

Call for Applications
Civil-Society Gender Equality Fellowship
(1-month, Brussels)

related to
Lebanon
within the Horizon-Project
“Rethinking & Reshaping the EU’s democracy support in its
Eastern & Southern Neighbourhoods”
(SHAPEDEM-EU)

You have....

- Extensive on-the-ground-experience in & knowledge of (gender equality practices in) Lebanon acquired through professional or academic experience;
- A minimum of 2 years’ experience in on-the-ground-civil society activities (volunteering, activism, traineeships, professional experience) and/or academic background (ideally completed master’s degree);
- Demonstratable knowledge of & interest in gender equality policies in Lebanon as well as in the EU’s (democracy and/or gender equality) support practices; and
- Excellent command of English language (both writing & speaking).

You are interested in....

- Exchange & dialogue with Brussels-based EU institutions & think tanks on your working experience,
- A 1-month stay in Brussels (preferably*) as a full-time Gender Equality Fellow (remunerated with 2,000€) & with a working desk at Carnegie Europe;
- Active participation in Brussels or digital events to collect & share knowledge of local democratic practices on gender equality with our SHAPEDEM-EU partners & Brussels-based institutions as well as active networking;
- Cooperating with our extensive SHAPEDEM-EU consortium members (12 institutions & 10 countries) engaged in policy analysis, research, & civil society activities on EU support for democratic politics in the Eastern & Southern Neighbourhoods;
- Contribution to a report on Gender Equality & Democracy Support in the Eastern and Southern Neighbourhood (contribution on one of the case countries and overall picture); and
- Invitation for visa application (upon request).



The Organizers:

The **Horizon Europe project SHAPEDEM-EU** sets out to rethink, reshape, & review the EU's democracy support policies in Lebanon, Palestine, Tunisia, Ukraine, Georgia & Armenia within the EU's Eastern & Southern Neighbourhoods. We scrutinize the democracy support policies of the EU, investigating the role of EU's member states, key EU institutions, third-country actors, & international organizations, while emphasizing gender equality & digital transformations. We aim to develop a novel approach to democracy support – to be conceived as a social & inclusive practice based on shared learning among all stakeholders – for improved policy recommendations in the EU's policy toolkit.

More information: <https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101059811>

Our **Gender Equality Fellowships (GEF) contribute to this aim** by amplifying the voices of civil society representatives from Lebanon, Palestine, Tunisia, Ukraine, Georgia & Armenia, providing safe environments & forums of open exchange with EU actors & allowing for greater representation in SHAPEDEM-EU's research activities. **The GEFs foresee a 1-month stay in Brussels* during February-April 2024.** We offer a **2,000€ scholarship** per person as well as a working desk at the Carnegie Europe offices in Brussels (additional accommodation or travel costs will not be reimbursed, & therefore matching funds may need to be found individually by the fellows).

How to apply

Please compile the following:

- A cover letter in English (max. 1 page) that addresses your motivation to apply for this fellowship & introduces your main objectives of the fellowship;
- A curriculum vitae (CV) in English (max. 2 pages) including at least two references (name, role & contact details); and
- Information on your personal availabilities during **February, March and April 2024.**

In a single PDF (!) to lea.konrad@sowi.uni-giessen.de no later than **31.10.2023**.

Selection criteria

- The candidate's profile & relevant experience in civil societies related to gender equality in one or more of the indicated six countries;
- Relevant professional or academic experience related to gender equality;
- Motivation & objectives associated with the fellowship; and
- Level of English proficiency.

Your application will be reviewed by a SHAPEDEM-EU selection committee. SHAPEDEM-EU conducts an active policy for diversity & will treat all applications fairly & equally, irrespective of candidates' age, disability, race, religion & belief, gender & sexual orientation.

**Staying in Brussels for a whole month is desirable. However, we are aware of the difficulties of acquiring a visa for Belgium/the EU as well as organizing accommodation for a 1-month stay. Thus, we are generally open to a more flexible arrangement and/or remote participation, provided that equivalent participation can be ensured.*

