

Peace II Extension – All Measures Opened

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Measure Title	Measure Number	Intermediary Funding Body	Closing date
New Skills and Opportunities	Measure 1.3	PROTEUS	21 Sep 2005
Positive Action for Women	Measure 1.5	Training for Women Network	30 Sep 2005
Rural Reconciliation and Regeneration	Measure 1.11	Rural Development Council	30 Sep 2005 (first call)
Reconciliation for Sustainable Peace	Measure 2.1	Community Relations Council	22 Aug 2005 Project and Capital build
Developing Children and Young People	Measure 2.2	YESIP	03 Oct 2005 (first call)
Pathways to Inclusion, Integration and Reconciliation of Victims	Measure 2.4	Community Foundation for Northern Ireland	No closing date as yet
Developing Low Community Capacity and Promoting Active Citizenship	Measure 2.7		No closing date as yet
Developing Cross-border Reconciliation and Understanding	Measure 5.3	Cross-Border Consortium	No closing date as yet
Promoting Joint Approaches to Social, Education, Training and Human Resource Development	Measure 5.4		No closing date as yet

Measure 1.3 New Skills and Opportunities PROTEUS

PROTEUS is inviting applications from organisations interested in developing and delivering projects which will increase people's employability. Actions to be supported under Measure 1.3 may include:

1. Actions to promote transition to the knowledge-based economy, particularly in key areas such as information and communications technology, software engineering and multimedia applications;
2. Actions to respond to other skill demands stimulated by peace;
3. Actions to improve better linkages between SME's and other providers of third-level education and training;
4. Actions to provide skill enhancement and training, which promotes access to employment and career development;
5. The encouragement of employment practices which allow the achievement of a balance between work and life outside of work;
6. Innovative vocational training activities at various levels to assist disadvantaged groups;
7. Education and training initiatives for both young and older people from economic and social black spots and marginalised communities;
8. Support for confidence-building actions and basic skills development;
9. Actions to improve the level of basic skills across the working population, particularly those who have been affected by the conflict and those whose existing employment is threatened.

Applications must be submitted by 5 pm on Wednesday, 21 September 2005

However, they would encourage applicants to submit their Part B forms as early as possible and not to wait until the closing date for submissions.

Staff will be available for advice from Monday 1 August 2005.

PROTEUS welcomes applications from all sections of the community, and in particular, from groups which have not previously applied, and those which have been underrepresented in the Programme to date.

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Belfast,
BT3 9JQ.

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Positive Action for Women (Measure 1.5) Training for Women Network

TWN has been appointed as an Intermediary Funding Body for the distribution of funding through the EU Programme for Peace and Reconciliation under the direction of the Special EU Programmes Body. TWN in a consortium arrangement with Playboard is responsible for distributing funds under:

Measure 1.5: Positive Action for Women; which is now open for applications.

This Measure will support activities which improve women's access to participation in the labour market and reduce the barriers. It will assist in improving further participation by women, support entrepreneurship, out of school provision and develop women's access to emerging work opportunities deriving from peace.

Applicant guidelines and information on eligible activities can be obtained from http://www.twnonline.com/up/pdf/esf_app.PDF To aid with the application process a variety of recruitment clinics will be held in the following venues. Contact TWN for more information.

The closing date for application forms is 4.00pm on 30 September 2005.

For further information please visit:
www.twnonline.com

To request an information pack please contact their application hotline:
Tel: 028 9031 9888/9080 3380

Training for Women Network
Unit 10b Weavers Court
Linfield Road
Belfast,
BT12 5GL

Rural Reconciliation and Regeneration (Measure 1.11) Rural Development Council

The Northern Ireland Rural Development Council (RDC) launched the opening of Measure 1.11 of the EU Peace II Extension Programme on 30 June 2005. The RDC Measure specifically focuses on support to rural communities and over the extension period will see a further £5.5 million (€8m) investment in Northern Ireland's rural areas.

The Measure is initially targeted at the voluntary and community sector as part of the Rural Development Programme for Northern Ireland and offers financial assistance for rural communities engaging in peace-building, social inclusion and rural regeneration projects which meet the objectives and priorities of the Programme.

The Measure will close for applications at 4 pm on Friday 30 September 2005. There will be a second call for applications in 2006 to ensure adequate access to the programme and funding.

Further information on the Measure, how to apply and details of the funding support available can be accessed from the RDC website:

<http://www.rdc.org.uk/rdc/peace2ext.asp>

Rural Development Council
17 Loy St
Cookstown
Co Tyrone
BT80 8PZ

Email: info@rdc.org.uk
Telephone: 028 8676 6980

Reconciliation for Sustainable Peace (Measure 2.1) Community Relations Council

The Community Relations Council (CRC) wishes to invite applications from organisations interested in developing and delivering peace-building and reconciliation projects across Northern Ireland.

The objectives of this Measure are:

- To provide opportunities for civil society to promote reconciliation and peace-building efforts.
- To encourage communities in areas which had previously experienced violence and polarisation to develop strategies and activities, which promote reconciliation as a means to sustaining peace.
- To contribute to making Northern Ireland and the Border Region a more outward and forward looking region by developing networks of co-operation on a cross-sectoral basis and encouraging a structured approach to participation in wider European and international networks.

This Measure will be opened on a tranche basis over the next nine months for various elements of project activity. CRC is currently inviting applications for:

- **Project Funding (c£3.75 million)
Closing Date: 22 August 2005**
- **Capital Build (c£750,000)
Closing Date: 22 August 2005**

Application forms and further guidance notes can be obtained by contacting:

Eileen Deacon on 028 9022 7500

E-mail: edeacon@community-relations.org.uk

Website: <http://www.community-relations.org.uk>

European Programme
Glendinning House
6 Murray Street
Belfast
BT1 6DN

CRC would particularly welcome applications from groups who have not previously applied, especially from those under-represented within the Peace II Programme. In this context we note that in some funding Measures there is an under-representation of applicants from Protestant working-class areas, isolated rural communities and ethnic minority groups. All applications will be assessed on merit against standard criteria.

Developing Children and Young People (Measure 2.2)

YESIP

The Youth Education Social Inclusion Partnership (YESIP), on behalf of the Department of Education, seeks new applications from groups and organisations under Measure 2.2 of the Peace II Extension Programme. The Youth Education Social Inclusion Partnership is a consortium of twelve partners from within the Northern Ireland Education Service.

This Measure aims to target those groups of children and young people who are at greatest risk of social exclusion and marginalisation both in schools and the youth sector. Measure 2.2 tries to address that exclusion by enhancing their long term life chances and improving their employability through education and training support which is additional to mainstream provision. The target age group is 13-18 in the formal education sector and 13-25 in the non formal education sector. An element of minor capital support for those projects selected is also available through Peace II funding.

Complete your Part A online by clicking on the Part A Registration or contact YESIP to receive a MS Word version by email or a paper copy by return of post.

- **Formal Sector (schools etc) contact SELB at (028) 3741 5404 or 3741 5405.**
- **Non-Formal Sector (youth clubs etc) contact YouthNet at (028) 9023 7744.**

You can also access additional information on the Measure and dates/venues for information sessions by visiting the YESIP website www.yesip.org or by emailing peace2applications@selb.org

The first Call closes on Monday 3 October at 4.00 pm

Youth Education Social Inclusion Partnership
3 Charlemont Place
The Mall
Armagh,
BT61 9AX.

A second and final Call will be made in January 2006 with a final closing date in March 2006 (exact dates still to be confirmed).

Pathways to Inclusion, Integration and Reconciliation of Victims (Measure 2.4)

Community Foundation for Northern Ireland

The Community Foundation for Northern Ireland has been selected as an Intermediary Funding Body (IFB) for the extension of the EU Programme for Peace and Reconciliation. The Foundation has responsibility for allocating and administering grants under:

Measure 2.4:

Pathways to Inclusion, Integration and Reconciliation of Victims

- Main Grants Programme

Main Objectives

- To build the capacity of individuals and communities to deal with the transition to peace by identifying and providing for skills gaps which may impede it.
- To promote a labour market open to all by continuing work started under the Peace I Programme , promoting the resocialisation, integration and inclusion of the target groups including victims of the conflict and their families, ex-prisoners and their families, displaced persons, former members of the security and ancillary services and young people, women and older workers.

Indicative grant levels

- Normally up to £50,000 per annum for Measure specific programmes until the 30 June 2008 at the latest
- A smaller number of larger grants may be awarded for example to innovative and/or collaborative projects

Closing dates

There are no closing dates at this stage but closing dates which may apply at a later date will be advertised.

Developing Low Community Capacity and Promoting Active Citizenship (Measure 2.7)

Community Foundation for Northern Ireland

- Main Grants Programme and Small Grants Programme

Main Objectives

- To stimulate and support community involvement building community confidence and cohesion
- To generate greater involvement of citizens in the governance of their communities
- To support groups funded under the Measure to develop and implement best practice in community development

- To build closer links between disadvantaged communities, policy makers, politicians and wider civic society
- To develop active citizenship in disadvantaged communities

Indicative grant levels

Main grants

- Normally up to £50,000 revenue costs per annum for Measure specific programmes until the 30 June 2008 at the latest. Accompanying capital normally up to £50,000 may also be available.
- A smaller number of larger grants may be awarded for example to innovative and/or collaborative projects

Small grants

- Up to a maximum of £10,000 over a 12 month timeframe

Closing dates

There are no closing dates at this stage but closing dates which may apply at a later date will be advertised.

Measures 2.4 and 2.7 are open for applications from **Friday 29 July 2005**

Application packs and guidance notes for each Measure will be available from: www.communityfoundationni.org

E-mail: peace2@communityfoundationni.org

Telephone: 028 90245927.

Community Foundation NI
Community House
Citylink Business Park
Albert Street
Belfast
BT12 4HQ

To apply for a main grant under either Measure, a Part A must be submitted online at www.euqrants.org

Developing Cross-border Reconciliation and Understanding (Measure 5.3) Cross-Border Consortium

Examples of cross-border actions supported under Measure 5.3 include:

- Community based initiatives; particularly those targeting marginalised and vulnerable groups which involve inclusion, confidence building, counselling and service provision;
- Social partner organisations and voluntary and community sector co-operation strategies and projects, especially those linked to the economic renewal and social, economic and potential transition themes of the Programme;
- Collation and dissemination of good practice which will help sustain cross-border work in the long term.

Promoting Joint Approaches to Social, Education, Training and Human Resource Development (Measure 5.4) Cross-Border Consortium

Examples of cross-border actions supported under Measure 5.4

- Training, education and counselling initiatives that facilitate and improve access to the labour market;
- Information and specific activities that will facilitate and promote cross-border job mobility;
- Projects that encourage networking of communities to promote equal opportunities for all in accessing the labour market.

Further information, application form and guidance notes are available from any of the consortium partners or by visiting www.eugrants.org

The Cross- Border Consortium comprises of

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E-mail: info@adm-cpa.com www.adm-cpa.com

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