

EU 4 INDEPENDENT MEDIA CONTENT PRODUCTION CALL

Eligibility Criteria

Key eligibility criterion

EU4IM works only with independent media. The media must meet the following essential criterion:

- Non-interference into the editorial process by the proprietor(s) or their political or business allies.

Eligible beneficiaries are:

- Legally registered news organisations catering for audiences in at least one of 6 beneficiary countries, including organisations operating in exile
- Journalist and press freedom non-profit organisations;
- Independent content production companies;
- Journalists/content production teams acting on behalf of any of the above.

Eligible beneficiaries must:

- Have been in operation for not fewer than 3 (three) years prior to the submission of the proposal;
- Have produced not fewer than 3 (three) investigations;
- Have a Code of Ethics/editorial guidelines/membership in journalist organisations with a joint Code of Ethics or a track record of upholding journalism standards or participating in related initiatives;
- Not allow duplication with other EU-funded projects.

Eligible topics include, but are not limited to:

- Corruption and financial crime;
- Organised crime;
- Public safety and security;
- Democracy and human rights;
- Environment and climate change;
- Healthcare.

The following media are ineligible for content production support:

- International broadcasters;
- Public international organisations;
- Organisations that are bankrupt, in liquidation, or have been convicted for fraud or corruption; if awarded, organisations may be required to submit supporting documents and/or a Declaration of honour;
- Non-profit organizations not linked to journalism and press freedom;
- Requests for assistance with obvious fraudulent or trolling intent.

All final decisions on eligibility will be determined by the EU4 Independent Media Key Expert team.