

**REPORT OF THE TANODA PLATFORM
ABOUT THE EFOP-3.3.1-15
TANODA CALL RESULTS**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Review of the Report by TanodaPlatform on the Result of EFOP 3.3.1-15 Tanoda Tender



TanodaPlatform

TanodaPlatform the network of 86 tanodas

- Advocacy
- Network building
- Professional support



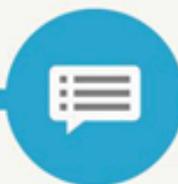
General problem of tanodas: lack of continuous financing

- Late announcement of the call
- Late announcement of the results



Supported and rejected projects

- Most of the winners have never operated tanoda before
- Most of the experienced, innovative tanodas were not supported



Problems of the call for proposal

- New surface of application tested on tanodas
- Disadvantage of civil organizations (disproportion of usable costs)



Problems of the evaluation

- Unprofessional scoring, using clichés at the evaluation
- In some cases score reductions made the implementation impossible
- Holding back the details of evaluation



Recommendations

1. Handling the problems in connection with the results of tanoda tender immediately.
2. Evolving the regulation concerning the long term maintenance of tanodas.
3. The strengthening of civil organizations and the reduction of the deficit of democracy in connection with the tender system.



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Motiváció Oktatási Egyesület (Motivation Educational Association) created the TanodaPlatform, an expert group in 2013, that has grown to be a network of 86 Tanodas. The aim of the TanodaPlatform is effective interest representation as well as facilitating the creation of network, and thirdly providing professional support and development for the work of tanodas. This report was created through the initiation of the TanodaPlatform.

Throughout the time since the accession to the European Union, calls to support the tanoda programs have been launched every 1-3 years. However, most of the tanodas usually couldn't survive the periods of no financial support between the calls. Even the organisations that could continue to function had to reduce their activities that had been started, although the success of the programs to combat disadvantages depends highly on continuity and long time-frames (see Infographic 5).

At the beginning of 2015, tanodas had great hopes for the future, as it seemed realistic that they will receive permanent financing. However, the call 'EFOP-3.3.1-15 Tanoda programs support' was launched late, after the closing of the TÁMOP-3.3.9 programs, only in October 2015. Additionally, the results of the call with an application deadline of December 31, 2015 were supposed to be public by March 2016, but the list of the winners was only announced late September 2016. Many tanodas couldn't live through this delay period. Tanodas in the Central Hungary region could apply for another scheme through the VEKOP-7.3.2-16 call. This call was announced half a year later, so the period without financing was even longer in these cases. The results are not yet known here.

Apart from the delay of results, several other serious problems can be identified regarding the evaluation of the applications. Continuation of the already functioning tanodas was a declared as an important aim among the evaluation criteria, however on the list of winners of the EFOP 3.3.1-15 call, there are mostly organisations that did not run a tanoda in the past (see Infographic 1 and 2). Only a quarter of the winners have had any experience with tanoda programs beforehand. There are a number of tanodas in Hungary that have decades of experience, and that operate in small villages mostly lived by Roma families, where they not only provide activities for the children and youth, but also compensate for the lack of cultural opportunities for the whole population of the village. Most of these reference tanodas did not win.

Part of the supported organisations, assumedly for gaining profit, planned so many projects that an organization with an experience of a decade would never take on. Especially disagreeable is the fact that part of the sources will go to organisations that, in their educational institutions, even on the locations of the won tanoda program, segregate and exclude disadvantaged and Roma pupils from their schools (see Infographic 3 and 4).



Expertise, experience, innovative approach and the perception and handling of the special relationship with the public education system got less weight in the evaluation criteria than should have been necessary in the call. However an even bigger problem is that these aspects did not appear at all in the actual evaluation process. We found these anomalies so deep, and have seen so obviously incorrect scores of evaluations (for example justifying low scores with lack of experience at organizations with 10-15 years of experience), that apart from lack of competence, it raises the allegation of negligence and/or a system of conceptual decision-making. In addition, these information were not easy to access, as the applicants could only get the detailed information about the evaluation of their application in person, having to travel to the capital. Additionally, it is against the current regulation that they were not allowed to make copies of these files – although the documents could be presented on the electronic site of the call without any additional costs.

A considerable amount of applications were rejected with the reasoning of formal and procedural issues (see Infographic 2). This high rate is caused by the fact that this call was the first where a broad circle of applicants had to apply through the new website (EPTK), with new regulations. That the system is in a test phase is also clear from the fact that the decision-makers could not enter the results data on time, and that the site is occasionally unavailable for days.

The implementation also presents difficulties for the winners. The budget limits regulated by the decree no. 272/2014. (XI. 5.) put the civil organisations into a disadvantaged position from the start as compared to public institutions, or organisations and institutes of the church, and made it harder for them to implement their tanoda program. (For example only 1% of the total budget can be used for overhead, communication costs, banking costs and maintenance, that creates a huge budget gap for independent civil organizations, which is very hard to cover during the implementation process. The aim was not to save money, as for the preparation of the application and public procurements, 6% of the total budget could be spent (see Infographic 6).

Further problems will be caused by the cutting of funds for some of the projects. The cuts are systematic, unjustified and make the projects impossible to implement in several cases. Applicants did not get information at contracting on how to handle changes in the circumstances since submission.

This report concentrates on recommendations in three fields to find solutions for the presented problems and to handle those on the long run, in the following thematic categories (short version):



1. Immediate solutions to the problems raised by the tanoda call results

- Restricted or invited call for the tanodas with past experience that did not get funding
- A quick, bridge-support by the end of October to all, currently functioning tanodas that did not receive a grant from this call
- Informing the winning applicants about changes in the implementation conditions
- Sending evaluation documents to all applicants of the EFOP-3.3.1-15 call, disrespect to their results
- Announcing the results of the VEKOP-7.3.2-16 call until 31 October, 2016, speeding up the process of contracting

2. Finding a solution to the long-term sustainability of the tanodas

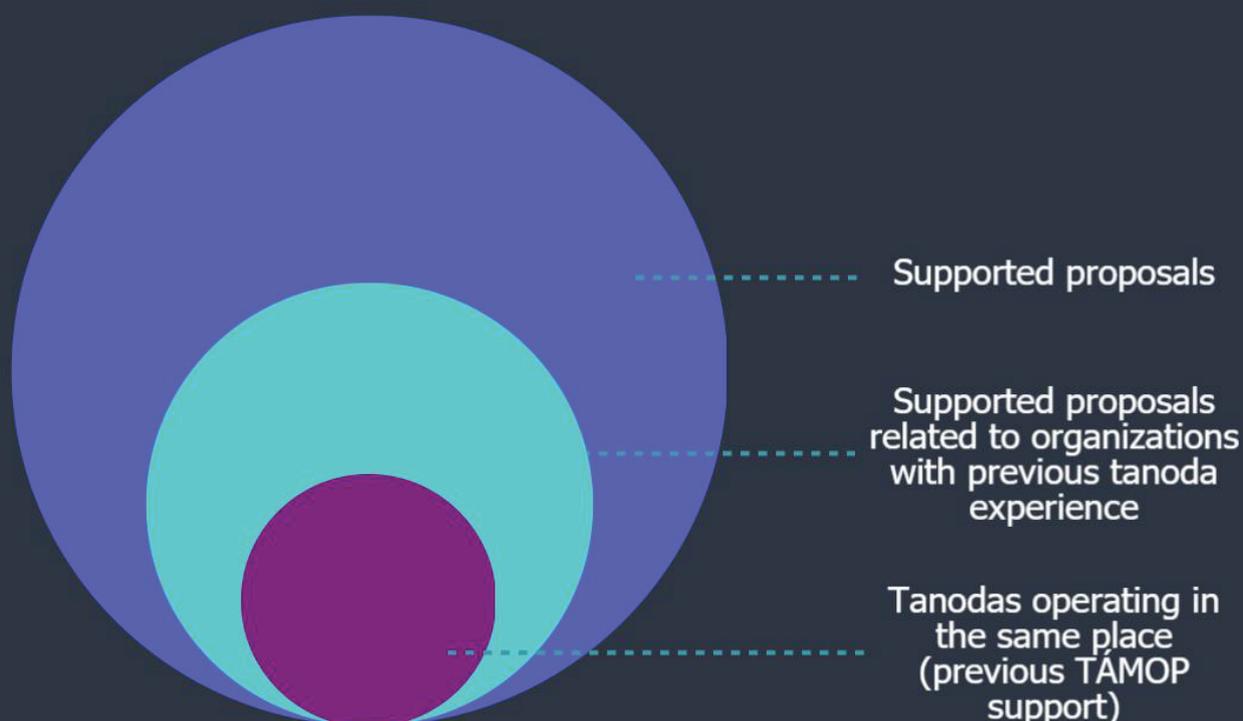
- Introducing normative financing for sustainable, predictable and continuous functioning of tanodas
- Identifying and describing the different roles and functions of tanodas and schools in order to keep the principles of the Tanoda standard, so tanodas do not function according to the aim-set of schools, and furthermore so that public education and tanoda financing system is clearly separated.

3. Strengthening the civil sector, eliminating the democratic deficit

- Creating a Tanoda Round Table, an formal forum for coordination, that gives an opportunity to representatives of the tanoda programs to follow-up the solution of the presented problems, with special attention to investigating the evaluation processes.
- To resolve some of the recognized anomalies – involving the Round Table for Anti-Segregation of EMMI (Ministry of Human Resources) – generating systematic changes to make the application system more efficient and fair.
 - Analysing the status quo and preparing a set of proposals regarding the anomalies of the application procedures that affect applicants, especially independent civil organizations, as well as limiting publicity and transparency.
 - Creating a financial reserve, so that projects can be financed even after using all of the funds of the call, in cases of approved appeals.
- Reviewing the controversial points of the decree no. 272/2014. (XI. 5.)
 - Eliminating the limits for 'other costs' and 'management costs' for project with total budgets under 100.000.000 HUF.
 - Broadening the possibilities for appeal, so that applicants can officially raise objections not only in procedural, but also in substantive (professional and financial) issues.
 - Detailed evaluation documents of all applications should be accessible for applicants on the EPTK site.

Quick Report on the Results of Tanoda Tender 1.

Review of the Results of EFOP-3.3.1-15 Tanoda Tender



Quick Report on the Results of Tanoda Tender 2.

Results of the TanodaPlatform Tanodas at the EFOP-3.3.1-15 Tender

The aim of TanodaPlatform is to create a network of tanodas, support their professional work and to do advocacy activities in their favor.



86 tanodas joined the network,
out of which 17 are not involved in this tender

Quick Report on the Results of Tanoda Tender 3.

Some of the Features of the 171 Supported Tanodas as per Maintainer (EFOP-3.3.1-15 Tender)



Proposals related to churches (33) 

Proposals related to agrarian organizations (5) 

Proposals related to schools (15) 

Proposals related to agrarian and horse keeping organizations (1) 

Proposals related to schools maintained by churches (10) 

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Organizations Applying Most Successfully on the EFOP-3.3.1-15 Tender

100 supported organizations

171 supported projects

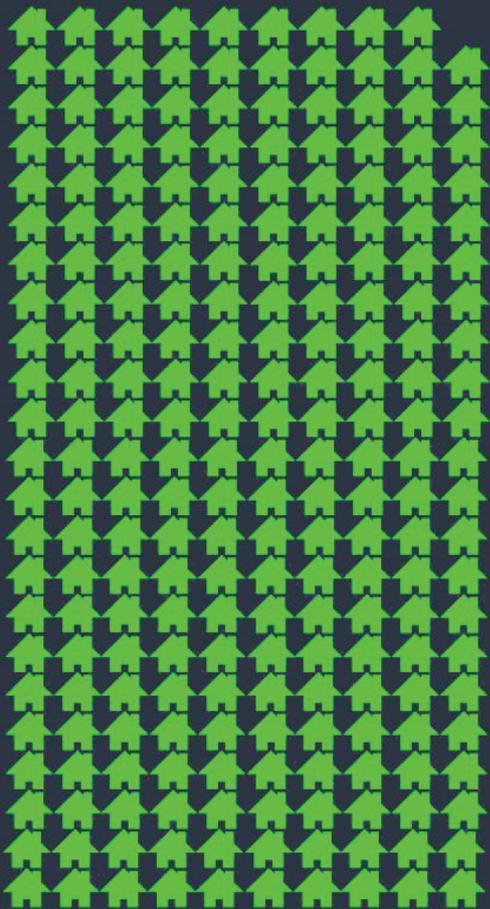


The most successful 9 organizations gained 35% of the projects. 2 of them had never operated tanoda before.

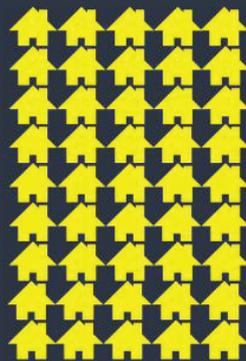
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Organizations Supported More Than Once at the Tanoda Tender

At the HEFOP, TÁMOP, EFOP tanoda tenders 283 organizations got supported all together, out of which only 9 organizations were supported three times, 45 organizations were supported twice. Most of the tanoda projects do not survive the unfinanced periods.



229 organizations got supported once



45 organizations got supported twice



9 organizations got supported three times

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Disproportion of Usable Costs



Cost of preparation
1.500.000 HUF

+

Cost of procurement
300.000 HUF



Other overhead costs*
300.000 HUF

* post, telephone, internet, maintenance, bank costs, documentation, heating, electricity, water, garbage



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