

# EU supported projects in the Western Balkans and our Southern and Eastern Neighbourhood



**LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND:  
END VIOLENCE  
AGAINST WOMEN  
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Violence against women and girls is one of the most widespread Human Rights violations. The EU protects women and girls from gender-based violence and works with partners worldwide to put an end to it. Below, you will find some examples of EU supported projects in the Western Balkans and our Southern and Eastern Neighbourhood.

## ALBANIA

In Albania, the EU supports “A roof for Roma women” association. Every day, Roma and Egyptian women and girls living in Tirana seek help to find employment, learn about their rights, and how to defend them. The association is run by Orkida Driza. Orkida’s association is one of 20 Roma and Egyptian civil society organisations that have been supported with EU grants.

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## BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

In July 2017, the EU-supported “Center for Better Society” was opened in Ljubija, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Run by the local Caritas branch of the Banja Luka Diocese (in partnership with Caritas Austria) the centre provides a safe environment that supports the personal development and empowerment of women.

 <http://europa.ba/?p=50904>

## MONTENEGRO

In Montenegro, the EU actively supports the “Gender Programme”. The aim of the action is to strengthen the support for victims of violence. Montenegro is also a beneficiary of the joint regional programme by the EU and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women “Implementing norms, changing minds”.

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## SERBIA

In Serbia, the EU supports the “Raise Voice for Silent” project. The overall objective of the action is to contribute to the promotion of women’s fundamental right to life and prevention of femicide through identification of security risks and more efficient proceedings to protect women.



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## TURKEY

Women with disabilities are more likely to be victims of violence. In Turkey, the EU supports the project “Double Disadvantage: Supporting Right Based Advocacy for Women with Disabilities”. The aim is to increase the capacity of women with disabilities who have experienced gender based violence.



[www.engellikadin.org.tr](http://www.engellikadin.org.tr)



<https://youtu.be/Wy89f4YWdOU>

With the EU Facility for Refugees in Turkey, the EU ensures that the needs of refugees and host communities are addressed in a comprehensive and coordinated manner. In Ankara, the EU supports the “Generation Found” project that focuses on the prevention of violence and abuse of women and girls.



<http://europa.eu/!Wk93by>

## ALGERIA

In Algeria, the EU supports the “No à la violence” project that aims to raise public awareness about the devastating effects of gender based violence.



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## EGYPT

In Egypt, the EU and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women support the “Securing Rights and Improving Livelihoods for Women” project. It aims to raise awareness about sexual harassment in public spaces. As part of this initiative, ‘Tuk-Tuk’ (auto rickshaw) drivers have contributed to change gender perceptions about gender equality and women’s rights, and to start a public debate about sexual harassment in public spaces.



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## ISRAEL

In April 2017, the EU Delegation to Israel together with local NGO El Halev, hosted a free outdoor self-defence and empowerment event for women and teenage girls in Tel Aviv. Participants and passers-by joined in to learn basic female empowerment techniques for responding to violence or harassment.



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## MOROCCO

In Taza, Morocco, the EU has supported the creation of a space for women and children who have been victims of violence. The space provides protection and psychological support. Hanane, one of the beneficiaries says: "Ever since I arrived here, my life has changed. They have welcomed me with my baby. I have received psychological support. I also had the opportunity to have a professional training on embroidery so that I can live with my son in dignity."



<http://europa.eu/!tv43RX>

## GEORGIA

In Georgia, the EU supports the "Unite to Fight Violence against Women" project. Implemented by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, the action responds directly to the women's rights and gender equality commitments undertaken by the Government of Georgia. It is aimed at creating an enabling legislative, policy and service delivery environment in the country.



<http://bit.ly/2AXnEov>

## MOLDOVA

In Moldova, the EU supports the "Anti-Violence Horoscope" campaign which aims to raise public awareness about the issue of domestic violence and helps victims to find legal protection mechanisms and alternative assistance.



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