

**Project fiche****EUROPE FOR CITIZENS – Strand 2, Measure 2.3 “Networks of Towns”**

Programme	Europe for Citizens
Call for proposal	Democratic engagement and civic participation http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/europe-for-citizens_en
General objectives	Under the overall aim of bringing the Union closer to citizens the general objectives are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• to contribute to citizens' understanding of the Union, its history and diversity;• to foster European citizenship and to improve conditions for civic and democratic participation at Union level.
Specific objectives	Encourage democratic and civic participation of citizens at Union level, by developing citizens' understanding of the Union policy making-process and promoting opportunities for societal and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level.
Eligible actions	The measure promotes actions related to civic participation in a broad sense, prioritizing all the initiatives focusing on the European political agenda. Actions supporting opportunities for societal engagement and volunteering at Union level will also be covered. There must be at least 4 events for each project.
Eligible lead partner	Towns/municipalities or their twinning committees or networks; other levels of local/regional authorities; federations/associations of local authorities; non-profit organisations representing local authorities.
Eligible partners	In addition to the applicants mentioned above, non-profit civil society organisations can be partners to those projects.
Partnership	The project must involve municipalities from at least 4 eligible countries of which at least one is an EU Member State.
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Budget	Maximum eligible grant for a project: 150.000 euro
Deadline	1st September 2014
Project duration	Maximum project duration is 24 months
Directorate General of reference	Directorate General for Communication. The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) is responsible for the implementation of the majority of activities of the Europe for Citizens Programme.