

EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL REGIONAL AND URBAN POLICY Communication Unit

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

2018CE16BAT042

'Support for information measures relating to the EU Cohesion policy'

Questions & Answers (Q&As)

18/06/2018

You will find below a list of questions received for this call for proposals. Please note that the present document aims to complement and clarify the call for proposals and does not replace it. A Q&As document will be periodically published; applicants are invited to check this website regularly.

Q1. We are applying a proposal under the budget line 2018CE16BAT042 'Support for information measures relating to the EU Cohesion policy'.

In the CHECKLIST FOR APPLICANTS you ask:

Balance sheets or extracts from balance sheets for the last year for which accounts have been closed have been included with the application form.

Profit and loss account for the last financial year for which the accounts have been closed has been included with the application form.

But in the guidelines is written that these documents should be provided ON DEMAND.

Should we annex these documents to the grant application form or later on request only?

A1. Please see answer No 2 of Q&A No 6 published on 11/06/2018.

Q2. In relation to the CALL 2018CE16BAT042 'Support for information measures relating to the EU Cohesion policy', deadline for submission of applications 28 June 2018, as specified in the Guidelines for applicants we request the obtain the PIC code and the documentation necessary to prove the legal existence and status of the organization.

We also ask for clarification if the same procedure shall be followed by the Co-Applicant.

A2. The designation "applicants" refers to the organisations which submit a proposal (see point 6.1 in the guidelines). In case of a consortium, not only the coordinator is considered as the applicant but all members of the consortium involved in the application are considered co-applicants. Given the above the co-applicants will also be requested to provide the supporting documents necessary to prove the legal existence and status of the organisation. During the evaluation phase, applicants will receive instructions on how to create a PIC. All necessary details and instructions will be provided via a separate notification.

Q3. Our Association belongs to the Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) and is financed by the COSME programmme. We would be very grateful if you can inform us if we can present a proposal to the Call 2018CE16BAT042 – "Support for information measures relating to the EU cohesion policy".

A3. A proposal can be presented under the Call 2018CE16BAT042 – "Support for information measures relating to the EU cohesion policy" if the principle of non-cumulative award is respected, i.e. the same costs cannot be financed twice by the Union budget (see point 7.1.

of the Guidelines). In addition, of your association receives already an operating grant from the EU budget during the period in question, indirect costs are not eligible under this call (see point 7.2.1.2. of the Guidelines)

Q4. Our entity, a public administration, is interested in submitting a project proposal under the open call for proposals **2018CE16BAT042** 'Support for information measures relating to the EU Cohesion policy'. Our understanding is that this call for proposal accepts the participation of public authorities, excepting Management Authorities, Certifying Authorities and Intermediate Bodies (as stated in art. 123 of EU Regulation 1303/2013).

In this case, in order to be in accordance with the eligibility guidelines, we would like to know if our entity is eligible as **National Authority** and/or **National Contact Point** (with Technical Assistance Projects) for 3 European Territorial Cooperation programmes – Danube Transnational Programme, INTERREG EUROPE and URBACT III.

A4. A National Contact Point in the framework of a macro-regional strategy is not a managing authority as such. However, if the National Contact Point has been formally designated the implementation of (parts of) one or more programmes, it should be regarded as a managing authority.

Q5. Regarding the Call 'Support for information measures relating to the EU Cohesion policy', we are interested if we can write the application in Slovenian languange (with English summary).

A5. According to heading 3 of the guidelines, applications must be drafted in one of the EU official languages. If the application is not submitted in English, applicants are recommended to accompany it by a summary of the proposal in English.