

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROJECT CONCEPT NO 6

**SPREADING DEMOCRATIC IDEAS THROUGH THE EMPOWERMENT OF
INDEPENDENT MEDIA**

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE PROJECT	
1. Partner country (-ies)	Belarus
2. Area(s) of cooperation	Democracy and civil society
3. Project description	
3.1. Project aim	To contribute to the provision of reliable information to the Belarusian public by supporting independent Belarusian media outlets and journalists.
3.2. Project objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Providing objective and verified information to the Belarusian public on developments in the country and the region, in particular in the context of Russia's war against Ukraine. 2. Strengthening citizenship, promoting democratic ideas, and creating civic engagement initiatives.
3.3. Target group(s)	Independent media, journalists and youth of Belarus
4. Estimated duration of project implementation	Up to 24 months
5. Additional information <i>Where available, indicate additional evaluation criteria** for project applications to be drawn up according to this project concept, or other information important to applicants.</i>	- Experience in implementing projects of similar nature.

**According to Paragraph 35 of the Description of the Procedure for the Implementation of Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid Activities by State and Municipal Institutions and Agencies approved by Resolution No 278 of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania dated 26 March 2014, an application can be assigned additional scores for compliance with the additional project application evaluation criteria indicated in the institution's call. The additional criteria may be provided for if a specific development cooperation activity is planned in the call or if specific abilities or experience are expected from the applicants.*