

Call for proposals (2017/C 339/07)
Support for information measures relating to the common agricultural policy (CAP) for 2018

Question 1

My questions are: If this kind of activities are eligible for application in the above mentioned call? Is our institution eligible applicant for the call?

We are public research, innovation and advisory institution established by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development. We have organized annually international film festival [...] (on national level). Target group and audience of the festival are professionals and public, including relevant group of young people (high schools, universities). Except projections, festival includes a lot of information activities for professionals (discussion with farmers, seminars, information on supporting tools for Rural Development programme), discussion and presentations at the public places (shopping malls, universities, cinemas,) and many other activities. Target group of these activities is wide, festival is widely promoted by national and regional media.

Answer:

The Commission cannot prejudge the eligibility of the activities. For detailed information please see section 6.2. of the call for proposals (2017/C 339/07) : "Eligible activities and implementation period under this call for proposals".

Question 2

Vorrei porre una domanda in merito all'invito a presentare proposte "Sostegno a favore di misure di informazione riguardanti la politica agricola comune". Vi scrivo dal Comune di [...] (Italia).

In merito al punto 6.2 - b.

- 1) Le misure di informazione devono essere attuate **sia** a livello multiregionale **sia** a livello dell'Unione Europea (in almeno due stati membri), quindi devono essere replicate in entrambi i livelli (multiregionale e europeo) **o sono alternative?**
- 2) Questo significa che è necessario avere partners a livello regionale e europeo che possano replicare le azioni? Nel nostro caso non abbiamo entità affiliate.
- 3) Nell'application form dove devono essere inserite le attività fatte dai partners regionali e europei?

Answer:

Le misure di informazione devono essere attuate sia a livello multiregionale, sia a livello nazionale sia a livello dell'Unione europea (in almeno due Stati membri). Sono effettivamente alternative.

The information measures should be implemented either at multiregional or at national or at European level (in at least Two Member states). These are alternatives.

Question 3

About Eligible applicants, in particular private companies, should they be just a communication media companies? I'm writing on behalf of [...] an active part in the implementation of the CAP by specific expertise in this field, and through LEADER - CLLD approach: can [...] be an eligible applicant as profit entity?

Answer:

The eligibility conditions are assessed at the evaluation phase, not through the Q&A during the submission phase. Please see section 6.1. of the call for proposals (2017/C 339/07) for further information.

Question 4

We would like to know if the project proposal may be submitted by a partnership between two or more organisations (one having the role of applicant). Is there the option to have co-applicants.

Answer:

The information measures under the call for proposals are mono-beneficiary actions. This means that there is one legal entity applying for a grant. Affiliated entities may take part in the action in accordance with the conditions set in the call. For further information on eligibility criteria please see section 6.1. of the call for proposals (2017/C 339/07).

Question 5

With reference to the eligible personnel costs, is person under contract with temporary work agencies or similar eligible, if the condition set in article 11.1.1 (the person works under conditions similar to those of an employee; the result of the work belongs to the beneficiary - the costs are not significantly different from the costs of staff performing similar tasks under an employment contract with the beneficiary) are met?

Answer:

Staff provided by a temporary work agency implies a contract between the beneficiary and the agency. This would qualify typically as a purchase of service or subcontracting. Consequently, such costs would not be eligible as personnel costs. However, they could be charged under other budget categories (e.g. subcontracting) if they comply with the eligibility conditions.

Question 6

Our question is on the following point:

"B. Information measures should be implemented:

- at a multi-regional or national level,
- at the level of the European Union (in at least two Member States). "

Does it mean that the project proposal may include information measures to be implemented only at regional or national level or, necessarily, at the level of the European Union?

Answer:

The information measures should be implemented either at multiregional or at national or at European level (in at least Two Member states). These are alternatives.

Question 7

We represent the non-profit organization [...]. We are based in [...] and are currently preparing a proposal for the call "support for information measures relating to the CAP" for 2018 (2017/C 339/07). We would like to kindly ask you two questions about the point 6.2.B of the call:

1. The information measures to be implemented should apply at multiregional or national level, "AND in addition" at EU level (in at least two member States)? Or we can choose indistinctly one of the options: multiregional, national or in two member states?
2. Could a non-EU member country be chosen to implement our activities at EU level?

Answer:

1) The information measures should be implemented either at multiregional or at national or at European level (in at least Two Member states). These are alternatives.

2) The overall objective of the call is to build trust in the European Union and among all citizens, farmers and non-farmers alike. The common agricultural policy (CAP) is a policy for all citizens of the EU and the benefits that it provides to them must be clearly demonstrated. Therefore only EU member states can implement an information measure.

Question 8

I am writing to you in order to be able to know if there is the possibility of receiving the "detailed description of the information measure in in Spanish language.

Answer:

The Form 3 is only in English, but it can be submitted in any of the EU's official languages.

Question 9

We would like to ask the question about the total amount of the grant support for information measures relating to the common agricultural policy. We have read that the amount of the support is 60% of the total costs of the project - we would like to confirm this information.

Answer:

The maximum grant is EUR 500 000.

For information on reimbursement of costs actually incurred please see section 11.3. of the call for proposals: "Forms of the grant".

The grant will be defined by applying a maximum co-financing rate of 60 % to the eligible costs actually incurred as mentioned in 11.3.1.

Question 10

When the grant support will be received - before the project actions or after the time they will happened ?

Answer:

The grant support is paid after the reporting periods.

A request for an interim payment may be submitted within 60 calendar days following the end of the first reporting period. For further information on interim payment please see Articles 1.4.3. and 1.5.3. of the Draft Model Grant Agreement.

In accordance with Article 1.4.4 of the Draft Model Grant Agreement a request for payment of the balance and supporting documents must be submitted within 60 calendar days following the end of the last reporting period.

For further information on the payment please see Article 1.5.4 of the Draft Model Grant Agreement.

Question 11

Referring to the CALL FOR PROPOSALS 'Support for information measures relating to the common agricultural policy' (CAP) for 2018 (2017/C 339/07) we would like to receive elucidation for the following question:

Could a partnership made up of:

- 1) University (APPLICANT organization)
- 2) Regional public authority (PARTNER organization, co-organizer)
- 3) [...] (PARTNER organization, co-organizer)

apply to the call for proposal? Considering, furthermore, the two partners (Regional public authority and [...]) as organizations involved in the implementation and realization of the planning actions?

IT:

Con riferimento al bando in oggetto 'Support for information measures relating to the common agricultural policy' (CAP) for 2018 (2017/C 339/07), si chiede un chiarimento in merito alla partecipazione di un partenariato costituito da:

- 1) Università (soggetto RICHIEDENTE),
- 2) Ente Pubblico Regionale (soggetto PARTNER-CoOrganizzatore),
- 3) [...] (soggetto PARTNER-CoOrganizzatore).

Nello specifico la nostra domanda riguarda la modalità di partecipazione dell' Ente Pubblico Regionale e dell' [...], come costituenti di un partenariato con capofila l' Università, per l'implementazione e la realizzazione delle azioni progettuali. La ringraziamo anticipatamente per l'aiuto.

Answer:

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Question 12

About the call Grants for information measures relating to the common agricultural policy, is it possible to have an applicant and co-applicants not affiliated? If not, can two or more non-affiliate partners manage a part of the budget?

Answer:

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