

‘Together We Act. Together We Are Europe’ communication campaign ends with fest in Cherkasy

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The nationwide communication campaign ‘Together We Act. Together We Are Europe’, conducted by the EU Delegation to Ukraine, concluded on 3 August with a final event in Cherkasy.

The campaign was launched on 3 May, coinciding with World Press Freedom Day. It aimed to showcase the crucial role of CSOs and the media in ensuring Ukraine’s resilience and recovery. The campaign also highlighted the importance of the EU’s immediate and consistent support in maintaining and strengthening civil society’s capacity and developing and scaling up its activities in the face of the challenges of war and reconstruction.

The campaign spanned the entire country, featuring mass public events,

exhibitions, discussions, and thematic meetings held in various regions of Ukraine.

To help Ukrainian CSOs overcome the challenges of the war, the EU approved an unprecedented decision for its donor structures – to allow Ukrainian grant recipients to reorient and use previously allocated funds for the needs of defending Ukraine, saving lives, and addressing the urgent needs of the citizens as early as in February 2022.

During the full-scale war, the EU has tripled its support for civil society, reaching €101 million. To date, 56 grant projects and 1,877 sub-grant projects are being implemented in Ukraine across 15 key areas of civil society organisations and media. These projects focus on social protection and support for vulnerable groups and the military, human rights protection, support for groups with shared interests, business development and employment, strengthening amalgamated communities, promoting reforms and European integration, and ensuring the free development of independent media. The grants range from €299,000 to €10 million, with 346 projects with budgets from €500 to €639,000 implemented through regional grant programmes.

The EU provides this assistance through its strategic partners: the International Renaissance Foundation, the East Europe Foundation, the Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting, ISAR Ednannia, and CSO 100% Life Rivne Network, as well as with the strong support of the European Endowment for Democracy.

