

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CSOs

- *To strengthen their financial sustainability not only with foreign resources but also with resources from internal donors; It is necessary to finance services from the central and local government, as well as to provide facilities to perform these services.*
- *To invest in the sustainability of CSOs staff and their qualifications;*
- *To draft protocols on the organization functioning during the pandemic caused by COVID-19, earthquakes, or other situations;*
- *To expand their work with fundraising strategies aiming to secure funds beyond the projects.*
- Strengthening the capacities of the organizations' staff on how to work during the pandemic situation is recommended.
- Networking between organizations is crucial in ensuring their sustainability.
- Diversification of financial resources and an emergency fund for the Organization is needed;
- *CSOs have to use the recommendations of CEDAW and GREVIO report, to strengthen the financial support of CSOs by the government and donors, for successful advocacy.*
- Cooperation of civil society organizations with governmental institutions seeks to re-dimension progressively. Good practices have to be shared and promoted.
- Improving the quality of training and exchange experiences on sustainability for CSO representatives.
- Increasing the number and improving the qualities of the studies on the impact of COVID -19 on the sustainability of Civil Society Organizations in Albania;
- CSOs should state in all their reports, for national and international mechanisms, the way they have addressed the need of their beneficiaries during the pandemic of COVID-19 or another crisis.
- *Sharing the achievement, good practices, and lessons learned is important at the national and regional level;*
- *The policies of the government, donors, and local authorities have to consider the sustainability of CSOs in a crisis and how important it is to fill the needs of the survivors of domestic violence;*
- *To be more oriented in providing services for the beneficiaries;*
- *To use communication as a tool to reach the victims of gender based violence and domestic violence during the pandemic situations;*