

Facilitating Active Engagement of the Civil Society Actors in the Agro-rural Policy Dialog**Duration:** 01.03.2017 - 28.02.2019**Countries:**
Moldova**EU contribution:** € 288 000**Total budget:** € 288 000**Implementer:**ASOCIATIA OBSTEASCA FEDERATIA
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Environmental Center (MD)**Website(s):** agroinform.md/**Project description:**

The overall objective of the project “Increase the role of civil society in improving agri-rural policies” is aiming at establishing the sustainable partnerships between national and regional CSOs and due to this to increase the number and quality of organizations participation in monitoring and implementation of National Strategy for Agriculture and Rural Development.

The project will lead to improved knowledge and skills of project beneficiaries along with formation of a lucrative framework for the policy dialogue between sector stakeholders. The aspiration is to create a long-term positive effect on civil society involvement in monitoring and implementation of agri-rural policies. Also, it will aim to establish a fruitful communication on permanent base between policy makers and civil society actors; it will contribute to increasing awareness of farmers and rural entrepreneurs on the importance of participating, fostering the democracy and accountability of the government.

Expected results:

- Comparative analysis of CSOs participation in the implementation and monitoring of the agro-rural policies in EU countries and Moldova.
- 2 analytical studies on the target groups/stakeholders.
- Creating the National Rural Network for policy dialog.
- Establishing 10 Regional Platforms for consultations & monitoring NARDS indicators at local level.
- Forming 30 Local Initiative Groups at community level, which will be trained, consulted and engaged into policy dialog at all levels.
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