specific objective** is to strengthen the capacity of civil society organization (CSO) networks to participate effectively in policy dialogue with local authorities, EU institutions and international organisations on Climate Change Adaptation across all 6 EaP countries.

## Estimated results and main activities

(1) 6 national CSO networks on Climate Change Adaptation established or reinforced

Main activities: mapping relevant CSOs and existing networks; national networking meetings on internal structures, procedures and working plans; trainings on EU policy processes on climate change

(2) Capacity of 6 national CSO networks to assess national and regional climate vulnerabilities strengthened

Main activities: develop national climate vulnerability assessments (CVA); regional workshop on CVA and existing surveys

(3) Capacity of 6 national CSO networks in advocacy and awareness raising on impacts of climate change strengthened

Main activities: regional and national advocacy workshops; seminars on communication skills; round tables for media; meetings with decision makers; development of communication tools

(4) Capacity amongst CSOs to jointly deliver education for action and citizenship amongst youth and communities enhanced

Main activities: advocacy workshops for youth and community leaders; seminars for teachers; promotion of youth and community action

(5) Regional CSO platform mobilized to sustain linkages between Civil Society, local authorities, EU and international organizations

Main activities: constitutional meeting of CFE; training on relevant policy dialogues; review of EU climate policy in EaP; participation at relevant fora; study visit to Brussels; international conferences

**Target groups:** Regional CSO network on Climate Change Adaptation, 6 national CSO networks on Climate Change Adaptation, 120 environmental, social and humanitarian CSOs from EaP region and 1200 staff and youth volunteers of Red Cross/Red Crescent Societies and CSOs from EaP region

**Final beneficiaries:** Vulnerable population (elderly, children, ill, poor, minorities) from EaP countries

**Project duration:** January 2013 – December 2014 (24 months)

**Budget:** 1.100.000 €

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