

## FMO PUBLIC ACCESS POLICY

The EEA Financial Mechanism and the Norwegian Financial Mechanism are guided by the principles openness and transparency at all levels of the project cycle. Accordingly, the public access policy of the Financial Mechanism Office (FMO) - which serves as the day-to-day secretariat of the two financial mechanisms - aims to make a series of proactive measures to provide access to key aspects of the financial mechanisms, and will make available documents in the following categories on [www.eeagrants.org](http://www.eeagrants.org):

- The legal framework of the financial mechanisms; including the agreements with the European Commission establishing the two financial mechanisms and the *Rules and Procedures* of both mechanisms
- *Guidelines* and *Guides* giving more detailed description of various aspects of the implementation of the financial mechanisms
- Calls for proposals in the beneficiary states that announce the availability of funds to potential applicants
- Grant decisions of the Financial Mechanism Committee (FMC) on applications that have been forwarded for appraisal by the beneficiary states to the EEA Financial Mechanism
- Grant decisions by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (NMFA) on applications that have been forwarded for appraisal by the beneficiary states to the Norwegian Financial Mechanism
- Agendas and conclusions of the FMC meetings
- Summary information, including headline financial data, on supported activities of both financial mechanisms, regularly updated throughout the life-cycle of each operation

Due to considerations of the integrity of the decision-making process, the FMO will not grant access to documents relating to specific applications during the appraisal period, but will only grant such access once the FMC and/or the NMFA have made a final decision on the application in question.

Interested parties may consult the FMO website [www.eeagrants.org](http://www.eeagrants.org) in order to gain access to documents listed in the section above. In case of difficulties with navigating the relevant sections of [www.eeagrants.org](http://www.eeagrants.org), the FMO may be contacted as per the contact details listed on [www.eeagrants.org](http://www.eeagrants.org). More details on the legal framework of the FMO public access policy are available in Annex A.

- [EFTA states Standing Committee decision no3/2005/SC](#)