



# CREST Resource Center ®

## *WHO ARE WE*

The CREST Resource Center is a nongovernmental organization established in the year 1998, with the mission to contribute to the sustainable development of the Romanian civil society. Having at the base the principle of the strategical approach of the developmental needs of it's beneficiaries, the organization implements activities, projects and programs according to it`s objectives.

## *HISTORY*

Democratic society requires the existence of active, responsible citizens, and a strong non-profit sector. To achieve this ideal enthusiasm and good ideas are not enough if there's a lack of necessary means to make them worth. The need, to find an answer the questions „How?“ and „Wherewith?“, led to the establishment of CREST in 1998 as the programme of Hygeia Foundation, a Resource Center designed to meet, through forming and informing, the requirements of nongovernmental organizations, state institutions and economic agents.

In October 2002 at the initiative of the parent organization, Hygeia Foundation, CREST has acquired legal personality. Activities, CREST projects and programmes initiated until 12.2002 were completed under the Hygeia Foundation, those started from 2003 completed under the tutelage of Association CREST Resource Center.

The activity of the CREST Resource Center is sustained financially by the CREST Ltd society.

## *MISSION STATEMENT*

CREST Resource Centers mission is to contribute to the sustainable development of the Romanian civil society.

## *VISION*

The vision of CREST Resource Center is a community in which the public, the business, and the civil sector cooperates for the good of citizens, in the spirit of democracy values.



## **OBJECTIVES**

The major objectives of the Center are:

- Promoting, development and complete activities, projects, programmes aimed at sustainable development of Romanian society
- Strategical development of nongovernmental organizations
- Improving the public image of the civil sector as a whole, in order to attract the support and involvement of the all community;
- Development of the for profit sector for sustaining the civil sphere by this sector
- Support and sustain the development of public authorities and state institutions capacity, to solve community problems

## **PRINCIPLES**

The principles that are on the basis of CREST activity are:

- Continuous development of the organization and continuous improvement of activities and completed projects quality
- Strategic approach of development needs
- Egal chances to acces development resources
- Avoiding any ethnic, religious, geographical, political or other discrimination among the organization beneficiaries
- Collaboration and mutual support with other similar organizations from country and abroad

## **RESOURCES**

The organization has the necessary resources (spaces, equipment, apparatus, specific technical and logistic supply) to perform the activities. The Center has a variable number of employees (more than five people on average) and collaborates with more than 40 specialists and experts in the domains in which offers professional expertise to their beneficiaries.

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

CREST Resource Center implements an integrated management system of quality / environment / safety and health at work as required by the standards ISO 9001:2008, ISO 14001:2005 and OHSAS 18001:2008.





## **MEMBERSHIPS**

**CREST Resource Center is member of:**

- **Romanian NGO Platform (FOND) *www.fondromania.org***
- **Network of Active Organizations in Community Development RURALNET *www.ruralnet.ro***
- **Federation of Hungarian Nongovernmental Organizations from Transilvania *www.civilportal.ro***
- **Joint Monitoring Committee for Joint Operational Hungary-Slovakia-Romania-Ukraine Programme 2007-2013 *www.huskroua-cbc.net***
- **County Commission in Equality Between Women and Man Domain – Satu Mare**

## **ACTIVITIES**

**In order to achieve its objectives, CREST Resource Center is implementing activities, projects and programs. In addition to its projects, the Center is involved as partner in projects carried out by other nongovernmental organizations or public institutions from Romania and other states.**

**Beneficiaries of the Center are civil organizations, public authorities, state institutions, private companies, and individual persons.**

**The financing of this activities is realised from internal and external grants and by own resources.**

**Sectoral domains covered by the Center's activities and projects: agriculture, crossborder cooperation, culture, community and regional development, small and medium business development, human resource development, education, gender, infrastructure, environment protection, health, social, youth, tourism.**



### ***THE CREST RESOURCE CENTER ACTIVITY IN NUMBERS***

- realizing 320 seminars and trainings in 42 topics
- establishing a network of 22 community Resource Centers of TeleCenter type
- realizing 24 informing campaigns
- editing 187 promoting and presentation publications (leaflets, flyers, guides, brochures, catalogs, etc.)
- organizing five editions of North West Regional Forum of NGOs (1998-2002)

**The Center has a portfolio of over 80 recommendations regarding carried out activities, projects and programs from founders and public/ private beneficiaries.**

**The CREST Resource Center activity can be reflected by the press file of the organization, which contains a number of over 1.000 articles appearing in over 110 typed and electronic publications in Romania and Hungary in the period of 1998-2015.**





## **COMPLETED PROJECTS**

In 15 years of activity CREST Resource Center implemented as principal applicant or partner of other organizations over 65 projects / programmes of internal or external grants with a total budget of 6.000.000 euro. The main financier of these projects was: European Union (Programmes RO0007, RO0008, Access, Phare 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, FSE POSDRU 2007-2013), Romanian Government, World Bank, Stability Pact for South-East Europe, Carpathian Foundation, Soros Foundation, Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, German Marshall Fund, Royal Netherlands Embassy Bucharest, Ministry of Labor, Family and Social Protection.

The list of the main projects implemented by CREST Resource Center from 1998 till nowadays (title of project / programme; concerned major fields; main founder):

- Project „RUXIND - CONTRACTED HUMAN RESOURCES, QUALIFICATION IN THE FORMER INDUSTRIALIZED LOCALITIES” (human resource - quality) - FSE POSDRU 2007-2013
- Project „SKILLS FOR QUALITY IN HETHCARE AT EUROPEAN LEVEL - QUALIMED” (medical - quality) - Lifelong Learning Program
- Project „CROSS-BORDER CULTURAL BRIDGE FOR SOCIAL INCLUSON” (social - cultural) - Hungary-Slovakia-Romania-Ukraine ENPI CBC Program 2007-2013
- Project „SUPPORT NETWORK FOR PROFESSIONAL TRAINING OF THE EMPLOYEES IN MEDICAL DOMAIN IN HEALTH MANAGEMENT, QUALITY MANAGEMENT, INFORMATIONAL AND COMMUNICATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES - RUXMED” (human resource - quality) - FSE POSDRU 2007-2013
- Project „SAFE AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT FOR THE EMPLOYEES WORKING IN THE ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS DOMAIN” (health and safety in work) - FSE POSDRU 2007-2013
- Project „BEING UNITED AND ACTIVE FOR COMMUNITY” (preschool education) - CEE Trust
- Project „ACCES FOR ALL TO LIFE” (chance equality) - Facilitation Transition Program 2007
- Project „CROSSBORDER PARTNERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY” (crossborder cooperation) - Phare Tacis

- Project „EDIT FOR CIVIC EDUCATION: "I TEACH, I DEDUCE, I PARTICIPATE, I TRANSFORM" (civic education) - Phare 2006
- Project "STRENGTHENING CIVIL SOCIETY - NATURE PROTECTION" (environment protection) - CEE Trust for Civil Society
- Project „THE DEVELOPMENT OF MEDIATION AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR THE WORK FORCE FROM SATU MARE COUNTY" (human resource development) - Phare 2005
- Project „PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES - WORK FORCE FOR A COMPETITIVE ECONOMICAL MARKET" (human resource development) - Phare 2005
- Project "EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR HUMAN RESOURCES FROM RURAL COMMUNITIES" (human resource development) - Phare 2005
- Project „QUALIFIED HUMAN RESOURCES - BASIS OF THE LOCAL AND CROSSBORDER ECONOMY DEVELOPMENT" (romanian-ukrainian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2005
- Project „PROMOTION OF THE TRADITIONAL MULTICULTURALISM THROUGH RURAL CROSSBORDER TOURISM" (romanian-ukrainian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2005
- Project "SUSTAINABLE NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND COMPETENCES ON SOCIAL MARKET" (civil society development) - Royal Netherlands Embassy Bucharest
- Project "TELEMEDICINE AND VIDEO-MICROSURGERY IN ESTABLISHMENT OF A CROSSBORDER REGIONAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IN REAL TIME" (romanian-hungarian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2004
- Funding programme "DEVELOPMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY" (civil society development) - SC Fornetti România SRL
- Donation programme „DEVELOPMENT OF INFORMATICAL ENDOWMENT OF CIVIL ORGANIZATIONS FROM NORTH VEST REGION" (civil society development) - Sequoia Association France
- Programme "TELECENTER - THE HEART OF COMMUNITY" (community development)
- Project „BEST PRACTICES FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR ACTIVE RURAL COMMUNITIES" (romanian- ukrainian-moldovean crossborder cooperation) - Open Society Foundation



- Project "CULTURAL GLOBALIZATION WITH IMPACT ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT" (romanian-hungarian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2004
- Project „SUSTAINABILITY BY PARTNERSHIPS WITHOUT BORDERS" (romanian-ukrainian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2004
- Project „RURALNET - A NETWORK STRONG INSIDE AND KNOWN OUTSIDE" (organizational development) - Phare 2004
- Project „QUALITY SERVICES FOR NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS" (civil society development) - Phare 2004
- Project „ECO-EDUCATION: STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF TEACHERS FOR DERULATE ECOLOGICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES" (education - environment protection) - Phare 2004
- Project „RESOURCE CENTER FOR NGOs FROM BUZĂU COUNTY" (civil society development) - Phare 2004
- Project „AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT OF ROMANIA IN THE CONTEXT OF EUROPEAN UNION INTEGRATION" (microregional development) - Phare 2004
- Project „COMPANIES AND EMPLOYEES SECURITY FOR COMPETITIVENESS IN EUROPEAN SOCIETY" (quality management) - Phare 2004
- P Project „ESTABLISHMENT OF ROMANIAN-HUNGARIAN CENTER OF TRAINING AND INNOVATION FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES AND LAUNCH THIS BY PILOT PROJECTS" (romanian-hungarian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2004
- roject "SPECIALIZATION AND MANAGERIAL SKILLS FOR EMPLOYESS OF FORNETTI ROMANIA LTD" (organizational development) - Phare 2003
- Project „1% FOR NGOs" -PROMOTING CAMPAING OF FACILITIES OFFERED TO NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS BY THE NEW TAX LAWS" (civil society development) - Carpathian Foundation
- Project "DEVELOPMENT OF CIVIL SECTOR BY CROSSBORDER COOPERATION" (romanian-ukrainian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2003
- Project "TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING FOR VILLAGES, ASSOCIATIONS OF VILLAGES AND AREAS IN BOTOȘANI COUNTY" (community development) - World Bank
- Project „DEVELOP ROMANIAN-HUNGARIAN INTERREG PROJECTS" (romanian-hungarian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2002
- Programme „ASSESSMENT OF RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES UNDER REGIONAL INSPECTIONS OF ARAD, MUREȘ AND SATU MARE" (organizational development) - Ministry of Labor, Family and Solidarity
- Project "QUALITY AND CREDIBILITY FOR A DEVELOPED EUROPEAN SOCIETY" (romanian-hungarian crossborder cooperation) - Phare 2001-2002
- Project "COMPETENCE AND CIVIC PARTICIPATION IN SOCIAL POLICY DRAWING UP " (community development) - Phare 2001
- Project "CITIZEN PARTICIPATION - BASIS OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT" (community development) - Phare Acces RO0008
- Projects "TOGETHER - TOGETHER FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT" AND "COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT BORDERS " (romanian-hungarian crossborder cooperation) - Phare RO0008

- Project "QUALIFIED HUMAN RESOURCES - BASIS OF AN ECONOMICAL COMPETITIVE MARKET " (community development) - Phare RO0007
- Project "FORMING THE HUMAN CAPITAL - BASIS OF COMPETITIVENESS OF NUTRISAM COMPANY" (organizational development) - Phare RO0007
- Project "HUMAN RESOURCE - THE MOTOR OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT" (community development) - Phare RO0007
- Project "COUNTY CENTER OF MANAGERIAL AND CONTINUOUS TRAINING" (organizational development) - Phare RO0007
- Project "AGROTOURISM - THE PERSPECTIVE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT" (community development) - Phare RO0007
- Project "THERE'S A NEED FOR YOU!" (civil society development) - Phare Access RO0007
- Project "COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS FOR FORMING AND INFORMING IN RURAL AREAS " (community development) - Phare RO0007
- Project "PARTICIPATIVE PLANIFICATION OR DEMOCRACY AT LOCAL LEVEL" (community development) - Stability Pact for South-East Europe
- Project "ELABORATION OF A SELF-SUSTAINING STRATEGY FOR TELECENTERS FROM PETREȘTI, GHENCI AND TÂRGU LĂPUȘ LOCALITIES" (community development) - Charles Stewart Mott Foundation
- Programme CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM "CONTACT", EDITION 1998 - 2002 (civil society development) - Phare Civil Society Development
- Project "NGOs CATALOGUE FROM SATU MARE COUNTY - 1998" (civil society development) - Phare Civil Society Development
- Project "YOUNG ROMAS - CHANCES TO ASSERT" (social protection - minorities) - Phare RO0007
- Project "I VOTE, SO I EXIST!" (democracy - civic) - National Endowment for Democracy
- Project "COMPETENCE -THE MEASURE OF AUTHORITY" (public administration reform) - Open Society Foundation





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