WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS 2015
of EU Delegation to China & Mongolia
for Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities (CSO-LA) in
Development – Actions in China

1. Basic act and/or Financing source

Regulation (EC) n. 1905/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 378, 27 December 2006), establishing a financing instrument for development cooperation, and more specifically its article 14 constitute the legal basis for this programme.

Budget line 21.020803

2. Objectives of the programme, priorities and expected results

a) Global Objective

The global objective of this Call for Proposals is strengthening CSO's in China. Supporting CSO's contributions towards reinforced governance and inclusive policy making.

b) Specific Objective and main priorities

The specific objective of the call is to enhance CSOs contributions to governance and development processes as partners in promoting social development and accountability.

The main priorities will be:

1. Social protection and social cohesion, i.e., actions aimed at protecting the economic, social and cultural rights of the Chinese people in line with internationally agreed standards and with particular focus on vulnerable groups.

2. Sustainable urbanization, including actions aimed at coping with social, economic and environmental aspects of the urbanization process in China.

1 Civil Society Organisations include here: non-governmental organizations, organisations representing indigenous peoples, organisations representing national and/or ethnic minorities, local traders' associations and citizens' groups, cooperatives, trade unions and business associations, other organisations representing economic and social interests, organisations fighting corruption and fraud and promoting good governance, civil rights organisations and organisations combating discrimination, local organisations (including networks) involved in decentralised regional cooperation and integration, consumer organisations, women's and youth organisations, teaching, research and scientific organisations, universities, the media and any non-governmental associations and independent foundations, including independent political foundations.
3. Eligibility conditions

As applicant: the eligibility of applicants is restricted to all types of CSOs and their associations originating from China and EU Member States and contracting parties to the Agreement on the European Economic Area;

Co-applicant and affiliated entities: the eligibility of Co-applicant and affiliated entities is restricted to all types of CSOs and/or their association and Local Authorities (LA) and/or their associations originating from the countries described above under applicant.

The details will be further specified in the Guidelines for Grant Applicants.

4. Selection and award criteria

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the Practical Guide.

5. Maximum rate of European Union financing

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall between the following minimum and maximum amounts:

- minimum amount: EUR 1,000,000
- maximum amount: EUR 1,500,000

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall within the following maximum percentages of total eligible costs of the action:

- China CSO Applicant: 90% of the total eligible costs of the action
- European CSO Applicant: 75% of the total eligible cost of the action

6. Indicative time-schedule of calls for proposals

March 2015

7. Indicative amount of calls for proposals

The overall indicative amount made available under this call for proposal is 3,000,000 EUR.

The contracting Authority reserves the right not award all available funds.