



## **Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Budapest, Hungary** **Department of Global and Development Studies**

### **Partner search for Horizon Europe calls 2026-27, CL2 / WP5<sup>1</sup>**

Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) is Hungary's largest public university, located in Budapest. The Department of Global and Development Studies, an organizational unit within the Institute of Political and International Studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences of Eötvös Loránd University, is the first university department in Hungary that focuses on development studies with a global scope. Professors of the Department teach at the International Relations BA and MA programmes, both of which are offered in English and in Hungarian.

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**ELTE's Department of Global and Development Studies is looking for the possibility of joining a Horizon Europe consortium in Cluster 2 / Work Programme 5 "Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society". We are interested in contributing to proposals to the following calls:**

#### **2026 calls:**

- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-02: Understanding the forms of local democracy in low-income and low-middle income countries
- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-07: Supporting post-conflict democracy and reconstruction
- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-DEMOCRACY-09: Citizenship education as part of lifelong learning
- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-06: Making Europe a global magnet for talent - Attracting and retaining students, researchers and high-skilled workers from outside the EU
- HORIZON-CL2-2026-01-TRANSFO-08: Strengthened implementation of the EU Pact on Migration and Asylum and a focus on inclusion, integration, and health

#### **2027 calls:**

- HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-05: Development aid and democratic governance
- HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-DEMOCRACY-08: Global Human Rights and EU values
- HORIZON-CL2-2027-01-TRANSFO-08: Scaling and deploying innovations in migration management

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<sup>1</sup> [https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/wp-call/2026-2027/wp-5-culture-creativity-and-inclusive-society\\_horizon-2026-2027\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/wp-call/2026-2027/wp-5-culture-creativity-and-inclusive-society_horizon-2026-2027_en.pdf)



**Members of the project team on behalf of the Department of Global and Development Studies could include the following colleagues:**

**Béla Soltész (Head of department)**

His research focuses on processes and policies of international migration (with a Latin American and an Eastern/Central European geographic focus) and on international development policies. He used to work as a project and research manager at the Hungarian Central Statistical Office and at Menedék – Hungarian Association for Migrants in EU-funded projects (Interreg, Horizon 2020, AMIF).

**Attila Joós**

His main research interests include the modern history of the Middle East and current issues in Middle Eastern politics, mainly focusing on military conflicts, political parties, ideologies, democracy, social movements, and revolutions in the region.

**Laura Kromják**

Her research explores the intersection of migration, memory, and post-conflict reconciliation, with a regional focus on the Western Balkans and refugee diasporas. She has been coordinating an international cooperation for the publication of a book at Routledge about how culturally responsive integration, mental health support, and community-based approaches can strengthen refugee protection.

**Anna Sebestyén**

Her research areas are the EU Common Foreign and Security Policy, EU-Africa relations, EU foreign policy tools, such as restrictive measures (sanctions and aid suspension) and positive incentives. She focuses on the promotion of democracy and human rights components of EU external action, especially with relations of African countries.

**Katalin Turai**

Her research focuses on citizenship education and the issue of global human rights and European values, as well as on post-conflict reconstruction. Based on her previous research into aesthetic attention and the foundations of dignity, she observes the domain of arts as a safe space where participants can engage with each other free from official/social pressures.

**If you are interested in any type of cooperation related to the calls listed above, please contact the Head of the Department of Global and Development Studies at ELTE, Béla Soltész, at [bela.soltesz@tatk.elte.hu](mailto:bela.soltesz@tatk.elte.hu).**