

**Ministry of Finance of Republic of Latvia**  
The National Focal Point for the EEA Financial Mechanism  
and the Norwegian Financial Mechanism  
**announces on 5 December, 2006 a call for proposals**  
**for the submission of applications**  
**for individual projects**  
**within the framework of**  
**the European Economic Area Financial Mechanism**  
**and the Norwegian Financial Mechanism**

The total amount available for call for proposals is **EUR 17 074 145**.

**The following applicants are eligible:**

State administration or local government authority, its institution or agency, educational institution established by state or local government, state scientific institution, state agency, as well as legal entity registered in the Republic of Latvia: association, foundation (NGO), religious organization or capital company.

Projects may be implemented together with partners from Latvia or the donor countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, as well as the other countries in the European Economic Area.

**The following rules of the grant rate ceilings shall apply:**

The contribution from the financial mechanisms in the form of grants shall be determined on a case-by-case basis, taking all relevant factors into account. European Community ceilings for co-financing shall not be exceeded in any case.

In addition to the general principle above, the following rules on the grant rate ceilings shall apply:

a) Grant rate up to 60%; With the exceptions referred to in subparagraphs (b) and (c) below, the grant rate shall not exceed 60% of the eligible project costs;

b) Grant rate up to 85%; Where 15% or more of the eligible project costs are co-financed by state or local government budget allocations, the EEA Financial Mechanism and the Norwegian Financial Mechanism may provide a grant for the remainder of the eligible project costs;

c) Grant rate up to and above 85%; For grant assistance set up to support NGO activities (including social partners), the Norwegian Financial Mechanism and the EEA Financial Mechanism may be applied in combination in order to allow grant rates above those described in sub-paragraph (a) and (b) above, but generally not above 90%. Domestic co-financing will normally be required.

The minimum grant size is 250 000 EUR.

**The deadline for submission of applications:**

Applications shall be submitted personally, or sent by post from 5 December 2006 until close of business 17:00 o'clock on 5 March 2006. Only those applications are examined by ministries which are received by 5 March 2007 17:00 o'clock. Applications shall be submitted in English.

**The number and format of the applications:**

3 signed hard copies, except in the priority *Children with special needs*, where 4 hard copies have to be submitted, (from which one is original) and one identical copy in electronic format.

**Exchange rate:** 1EUR=0.702804 Ls

Applications can be submitted under in the table mentioned priority sectors and their sub-priorities outlined in the relevant open call guidelines. For some sub-priorities the ministries have defined particularly supported activities. Please consult the open call guidelines [www.eeagrants.lv](http://www.eeagrants.lv).

**The place for submission of applications and within the open call for the priority available grant:**

Priority sectors	The available grant assistance (EUR)	Address for submission of applications	Contact person
Protection of the environment	1 712 070	Ministry of Environment, Peldu iela 25, Rīga LV-1494, (Room 204)	Ilze Rumbiniece, <a href="mailto:ilze.rumbiniece@vidm.gov.lv">ilze.rumbiniece@vidm.gov.lv</a> +371 7 026564
Sustainable development	1 421 200	Ministry of Environment, Peldu iela 25, Rīga LV-1494, (Room 204)	Ilze Rumbiniece, <a href="mailto:ilze.rumbiniece@vidm.gov.lv">ilze.rumbiniece@vidm.gov.lv</a> +371 7 026564
Conservation of European heritage	1 641 200	Ministry of Culture, K.Valdemāra iela 11a, Rīga LV-1364, (Room 21)	Sandija Auermane, <a href="mailto:eeagrants@km.gov.lv">eeagrants@km.gov.lv</a> +371 7356626
Health	2 368 355	Ministry of Health, Brīvības iela 72, Rīga LV-1011 (Room 431)	Darja Volkova, <a href="mailto:Darja.Volkova@vm.gov.lv">Darja.Volkova@vm.gov.lv</a> +371 7 876028
Children with special needs	897 680	Ministry of Children and Family Affairs, Basteja bulvāris 14, Rīga LV-1050, (3rd floor)	Inese Ikstena, <a href="mailto:inese.ikstena@bglm.gov.lv">inese.ikstena@bglm.gov.lv</a> +371 7 356481
Human resource development and education	2 221 180	Ministry of Education and Science, Vaļņu iela 2, Rīga LV-1050 (Room 203)	Irina Stoļarova, <a href="mailto:eld@izm.gov.lv">eld@izm.gov.lv</a> +371 7 047968
Judiciary	3 581 360	Ministry of Justice, Brīvības bulvāris 36, Rīga LV-1536	Vidaga Šaule, <a href="mailto:eeagrants@tm.gov.lv">eeagrants@tm.gov.lv</a> +371 7 036973
Regional policy and development of economic activity	3 231 120	Ministry of Regional Development and Local Governments, Lāčplēša iela 27, Rīga LV-1011 (Room 103)	Una Čakāne, <a href="mailto:eeagrants@raplm.gov.lv">eeagrants@raplm.gov.lv</a> +371 7 770391

**Focal Point contact details:** Finanšu ministrija, Smiļšu iela 1, LV-1919 Rīga, e-mail: [eea@fm.gov.lv](mailto:eea@fm.gov.lv), tel.: +371 7095422, fax: +371 7095601.

All questions concerning the call for proposals may be directed to the respective ministry by e-mail or by post not later than 12 February 2007. The respective ministry prepares a written response and sends it to person concerned electronically or by fax, as well as by post within 5 working days.

Application form and further information about open calls, list of sub-priorities, the evaluation process, the EEA Financial Mechanism and the Norwegian Financial Mechanism as well as all documentation regarding the application process (such as open call guidelines, the application form, user guide, examples of indicators as well the Rules and Procedures, guidelines and guides) are also available on [www.eeagrants.lv](http://www.eeagrants.lv) and [www.eeagrants.org](http://www.eeagrants.org).

Several block grants (e.g. for Academic Research, NGOs, Seed Money, Scholarship and Short term expert Fund) and programmes (e.g. for Cross Border Activities) will be established in Latvia. Please consult the [www.eeagrants.lv](http://www.eeagrants.lv) for further information.