

OVERALL
OBJECTIVE
(IMPACT)

Enhanced cooperation and resilience of
CSOs in the Western Balkan countries that
contribute to open civic space

THEORY OF CHANGE

PROGRAMME
PURPOSE
(OUTCOME)

Establishment of a Regional CSDev Hub that connects
and empowers CSOs in innovative uptakes of enabling
environment and practices of accountability

RESULTS

CSOs contributed to a conducive
environment for civil society
development that enables them to
be influential actors in the society

CSOs contributed towards
effective, transparent and
accountable work that contributes
in protecting civic space

Strengthened regional
cooperation for promoting civic
space through the Civil Society
Development Fund

OUTPUTS

- Annual Monitoring Matrix reports on the enabling environment for civil society development in the region
- Advocacy actions led by BCSDN/ members (up to 6)
- Advocacy actions led by BCSDN/ members - *Ad Hoc grants* (up to 8)
- Monitoring Matrix mainstreamed through the ad hoc grants (up to 8)

- Methodology for monitoring the state of CSO capacities and accountability in the countries
- Report on CSO accountability in the countries;
- Good practices on accountability promoted (up to 6)
- Support to networks in their dynamic accountability practices (Up to 8)

- Up to 14 grants awarded on regional initiatives
- Up to 14 expert exchanges;
- Up 14 workshops/events/actions funded

ACTIVITIES
(INPUTS)

- Regular monitoring incl. exchange and standardization of methodology (Monitoring Matrix to be used by BCSDN members);
- Implementation of advocacy actions on key issues from annual monitoring through the grants;
- Mainstreaming the MM standards for enabling environment of civil society development through the Ad hoc grants.

- Development of agreed methodology for monitoring the state of CSO capacities and accountability in the countries and preparation of a report;
- Identification and sharing of good practices and mechanisms in the region and Europe for improving the environment in which CSOs operate;
- Improving CSO understanding for global and European standards and trends for CSOs' accountability and transparency;
- Promoting the Global Standard and **supporting networks and platforms in alignment** and improvement of their own accountability practices.

- Grant scheme: funding regional initiatives on promoting civic space;
- Ad hoc support: to innovative uptakes in thematic priorities such as human rights, gender equality and environment and their role in reclaiming civic space;
- Leverage and connection among civil society actors that work on enabling environment and accountability;
- Joint action based on the research and advocacy of BCSDN members and grantees.