

WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS

of the European Union, represented by the Office of the Minister of State for Administrative Reform (OMSAR) for the Republic of Lebanon

1. Basic act and/or Financing source

Basic act: Regulation (EC) N°1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006 laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI).

Financing source: '*Reinforcing Human Rights and Democracy in Lebanon*' – Financing agreement N° ENPI/2009/020-489 [General budget of the European Union for the financial years 2009, 2011 and 2012 - budget line 19.08 '*European Neighbourhood Policy and Relations with Russia*'].

2. Objectives of the programme, priorities for 2015 and expected results

The **global objective** of this Call for Proposals is to promote development and reform through improving the socio-economic situation in Lebanon. The programme will support initiatives aiming at building the capacity of Civil Society Organisations and increasing resilience of vulnerable and disadvantaged communities including organisations addressing women, youth and children rights.

3. Eligibility conditions

Potential applicants for funding should be established in the European Union and/or the countries and territories ('*the partner countries*') listed in annex of the above mentioned Regulation (EU) N°1638/2006 of 24 October 2006. Additional eligibility conditions will be defined in the guidelines of the related foreseen call for proposals.

4. Selection and award criteria

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the applicable '*Procurement and Grants for European Union external actions – a Practical Guide*' as published on the EuropeAid web site.

5. Maximum rate of the European Union financing

The maximum possible rate of co-financing for grants under the foreseen call for proposals is 90% of the eligible costs of the action.

6. Indicative time-schedule of the call for proposals

The call for proposals is foreseen to be launched in the course of the second trimester 2015 (indicatively May 2015).

7. Indicative amount of the call for proposals

EUR 6,100,000