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Self-Evaluation

Accountability built from within the sector

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Not a technology organisation that does social good — a social organisation for which technology is a tool.

Accountability built from within

A self-evaluation tool for civil-society organisations — a complementary answer to Special Report 11/2025

Special Report 11/2025 found that, despite progress, the overview of EU funding granted to NGOs is still not reliable. Most responses to this run top-down: more control, more reporting, more oversight. FabLab Zagreb proposes a complementary approach that runs bottom-up.

Accountability isn't imposed from above — it's built from within. When the sector voluntarily records and evidences its own work, the overview becomes reliable because the sector created a credible trail, not because someone audited it from outside.

TWO STARTING POINTS

CONTROL

Starts from verification and distrust. Carried out externally, from above.

SELF-EVALUATION

Starts from trust and ownership of data. Built from within, from below.

HOW IT WORKS

Organisations continuously record activities, projects, networks, capacity and documents — each with a link to evidence (a post, photo, contract or report). From this data an annual report, a newsletter summary and a public profile are assembled automatically. Every activity is classified along three axes — reach, type and role — making organisations comparable across the sector.

PROOF OF CONCEPT • PILOTED ON FABLAB ITSELF

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CUMULATIVE
INDEX

100%

DOCUMENTATION
MATURITY

Mature
lead

ORGANISATION
CLASS

~€478k

LARGEST
PROJECT

Path to scale: **FabLab pilot** → SCOPE network (12) → STEM network (~50) → **all CSOs**

LINK TO OPINION 10/2026 • PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

The tool measures not only whether money was spent, but what impact was achieved. Evaluation respects both an organisation's historical contribution and its current state — the cumulative index and a three-year average absorb a weaker year, so one difficult year doesn't unfairly diminish an organisation with long-standing strong work.

A CONTRIBUTION, NOT A REQUEST

We are not here with a request — we are here with part of an answer to a problem the Court itself identified. The methodology is tested, the tool is working, and it is designed to be calibrated together with the National Foundation for Civil Society Development on real data.

Odgovornost izgrađena iznutra

Alat za samoevaluaciju organizacija civilnog društva — komplementaran odgovor na Posebno izvješće 11/2025

Posebno izvješće 11/2025 utvrdilo je da, unatoč napretku, pregled financiranja NVO-a i dalje nije pouzdan. Većina odgovora na taj problem ide odozgo — više kontrole, izvještavanja i nadzora. FabLab Zagreb predlaže komplementaran pristup koji ide odozdo.

Odgovornost se ne nameće odozgo — gradi se iznutra. Kada sektor dobrovoljno bilježi i dokazuje vlastiti rad, pregled postaje pouzdan jer ga je stvorio sam sektor, a ne vanjski nadzor.

DVIJE POLAZNE TOČKE

KONTROLA

Polazi od provjere i nepovjerenja. Provodi se izvana, odozgo.

SAMOEVALUACIJA

Polazi od povjerenja i vlasništva nad podacima. Gradi se iznutra, odozdo.

KAKO FUNKCIONIRA

Organizacije kontinuirano bilježe aktivnosti, projekte, mreže, kapacitete i dokumente — svaki s poveznicom na dokaz (objavu, fotografiju, ugovor ili izvještaj). Iz tih se podataka automatski sastavlja godišnji izvještaj, sažetak za newsletter i javni profil. Svaka aktivnost klasificira se po tri osi — doseg, vrsta i uloga — čime organizacije postaju usporedive.

DOKAZ KONCEPTA • TESTIRANO NA SAMOM FABLABU

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KUMULATIVNI
INDEKS

100%

ZRELOST
DOKUMENTACIJE

Zrela •
nositelj

KLASA
ORGANIZACIJE

~478k€

NAJVEĆI
PROJEKT

Put skaliranja: **FabLab pilot** → mreža SCOPE (12) → STEM mreža (~50) → **svi OCD-i**

VEZA S MIŠLJENJEM 10/2026 • OKVIR USPJEŠNOSTI

Alat ne mjeri samo je li novac potrošen, nego kakav je učinak ostvaren. Vrednovanje poštuje i povijesni doprinos i trenutno stanje — kumulativni indeks i trogodišnji prosjek apsorbiraju slabiju godinu, tako da jedna teža godina ne umanjuje nepravedno organizaciju s dugogodišnjim jakim radom.

DOPRINOS, NE ZAHTJEV

Ne dolazimo s molbom — dolazimo s dijelom odgovora na problem koji je Sud sam identificirao. Metodologija je testirana, alat radi, i osmišljen je da se kalibrira zajedno s Nacionalnom zakladom za razvoj civilnoga društva na stvarnim podacima.

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