

## Criteria for funding

SCOOP is open to every journalist with a good idea.

SCOOP gives support to two types of journalistic investigations:

1. **National investigations** in Ukraine, Belarus, Serbia-Montenegro, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Albania, Macedonia and Moldova. National investigations involves journalists from one of the mentioned countries investigating issues and stories of relevance in their country.
2. **Trans-national investigations** involves journalists from two or more of the following countries Ukraine, Bulgaria, Romania, Belarus, Serbia-Montenegro, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Albania, Macedonia and Moldova, and covers issues of cross-border interest.

### The criteria for an application:

1. The investigation will reveal new, important information of obvious public interest.
2. The investigation is based on firm publishing agreements with at least one and preferably several mass media.
3. The investigative journalist(s) already have access to key information (relevant sources, case-stories, documents) and access to additional information is realistic.
4. The investigation will not produce unacceptable risks to the journalists / media involved.
5. The journalist(s) involved will work according to professional journalistic and ethical standards.
6. Key results of the investigation will be published within a reasonably short timeframe.
7. The journalists/editors involved in the investigation will subject their material to legal advisors before publishing to avoid unnecessary conflict with the law.
8. SCOOP has to be specifically mentioned when the articles are published. The published investigation will assist in promoting SCOOP and the networks in the local, regional or international median community.
9. The budget for the investigation corresponds with the overall parameters of SCOOP. The following items can be covered: salary, travel, access to data, access to expert assistance etc. A detailed budget must be submitted. The maximum for national investigations are 2.000 EUR.
10. A CV of the journalist applying and examples of previously published articles should be included.

11. The application should be sent to the national SCOOP coordinator in the respective country (see list) and the Danish coordinator Henrik Kaufholz, [Henrik.Kaufholz@pol.dk](mailto:Henrik.Kaufholz@pol.dk). If the journalist due to sensitivity of the material only wants to reveal the idea for the investigation to a limited group of people the application should be sent to [henrik.kaufholz@pol.dk](mailto:henrik.kaufholz@pol.dk).