**GRANT PROPOSAL SUMMARYFORM**

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| **Name of NS and/or Local Branch: Belarus Red Cross** | |
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| **Irina Malinskaya, HIV Programme Coordinator,** [**irene-mal@yandex.ru**](mailto:irene-mal@yandex.ru) | |
| **Previous activities:** | | |
| Belarus Red Cross Society is the largest public organization in the Republic of Belarus implementing humanitarian activities. One of the BRC strategic goals is improving health and life quality of the population, preventing deseases and forming a healthy lifestyle. BRC staff members and volunteers actively work in the field of prevention of socially significant diseases, including HIV-infection and forming a healhy lifestyle among the population. The Belarus RC successfully implements various programs and projects, i.e. Enhanced Access for Female IDUs to HIV Prevention and Harm Reduction Services, Support for People Living with HIV, Palliative Care for PLHIV, Support of State Programme „Tuberculosis” in the Republic of Belarus, etc.  The Belarus Red Cross has recentely successfully implemented the following programs in Belarus:  Project “Youth against HIV - strengthening the capacities of the Belarusian Red Cross in the field of HIV/AIDS education in the Brest and Grodno Regions” supported by thethe Polish development cooperation programmeimplemented by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland (2015)  In the frames of this project Belarus Red Cross conducted educational peer sessions for young people in educational institutions. These sessions were aimed at:  - raising awareness about HIV/AIDS among the youth;  - forming skills of responsible behavior;  - reducing stigma and discrimination towards HIV-positive people.  Besides trainings in the field of HIV prevention, Level I-II and courses for volunteers were organized to train peer instructors and trainers among the youth, as well as additional trainings concentrated on developing skills of volunteers were held.  Project “Regional Health Initiative for Eurasia” supported by the American Red Cross (2011 – current time).  The project has been implemented in Belarus (Gomel region Zhlobin town) since 2011.  The project goal is to improve life quality of people living with HIV through expanding access to qualitative services on prevention, care and support from specialists and immediate surroundings.    Project “Enhanced Access for Female IDUs to HIV Prevention and Harm Reduction Services” financed by the Italian Red Cross (2011 – current time).  Since 2011 Belarus Red Cross has worked to introduce gender oriented approaches in HIV prevention and harm reduction programming, to improve access to comprehensive harm reduction services for female injecting drug users (IDUs), as well as to strengthen capacity of local organizations providing services to IDUs. This work is supported by the Italian Red Cross and International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies through the project Enhanced access for female IDUs to HIV prevention and harm reduction services currently implemented in Grodno region in close cooperation with key HIV service organizations.  Moreover, Belarus Red Cross organizes actions around the country devoted to memorial dates in the context of HIV/AIDS every year. | |

**DESCRIPTION OF THEPROPOSAL**

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| **Title:Tolerance and prevention – 100%** | |
| **Location: Belarus (Minsk region, Minsk city, Vitebsk region, Mogilev region, BRC Railway branch)** | |
| **Starting date: 28 November 2015** | **Duration:6 December 2015** |
| **Objective(s):** | |
| Overall objective:  Increasing tolerant attitudes towards people living with HIV and informing at least 25000 of population about HIV prevention  Specific objectives:  - inform about epidemiological situation in Belarus;  - inform about HIV prevention meassures;  - increase tolerance towards people living with HIV. | |
| **Activities to be carried out:** | |
| Nationalaction “Toleranceandprevention – 100%” willbededicatedtotheWorldAIDSDay (1 December) and will be held in Minsk region, Minsk city, Vitebsk region, Mogilev region, and BRC Railway branch.  1. Organization of interactive venues to attract attention of passers-by (flash-mobs, dance flash-mobs, photo-sessions, informational tens, etc.). Anideaofaninteractiveactivitydependsonaplaceofconductionand the target audience.  2.DisseminationofinformationalmaterialsaboutHIV-infection, co-infections, STIs, epidemiological situation.  3. Developmentandconductionofaninformationalaction “Toleranceandprevention – 100%!” when materials on HIV prevention will be prepared.  4. Regional volunteer groups can add and enhance activities in the frames of an action in their regions with approval from a person in charge.  5.Organization of informational stands where volunteers disseminate materials and conduct quizzes and answer questions.  Results:   1. The target groups who took part in the actions acquire reliable information about HIV/AIDS and personal prevention. 2. The action participants received informational materaisl about HIV/AIDS and co-infections. 3. Attention of the target group and local communities was drawn. 4. Knowledge about HIV transmission, HIV prevention was improved among the population and vulnerable groups who took part in the actions. 5. Stigma and discrimination towards people living with HIV was reduced. | |
| **Beneficiaries (includingbothdirectandindirectbeneficiaries):** | |
| At least 25000 persons of general population  At least 150 Red Cross volunteers who took part in the actions  At least 100 persons living with HIV (closed and disclosed HIV status) | |

**FINANCES**

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| **Estimated total project cost:** | 57 000 000 | | 3 000 |
|  | (Belarussian rubles - BYR) | (€uro equivalent) | |

**Details of bank account in which the Grant Proposal award would be deposited:**

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| **Account title:** | Belarus Red Cross Society, Karl Marx Street 35 | |
| **Account number:** | 3135740099035 | |
| **International routing code:**  **(IBAN or BIC Number, SWIFT-code)** | | BLBBBY2XXXX |
| **Bank name:** | Belinvestbank (JSC) | |
| **Bank address:** | Minsk, Kollektornaya Str., 11, Code 739 | |
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**Proposal submitted by:**

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| **Date: 02.11.2015** |