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# Main focus areas in general

- Green energy (geothermal)
- Blue growth
- Research/innovation
- Education
- Culture
- Civil society
- Gender equality



## Cooperating with NFPs

- Where to get information from the Icelanders:
  - OS for geothermal energy
  - Rannis for research, innovation, education, culture and environment (blue and green growth)
  - Human Rights Centre for facilitating co-operation with civil society
  - In addition, MFA in Reykjavík or Mission to the EU
  - For bilateral funds, JCBF representatives



#### **Bilateral Funds**

- Strengthened efforts for bilateral cooperation with BS
- Bilateral Embassies and Ambassadors with residence in capital to play an increasing role
- Focus on strategic use of bilateral funds for cooperation on gender equality, blue and green growth (including utilization of geothermal energy and Smart Cities), facilitation of research cooperation and innovation, cultural and education initiatives not least related to youth



### Bilateral Funds (cont.)

- JCBF meetings: Possibility for teleconferences important
- Bilateral fund initiatives should take place on a mutual basis
- Important tool to strengthen friendship and political relations with your countries



### Now, let's get to work.