

## European Democracy Network

### Call for Applications

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#### About European Democracy Network (EDN):

EDN is an empowerment and transnational networking programme for activists who stand against the erosion of democracy, discrimination and the restriction of fundamental and human rights in Europe. EDN is designed by a partnership of seven civil society actors from six European countries advocating for an inclusive, diverse and participatory society and the protection of environment. EDN is currently co-funded by the EU's Europe for Citizens Programme and the citizensforeurope.eu

#### About the EDN's programme:

The programme consists of a series of six international Activists Network Workshops and connected local Citizens Dialogues. Each workshop and dialogue will take place in a different country (Poland, Germany, Hungary, Denmark, France and Czech Republic) of the partnership. A workshop will last two full days, the attached local dialogue half-a-day with additional travel time. The workshops will respond to the activists' individual demands for expertise, knowledge, tools and strategies to strengthen the activists' resilience, competences and capacity. They may comprise various topics, such as: protection of personal data and cyber security; countering fake news, trolling and hate speech on social media; collective decision-making and non-violent conflict resolution; anti-discrimination and anti-racism; effective off-line/on-line campaigning and advocacy; working with refugees and volunteers.

The local Citizens Dialogues will be interactive events allowing for an exchange of knowledge and experience between local communities and the international group of activists.

#### About the participants:

Participants will be two activists from each partnership country and additional four activists from countries outside the partnership. Participants must have previous engagement in non-violent activism for systemic change and have the potential to influence public discourses and opinions. Selected participants are required to participate in the full programme.

#### About the Workshops and Dialogues:

Participants will receive financial reimbursement for their participation in international Activist Network Workshops and local Citizens Dialogues in every partner country.

Preliminary schedules of the workshops and dialogues including travel days if needed:

- 22 - 25 March 2019 in Warsaw, Poland
- May/June 2019 in Berlin, Germany
- October 2019 in Budapest, Hungary
- January 2020 in Paris, France
- March 2020 in Copenhagen, Denmark
- May 2020 in Brno, Czech Republic



### About the application process:

Applicants are asked to answer the following questions (word count guideline – max. 200 words per question):

- To which communities and activist groups do you have a strong connection with and what kind of activities and topics do they focus on.
- How will you ensure that you can act as multiplier in these communities and groups to allow for broader impact of the workshops and dialogues?
- How do you plan to develop your future activism and which topics would you focus on?
- What are your needs as an activist, that should be covered by the workshops?

Applications must be submitted by **28<sup>th</sup> February 2019** to [vendula@nesehnuti.cz](mailto:vendula@nesehnuti.cz). Selected participants will be informed by 5<sup>th</sup> March.