# External Relations and Fundraising

## BEE, FM and PD Joint workshop



### **Overview**

- What is fundraising
- External relations
- Grants



## What is fundraising

Process of searching for and gathering financial resources to support for our initiatives

Sources of funds:

- External
  - Partners
  - Grants
  - Donations

- Internal
  - Fees
  - Project revenues
  - Sales and advertising revenues



## **External Relations**

- What and who to look for;
- What to give;
- Case Study: Professional Development;
- How to approach;
- External Relations Procedure;
- External Relations Academy.



## What to look for?



## Who to look for?





## Is that all?

No! There are always other partners we can get:





## What to give?

Generally, partners are interested in two things:



#### How do we give it to them?





# Let's practice!



## **Case Study**

**Professional Development** 

What can we sell?

#### To whom can we sell it?

## **Case Study: Professional Development**

What can we sell with Professional Development?



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### **Case Study: Professional Development**



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## How to Approach?

The normal way — Email to general address

However, you may have other ways:

- Contacts from previous terms;
- Contacts developed by other Areas;
- Alumni.

What to do when you don't get a response?

- Wait. Sometimes it takes time;
- Resend the email;
- Try other methods: phone call, LinkedIn;
- Be ready to go for plan B.



## **External Relations Procedure**

### Basic Concepts:



- International Institutional Contact





## **External Relations Procedure**

### Basic Concepts:

- National Corporate Contact



- National Institutional Contact



International Contacts - Contact the IB (Contact Approval Form)

National Contacts - The IB contacts you



## **External Relations Procedure**

Attention to:

- 7 days to respond to the CAF;
- Need to present concrete reasons for refusal;
- If situated in a European State where there is a National Group, the permission of the National Group shall also be requested;
- Events co-organised by ELSA International;
- Contact Evaluation Form;
- Does not apply to obtain materials or products intended for promotion free of charge;
- Sanctions!



## External Relations Academy

I'm waiting for you!



### Grants





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## **Types of grants**

#### • Structural Grants: for general Administration

- Board management
- Offices/Housing
- Secretariat
- Project grants: project related
  - Linked to an specific outcome
  - In line with the interests of the granters

## Eligibility

Is it possible to apply as an NGO?

Can apply as a single applicant or do I need a consortium?

Does my group fit the regional requirements?

Does the grantors field of interest include the type of your activity or programme?

Does the grantor require a specific application form or proposal?



## What can we (as ELSA) apply for?

**International Grants** 

• Art. 1.1 DB: An international grant is a grant for which one or more National Groups and/or ELSA International is eligible under the criteria set out by the organisation providing the grant. National Grants

National Grants

• Art 1.2 DB: A national grant is a grant for which only one National Group is eligible under the criteria set out by the organisation providing the grant.



## What do we apply for?

- Erasmus+
- EYF
- UNECA Grant
- City of Strasbourg
- Council of Europe Grant
- Google Ads Grant



### 0. Preparation

- a. Search for Grants
- b. See if the interests of each granter are in line with the interests of your organization
- c. Schedule your timelines



### 1. Proposal

- a. You should explain who you are (your organization) and what your vision is.
- b. Based on this you can describe what you want to accomplish with your application.
- c. You should state your organisation's or your activities objectives in a clear way.
- d. You should show the grant givers that you have a significant need in your application.
- e. In your proposal, you should prove that you have enough ability and experience to reach or accomplish your goal according to your application.
- f. In the application form, make sure to complete all of the required attachments.
- g. You should cover some important criteria; project purpose, why funds are needed and what will be achieved with this support.
- h. Describe what differentiates you from other grant seekers in a 'selling' way.



### 1. Proposal

- a. Presentation of the association
- b. Project summary
- c. Full Project Details
- d. Project outcome
- e. Impact

Remember, you are not alone!



### 2. Budget

- Prepare the budget for the project
- Bear in mind that some of the expenses of the project expenses might not be covered by the grant
- Be careful with the currencies



### 3. Reporting

- Final step of the grant
- Some documents you may have to present:
  - receipts or copies of them
  - list of participants for events
  - potential press cuts of events
  - evaluation forms of participants/organizers
  - detailed report of the event
- Fundamental in order to be granted the grant, or to keep it
- Sometimes you only receive part of the grant and another part is conditioned to the reporting

## **Remind!**

We have a Grants Database





