WORKSHOP FOR NGOS

Some Lithuanian NGOs have been working in Ukraine, already have connections or partner organisations. Others have no such experience, however, in the circumstances of a full-scale war, they are open to the possibility of expanding their scope of work to Ukraine.

In order to foster new connections and facilitate collective thinking, Create Lithuania team organised a workshop, as it is essential to consult leading Lithuanian NGOs actors to have a better understanding of what are their fields of interest and capacity.

Three main topics of major interest have been chosen from the Ukraine Recovery Plan:

- 01 Educational system
- 02 HealthCare system
- 03 Social policy

In the event NGOs:

Shared their experience and fields of expertise

Brainstormed on the possible topics for future projects together

On the following table the results of the session are presented, organised by general topics with its subtopics and the ideas expressed by Lithuanian NGOs.

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The following table is the summary of the workshop ideas in English.

Topics	Sub-topics	Project ideas
Networking		Platform that would allow LT and UA organisations to discover each other, find common ground, and start some projects together
	Access to funding	Financing bigger UA organisations, that could afterwards regrant smaller organisations; first pilot projects in a couple of oblasts, then expanded to others
Monitoring		Policy, social security provision monitoring
	Administration	Project management, monitoring and administrational support and sharing best practices
		Watchdog support - monitoring municipalities and other institutions on how they deal with public spending, increasing and supervising transparency in rebuilding
	Advocacy	Supporting advocacy for community services provision in regional and national levels

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Human rights		Include a significant section of human rights in Ukraine's Recovery Plan
		Educating people on human rights issues through cultural podcasts
	Poverty reduction	Meetings of people experiencing poverty, organised in different regions
		Including people in poverty into decision making in public sector
		Supporting establishment of an umbrella organisation for poverty reduction organisations
	Social rights	Care reform
		Expansion of care services, employment
Post-war reintegration		Creating post-war civil society in UA - by integration of migrants, ones that stayed, IDPs, people of different ethnicities, who live in UA, especially russian speakers

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Education	Life-long learning	Developing a life-long learning system which is not only a freetime activity, but an outlet for cultural integration, social inclusion and psychosocial health; sharing LT best practices in this field with UA
		Creating communities between children and adults through long-term exchange programs and summer camps
		Creating work methods with parents and children together
		Developing sustainability practices
	Digitalisation	Digitalisation of educational content and tools
		Teaching digital literacy
	Children	Creating a system for children with special needs, that should be addressed through providing professional assistants

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		Building platform for making friendships, such as Big Brother, Big Sister program model
		Developing non-formal education through financing so that every child could choose at least one program free of charge
		Fighting bullying
		University level cooperation
Psychological health		Visits from doctors-clowns that improves childrens' emotional health
		Trainings for doctors on the topic of strengthening childrens' emotional health, humor relief
		Trainings for medical personnel on how to relax
		Using art for self relaxation and stress relief through the establishment of long-term practices

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		Suicide, self-harm and addiction prevention information, identification programs
		Immediate, contact-based support for the victims of domestic violence
	Health education	Educating on what is trauma and how to identify, understand it
		Educating on medication and consumption safety
	Hotline for psychological support	Hotline for doctors
		Hotline for grieving, ones that lost family members
		Hotline for supporting the reintegration of returnees that had left Ukraine
		Hotline for recently de- occupied regions

Topics	Sub-topics	Project ideas
		Expanding the hotline system in UA
Safety and security		Supporting psychological health of returning soldiers and other military personnel
		Educating civilians to identify and avoid landmines