

Funding source	Central European Initiative (CEI) "The Know-how Exchange Programme (KEP)"
Targeted countries	CEI Member State ¹ , which includes the following EECA countries: Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine.
Programme objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Strengthen economic and social advancement of the non-EU CEI Member States; ✓ Help the recent EU members in their transformation from recipients to donors (emerging donors) of development assistance; ✓ Promote principles of foreign development aid and support international collaboration among institutions in CEI member countries.
Programme description	The Know-how Exchange Programme (KEP) is an instrument supporting projects and programmes focused on the transfer of know-how and best practices from EU to non-EU CEI Member States. It operates through calls for proposals.
Website and additional links	http://www.cei.int/KEP?tab=0
Status	Ongoing
Overall budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ <u>KEP ITALY</u> - Call for Proposals 2014: 9 projects have been approved and will be supported with a contribution of EUR 260k. ✓ <u>KEP AUSTRIA</u> - Call for Proposals 2014: 4 projects have been approved and will be supported with a contribution of EUR 186k.
Maximum budget per candidate	EU 40k
Contact	kep.italy@cei.int kep.austria@cei.int
Who can candidate?	All public and private sector bodies (not individuals), international and nongovernmental organisations operating in the public interest, e.g. national, regional and local authorities, education/research institutions, environmental organisations.
What are the requirements for applying?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Proposals are to be in line with the CEI Plan of Action 2014-2016 ✓ The Applicant shall be registered in a CEI Member States that is also member of the EU, namely: Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia ✓ Beneficiaries shall be organisations from Albania, <u>Belarus</u>, Bosnia and Herzegovina, FYROM, <u>Moldova</u>, Montenegro, Serbia, and <u>Ukraine</u>
Type of activity funded	Research
Link with ICT	Direct

¹ The list of CEI countries is available on the CEI's website: <http://www.cei.int/content/member-states>

Other useful information

Any grant awarded shall not exceed fifty per cent (50%) of the total cost of a given project.