

CODES OF PRACTICE
of foundations/donors associations and support organisations across Europe
An Overview

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Country	Name of the Organisation	Date of Code of Practice	Title of the Code of Practice	Languages	Available Online
Belgium	European Foundation Centre http://www.efc.be EFC in cooperation with the US Council of Foundations	1994 Initially drafted in 1994, revised in 1996 and 2006 November 2006 Under development	EFC Principles of Good Practice Illustrative Practice Options for Foundations Principles of Accountability for International Philanthropy	English	English: http://www.efc.be/codex/default.htm
Belgium	Network of Belgian Foundations http://www.netwerkstichtingen.be http://www.reseaufondations.be	December 2003	Basisverklaring van het Netwerk Belgische Stichtingen / Déclaration de base du Réseau de Fondations Belges	Dutch & French	Yes Dutch: http://www.kbs-frb.be/files/db/NL/Basverklaringwebsite.pdf French: http://www.reseaufondations.be/fr/decla-b.htm

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Bulgaria	Bulgarian Donors Forum http://www.dfbulgaria.org/		Code of Ethics of the Bulgarian Donors' Forum Association	Bulgarian & English	Bulgarian: http://www.dfbulgaria.org/about/view/5 English: http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/Bulgaria_en.pdf
Czech Republic	Czech Donors Forum http://www.donorsforum.cz/	2004	Code of Ethics for Foundations Code of Ethics for Foundations without endowment	Czech & English	Czech: http://www.donorsforum.cz/index.php?id=74&kat=2&lang=and http://www.donorsforum.cz/download/kodex_nadacni_fondy.doc English: for foundations http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/czech_en.pdf and for foundations without endowment: http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/czech_noendowment_en.pdf
Finland	Council of Finnish Foundations http://www.saatiopalvelu.fi/	February 2004	Best Practice in Foundation Management : Grant Giving Foundations	English & Finnish	http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/Finland_en.pdf
Germany	Association of German Foundations http://www.stiftungen.org/	2005	Grundsätze Guter Stiftungspraxis (good foundation practice)	German	http://www.stiftungen.org/files/original/galerie_vom_09.12.2005_11.26.20/Grundsaeetze_Stiftungspraxis.pdf

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The Netherlands	Association of Foundations in the Netherlands http://www.verenigingvanfonds.nl/	April 2004	Code of Conduct	Dutch	Yes Dutch: http://www.verenigingvanfonds.nl/index.htm English: http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/NL_en.pdf
Poland	Drafted by representatives of 12 organisations - members of LPO (Local Philanthropic Organisation) Network and the Academy for the Development of Philanthropy http://www.filantropia.org.pl/	September 2000	Standards of Operation of a Polish Local Philanthropic Organisation	English	Yes English: http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/Poland_en.pdf
Slovakia	Donor's Forum of Slovakia http://www.donorsforum.sk/ Association of Slovak Community Foundations http://www.komunitnenadacie.sk	2000	Donor's Code of Ethics Standards for Community Foundations in Slovakia	English & Slovak	Yes English: http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/slovakia_en.pdf Yes, English: http://www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/slovakia_CFs_en.pdf
Switzerland	SwissFoundations http://www.swissfoundations.ch/	2005	Swiss foundation Code	English German French	No
Russia	Russia Donors Forum http://www.donorsforum.ru/	2001	Code of Ethics for the Russia Donors Forum - currently under review	English & Russian	Yes English: www.efc.be/ftp/private/CODE/Russia_en.pdf

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		1991	“Quality framework” (self-assessment tool) currently under review		Available from the organisation
United Kingdom	Community Foundation Network http://www.communityfoundations.org.uk/	September 2006	Quality Accreditation standards for UK community foundations	English	Extract available online: http://www.communityfoundations.org.uk/media_centre/news_files/34.doc