



Supporting vulnerable people in Eastern Europe, Russia, Central Asia and the Caucasus

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BEARR News

BEARR's Small Grants Scheme seeks bids for projects dealing with mental health issues in our region (defined as follows: Mental health problems can affect the way you think, feel and behave. They range from common mental health problems, such as depression and anxiety, to problems such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder) **Deadline 1 February 2017**. See <http://www.bearr.org/small-grants-scheme-2017/>

Just out: BEARR Newsletter No 68. <http://www.bearr.org/newsletter-no-68/>

Conference on the development of health and welfare NGOs in the BEARR region <http://www.bearr.org/annual-conference-2016-11-november/>

Lviv conference on the integration of IDPs in Ukraine <http://www.bearr.org/conference-in-lviv/>

Annual Lecture: Prof Bowring on the Rule of Law in Russia and the Republics <http://www.bearr.org/the-bearr-trust-annual-lecture-2016/>

BEARR is seeking a volunteer to help with research on health and welfare NGOs in the UK. Please contact info@bearr.org

Events

2 March "The Soviet Economy, 1917-1991". Lecture by Prof Mark Harrison for GBRS, 7pm, Pushkin House. <http://www.gbrussia.org/lectures.php>

Grants and opportunities

Support for Russian and American cooperation in the social sphere. Deadline: 2 March. <http://usrussiasocialexpertise.org/>

Finnish programme to support Ukrainian NGOs. Deadline: 15 February. <http://www.bearr.org/embassy-of-finland-local-cooperation-fund-in-2017/>

News from the Region

ASI provides overview of new civil society laws in Russia in 2017

<http://www.bearr.org/overview-of-new-civil-society-laws-in-2017/>

Russian NGO interns invited to summer camp for disabled youngsters

<http://www.bearr.org/ngo-interns-invited-to-summer-camp-for-disabled-youngsters/>

Public Chamber discusses partnerships in the social sector

<http://www.bearr.org/public-chamber-discusses-partnerships-in-the-social-sector/>

Putin signs law on support for social service providers

<http://www.bearr.org/putin-signs-law-on-support-for-social-service-providers/>

Plans of Russia's Children's Ombudsman's Public Council for 2017

<http://www.bearr.org/plans-of-russia-s-chidren-s-ombudsman-s-public-council/>

Public Chamber submits its annual report of the state of Russian society

<http://www.bearr.org/public-chamber-reports-on-state-of-russian-society/>

State Duma to review the bill on social entrepreneurship

<http://www.bearr.org/duma-to-review-bill-on-social-entrepreneurship/>

President Putin presents awards for achievements in charity and human rights

<http://www.bearr.org/putin-presents-awards-for-charity-and-human-rights-work/>

Public Chamber to prepare action plan of measures to develop volunteering

<http://www.bearr.org/public-chamber-plan-to-develop-volunteering/>

Russian firms in no hurry to cut charity budgets in times of crisis

<http://www.bearr.org/russian-firms-in-no-hurry-to-cut-charity-budgets/>

Putin encourages maximum engagement of NGOs in social services

<http://www.bearr.org/putin-encourages-maximum-engagement-of-ngos-in-social-services/>

Federation Council suspends work on 'undesirable organisations'

<http://www.bearr.org/federation-council-suspends-work-on-undesirable-organisations/>

Draft law on SONGOs passes first reading in Duma

<http://www.bearr.org/draft-law-on-support-for-songos-passes-first-reading-in-duma/>

Presidential Administration to convene meeting about possible changes to 'foreign agents' law

<http://www.bearr.org/presidentail-administration-to-convene-meeting-on-foreign-agents-law/>

ECHR pursuing complaints from Russian NGOs about 'foreign agents' law

<http://www.bearr.org/echr-considering-complaints-about-foreign-agents-law/>

Amnesty International: Independent NGOs under threat of extinction in Russia

<http://www.bearr.org/8126-2/>

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