

Funding Actions 2025-2026 - Conversations, meetings and initiatives with a view to build funding support				
Date	Description	Result	Follow up?	Staff contact
2025				
	Conversations with DCA to explore idea of joint funding application to Danish government on digital justice	Unclear		Lorenzo
Jan-March	Multiple conversations with representatives of donors like Bread for the World, PWRDF, UCC, and ELCA informing them about our work to ensure that funding continues	ELCA and PWRDF maintained funding		Lorenzo
	Development of application of CAP 2025-2029 for BfdW. 20% cut from last contract. Approval expected in July	successful		Lorenzo
	In conversation with PWRDF to renew Colombia programme (Paramos), this time with a focus on biodiversity.	successful		Lorenzo
	In conversation with PWRDF to renew Amazon programme, this time with a focus only on Brazil	successful		Lorenzo
	In conversation with PWRDF (Alongside Hope) for a new program on Indigenous rights and climate in Nepal	unsuccessful		Lorenzo
	In conversation with ELCA for a new grant, this time focused on migration in Latam in the current context	unsuccessful		Lorenzo
	Outreach and personal contact with Luminate for core support		Continue to look for opportunities to meet staff at related meetings	Philip

April and ongoing	Exploring funding opportunities for GMMP follow up work; testing a new AI tool for web searches		Different AI tools used in fundraising searches by staff	Sarah M
June	Exploring WACC Europe funding for GMMP report design	Euro 5,000 requested; so far Euro 1000 from EKIR	ultimately unsuccessful	Sara
July	Tender for a Euro4 million grant from the French Development Agency towards a consortium addressing tech-facilitated gender-based violence. Application due August 31. Have approached World Council of Churches as lead agency as they have the required capacity for the grant.	submitted but unsuccessful	Seeking to use experience and content developed in this application process with other funding opportunities	Sarah/Sara
October	EU call "Building a trustworthy social media sphere: countering disinformation on social media for young Europeans". WACC had an initial call with WACC Europe, WSCF Europe and EMW (previous partners on teh Erasmus application) and identified several other possible consortium partners. However, the size of the grant (3.1 mil. Euros) required a high capacity lead.	We approached BftW as potential lead applicant. They considered it both under their International Department and Education Department but ultimately decided that its Europe focus did not meet their policy requirements.	As GFMD was also looking to be a junior partner in the consortium, and interested to join our consortium, we let them know we would also be interested to contribute our expertise and networks if another consortium is being formed. Appreciated, but no further response.	Sara
October	Discussion with the CEO of HIVOS following an introduction by project partner Gender and Media Connect, noting a number of common priorities in gender, digital, and climate.	Maintaining connections but no concrete partnership as yet.		Philip/Sara
2026				

Jan-26	Developing programme plans and funding descriptions for Gender, Climate and Digital Justice	feeds into work on WACC strategic plan, and text into applications	draft texts complete; more detail on plans and focus needed especially for Gender	Philip
Jan-Sept 26	work with fundraising consultant Tim Fieldsend on meetings with Ford and Open Society; review of programme funding descriptions; eventual review of rebranding and strategic plan as appropriate given remaining hours in contract	efforts for a meeting still unsuccessful	continuing to look for connections; refine funding documents	Philip/Sara
Jan-Feb	discussion with Future of Life and other partners for contributions towards April digital justice symposium			
Feb	3 year project on Local Voices for Climate Justice in Brazil signed with Alongside Hope	4,000 CAD in overheads for WACC (double compared to last contract)		Lorenzo
Feb	GMMP discussion with Nordic coordinators ; plan to submit application to EU			Sarah
Feb	ongoing discussions on development of GMMP GPT (Gender AI for Newsrooms)			Sarah
Feb	WCC promotion of WACC's work to Every Woman Treaty for possible support of TFGBV social media training	call to be set up		Sara

Feb	Consideration of application to Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust (UK) under their Power and Accountability call	Provide core support along with activity grant but their eligibility criteria requires impact in the UK (even if a "pan European project" and they don't support organizations with large reserves).	In conversation with Churches Commission for Migrants in Europe in relation to ongoing project on media narratives to see if we can meet the criteria. CCME have two possible UK based partners that could be the main applicants, and complement the pan-European project. Advantages are more UK visibility and networking, impact on the full project (follow up to WACC Europe-CCME refugee media monitoring), potential of some funding to WACC core, building relationship with JRCT. (decision to apply latest mid-August, application due Sept. 2)	Sara
Feb	Seeking additional support for WACC's April symposium on Our Common Future: Advocating for Digital Rights and AI Accountability, specifically with WCC Communication, Brot fuer die Welt, and Future of Life Institute	WCC Communications will cover expenses of communicator at the event if not covered by FLI;	requesting BfdW to cover catering for day 1; Requesting FLI to cover AACC participation, and seeing "advance" on covering some of the communication elements at the symposium.	Sara
	Christian Aid conversation on support for work in the Amazon region	Pending		Lorenzo