

Bridgend Association of Voluntary Organisations

Your local county voluntary council



7. Finding and getting money

7.12 Specialist European Teams

Supporting the implementation of the European Structural Funds programmes 2007-2013.

What do the SETs do?

The Specialist European Teams (SETs) provide free information, advice and assistance to public, private and third sector organisations that are involved in the implementation of the European Structural Funds programmes available in Wales during 2007-2013.

Their purpose is to help to secure the involvement of existing partnerships at local, regional and national levels, to encourage collaboration in planning and project development and to generally support the development and implementation of local, regional and national projects.

Information, advice and support are available from:

- SET Outreach Workers based in Local Authority European Teams The Welsh Government; and
- WCVA's third sector European team (3-SET).

What services does 3-SET provide?

3-SET supports third sector organizations across Wales seeking to benefit from European funding with information, advice, resources and training. The 3-SET team works collaboratively with and complements the support provided by the local SET Outreach Workers and the Welsh Government by providing dedicated expertise at a national level to enable third sector organisations to contribute to the delivery of the programmes.

Who can 3-SET help?

- Any third sector organisation wanting to learn more about European funding
- Third sector organisations that are developing and managing national and regional European funded projects

- Public sector project sponsors wishing to engage third sector organisations in partnership arrangements and project delivery

What information, advice and guidance is available?

Information on European funding, including guidance notes on specific topics, can be found on the Funding Portal on www.sustainablefundingcymru.org.uk, as well as the website of the [Welsh European Funding Office \(WEFO\)](http://www.wefo.org.uk), which is responsible for managing the Structural Funds programmes in Wales.

WCVA also publishes a monthly Funding News bulletin and 3-SET publicises opportunities to tender for EU funded projects through an e-bulletin service. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, please e-mail 3SET@wcva.org.uk.

3-SET provides advice on:

- European project development, management and implementation
- Tendering and procurement
- Managing risk across your organisation
- LEAN and quality assurance
- A sustainable funding approach

What training courses are available?

- How to tender
- Project management basics for EU funded projects
- Managing risk across your organisation
- Lean and quality assurance
- Getting publicity for your EU funded project
- Measuring soft outcomes

3-SET training courses are **free** to attend for staff and volunteers of third sector organisations that can demonstrate they are involved in the development and/or delivery of European funded projects in Wales.

Who to contact

Local SET Outreach Workers

For enquiries about local and spatial projects, please contact SET Outreach Workers in the relevant Local Authority area. Contact details can be found on the '*Spatial European Team*' pages of the WEFO website.

WCVA's 3-SET Team

For enquiries relating the 3-SET services please contact the team on 029 2043 1744 or e-mail: 3SET@wcva.org.uk.

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