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**OVERVIEW OF THE
AVAILABLE EU FUNDED
PROGRAMMES FOR
COOPERATION BETWEEN
CZECH AND UKRAINIAN
MUNICIPALITIES**



- Transnational Cooperation Programme
- Overall budget of the programme is more than 215 MEUR
- Close links to the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)



- From Ukraine only the Regions: Chernivetska Oblast, Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast, Zakarpatska Oblast, Odessa Oblast are part of the Programme area,
- Despite this territorial restriction in the 1st Call for Proposals, Project Partners from the entire territory of Ukraine could participate in projects given that the part of the operations implemented outside programme area (the UA regions not officially involved in the programme) directly contribute to the objectives of the programme. (Reg. (EU) 2021/1059, Art.37).
- Ukrainian organisations could have only the status of Project Partner in the 1st Call for Proposals



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Danube Transnational Programme

Funding will be allocated to transnational cooperation projects concentrated on the following priorities:

**A smarter
Danube Region**



**A greener,
low-carbon
Danube Region**



**A more social
Danube Region**



**A better cooperation
governance in the
Danube Region**





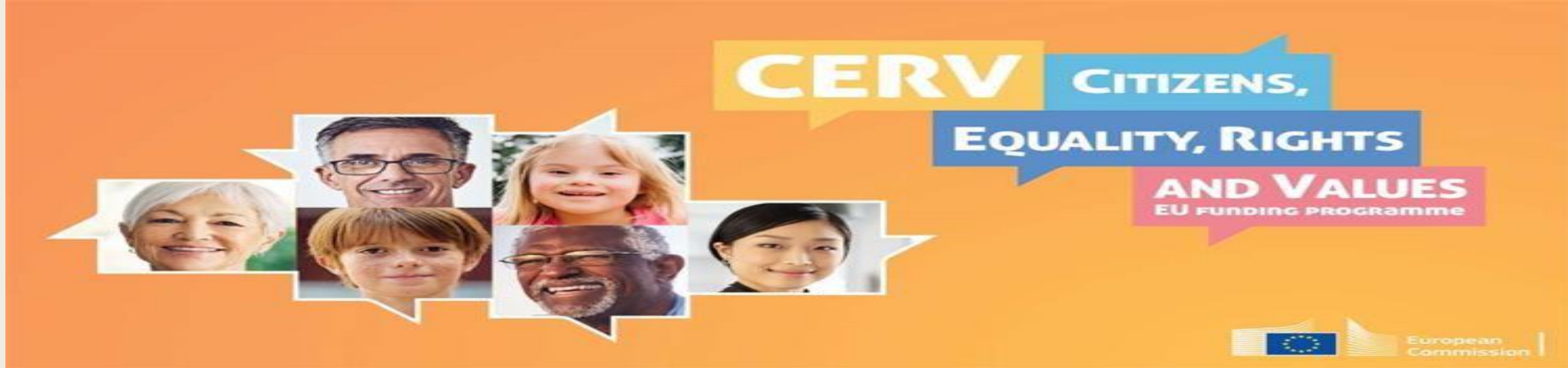
- Ukraine is eligible for LIFE Programme in general, but one of the sub-programmes namely the European City Facility (EUCF) is particularly suitable to foster cooperation between Ukrainian and EU cities.
- The EUCF is open to all municipalities/local authorities, their groupings, and local public entities aggregating municipalities/local authorities from the 27 EU Member States, Iceland and Ukraine.
- Applicants are required:
 - *to have a climate and/or energy plan. This includes SECAPs (Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans), developed within the Covenant of Mayors initiative, or other climate and/or energy plans with mitigation targets.*
 - *to demonstrate political commitment to the development of the Investment Concept through a letter of support, signed by the Mayor or other relevant political representative. The applicant must commit to the EUCF monitoring period of two years.*



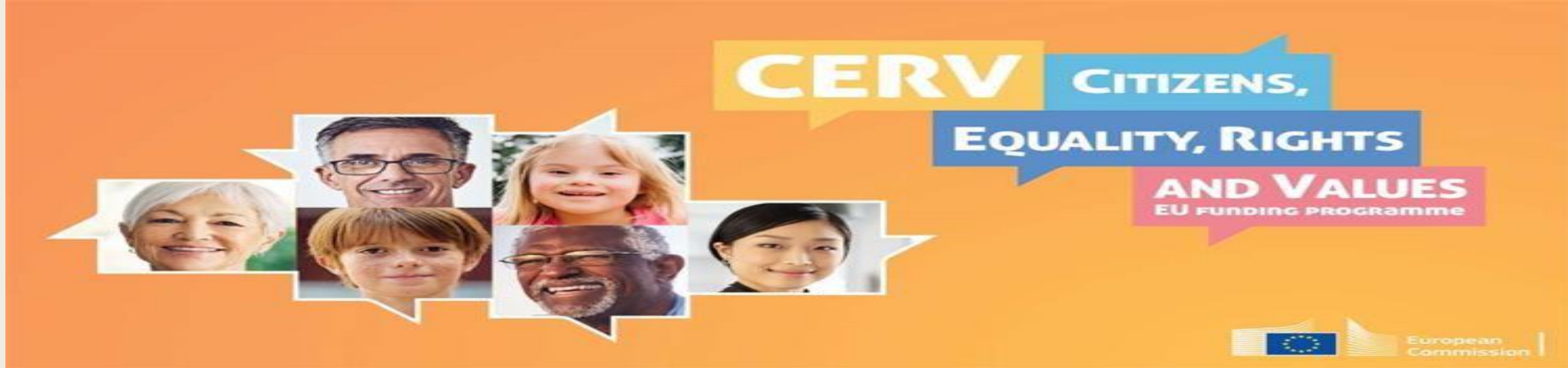
- The EUCF finances activities, such as:
 - *(technical) feasibility studies, market analyses, stakeholder analyses, legal, economic and financial analyses, risk analyses, etc., that are required to develop the investment concept.*
- These activities can be delivered by in-house staff or subcontracted external experts.
- *The grant cannot directly finance the actual investments, but it covers costs to mobilise resources and access services to develop an investment concept.*



- First call for proposals:
 - *opened on 28 April 2023 and will be closed on 30 June 2023*
 - *The EUCF finances the development of an Investment Concept with a fixed grant of 60 000 EUR for each beneficiary*
 - *70 beneficiaries will be funded in the framework of the present call.*

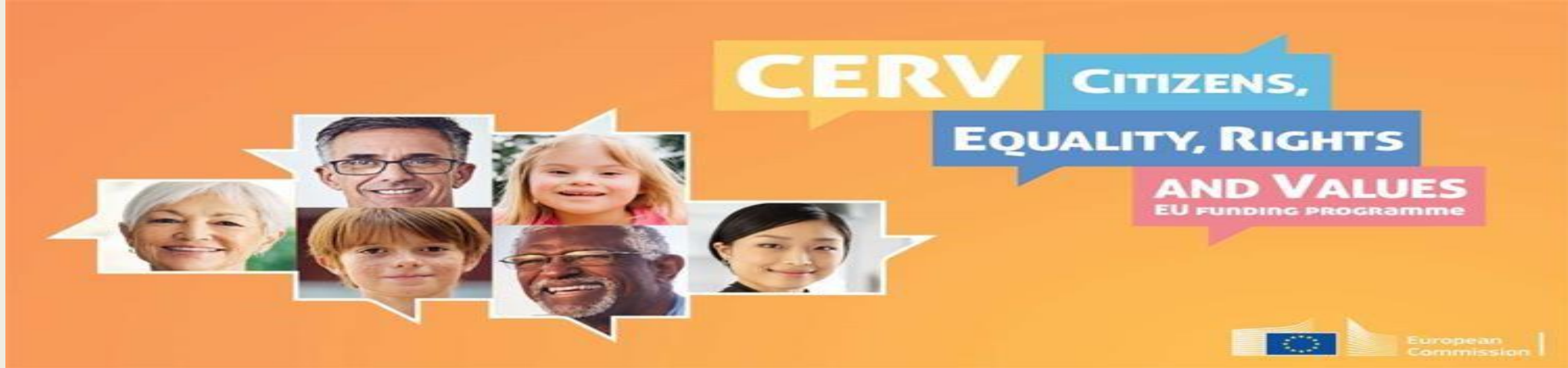


- Objective:
 - *to protect and promote European Union rights and values as enshrined in the EU Treaties and the Charter of Fundamental Rights.*
- It aims to contribute to sustaining and further developing open, rights-based, democratic, equal and inclusive societies based on the rule of law.
- Ukraine has confirmed interest to participate in the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme.



■ Current call for proposals on Town Twinning :

- *The objective of this call for proposals is to promote exchanges between citizens of different countries, in particular through town twinning, to give them practical experience of the wealth and diversity of the common heritage of the Union and to make them aware that these constitute the foundation for a common future.*
- *This call aims to support projects that bring together a wide range of people from twinned towns, from different socio-economic background, gender and countries. By mobilising members of the public at the local and EU levels to debate specific issues on the European political agenda*
- *this call seeks to promote mutual understanding, inclusion and cultural diversity and develop opportunities for civic engagement at the EU level.*



- Current call for proposals on Town Twinning :
 - *The total available budget of the call is 4.000.000 EUR and the deadline for submission is the 20th of September 2023.*
 - *Important eligibility conditions are:*
 - for the applicant: be a public body or a non-profit organisation: towns/municipalities and/or other levels of local authorities or their twinning committees or other non-profit organisations representing local authorities.
 - the project must be transnational and must involve municipalities from at least two eligible countries of which at least one is an EU Member State.
 - activities must take place in an eligible country participating in the project.
 - events must involve a minimum of 50 direct participants, of which a minimum of 25 participants are "invited/international participants"

**THANK YOU VERY
MUCH FOR YOUR
ATTENTION!**