

APPENDIX III - GRANT

AD HOC GRANT TO THE NATIONAL REMOTE SENSING CENTRE OF CHINA (NRSCC)

LEGAL BASIS

GNSS Regulation

BUDGET LINE

020501 – EU Satellite Navigation programmes (EGNOS and Galileo)

Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results

The objective of this action is to continue to support the CENC, created under the 2003 Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States and China that will serve as a window and a link for the cooperation such as technology training, communication and experts' exchanges between Chinese and European GNSS industry and academia.

Description of the activities to be funded by the grant awarded without a call for proposals on the basis of article 190(1)(f) RAP.

CEN-C has been set up in 2003 in the context of the EU-China GNSS Agreement in order to coordinate all the training and exchange of information activities related to the satellite navigation programmes. It has therefore acquired the technical competence and the specific characteristics required for the implementation of this action in China. Its activities had been co-financed on the EU side until the end of 2009 by the Galileo Joint Undertaking and the GNSS Agency respectively. The Commission resumed co-financing of the Centre's activities in 2012.

The activities to be funded are the following:

- A help-desk for GNSS related China-Europe joint research and industrial activities;
- A focal point for GNSS communication and awareness;
- Support to coordination of joint research activities in application development;
- Support for GNSS applications events in China;
- Organisation of training courses on GNSS.

Selection and award criteria

Selection criteria

- The financial capacity of the applicant to perform the proposed activities
- The applicant's technical capacity on GNSS
- The presence in China
- Their capacity to organise training and set-up awareness activities (web site, participation to conferences)
- The ability to deploy a communication strategy in China for the European GNSS

Award criteria

- Relevance of the proposal
- Visibility
- Impact
- Quality of the proposal
- Budget and Cost-effectiveness

Implementation

Direct management

Indicative timetable and indicative amount of the grant awarded without a call for proposals

Reference	Date	Amount
Ad hoc grant for the support of the China-EU GNSS Technology Training & Cooperation Centre (CEN-C) activities in Beijing	June 2014	EUR 250.000 (for 24 months)

Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs

This grant could finance up to 70% of the eligible costs.

Indirect costs may be eligible on the basis of:

- Actual indirect costs or
- 30% of the actual eligible direct costs. The derogation from the standard flat-rate was used in the grant awarded by the Commission in 2012 and it is justified on the basis of historical data for the years 2002-2009 which ensure compliance with the conditions pursuant to 124(4) FR.