

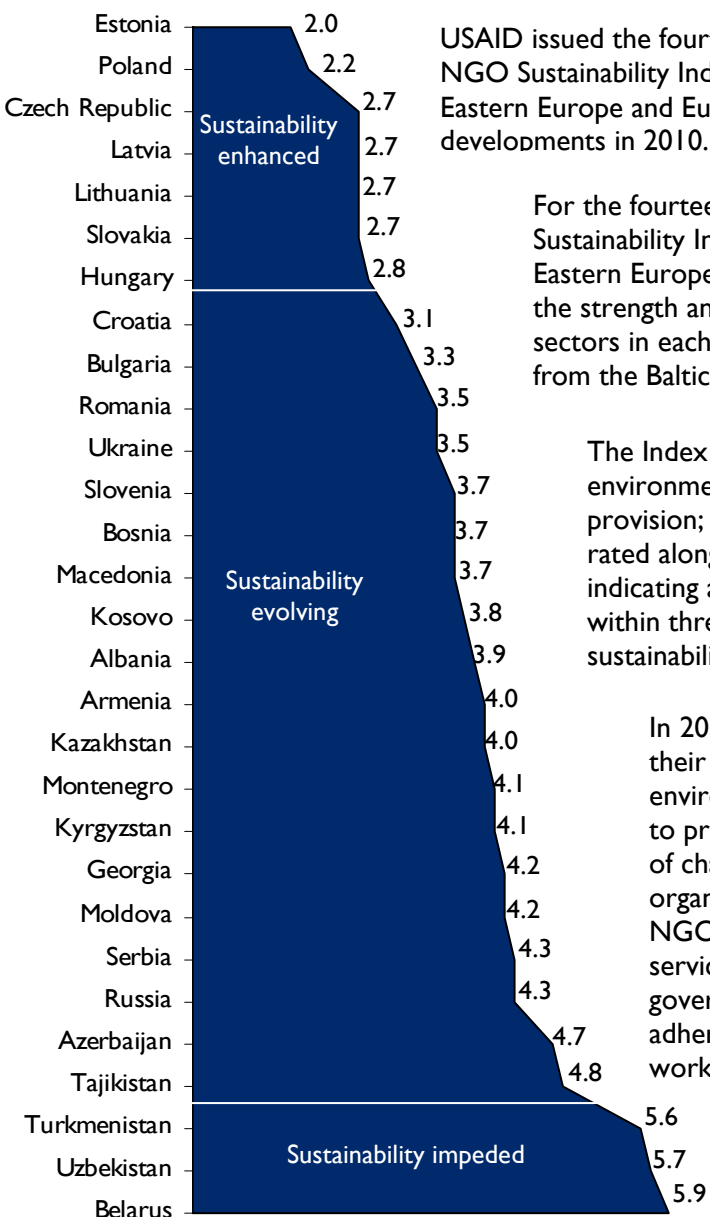


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USAID issued the fourteenth edition of the NGO Sustainability Index for Central and Eastern Europe and Eurasia, covering developments in 2010.

For the fourteenth year, the NGO Sustainability Index for Central and Eastern Europe and Eurasia reports on the strength and overall viability of NGO sectors in each country in the region, from the Baltic countries to Central Asia.



The Index measures NGO sustainability based on seven dimensions: legal environment; organizational capacity; financial viability; advocacy; service provision; infrastructure and public image. Each of the seven dimensions is rated along a seven-point scale with 1 indicating a very advanced level and 7 indicating a low-level of development. Based on their scores, countries fall within three basic stages of development in terms of NGO sustainability: sustainability enhanced, sustainability evolving, and sustainability impeded.

In 2010, NGOs across Central and Eastern Europe and Eurasia furthered their efforts to improve their societies in activities ranging from environmental education to providing input on new constitutional changes to protection of the homeless. This year's Index reflects the wide range of challenges and issues facing NGOs in the region. Financial stability and organizational capacity remain concerns for even the most established NGOs. Efforts to put in place, maintain, and keep relevant NGO support services continue with mixed results. NGOs' attempts to engage with governments, to engage with the public, and to encourage their sectors to adhere to good ethics are having more success, but are still very much works in progress.

For more detailed information and to download individual country reports and scores please go to:
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