CALL FOR PROPOSALS - DG ENTR ENT-SAT-10/5011

Support to international activities: Information, training and assistance centres

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1. Objectives and description

Ensure the visibility of the European satellite navigation activities, monitor local satellite navigation initiatives and support the EU satellite navigation industry through support of information, training and assistance centres and activities, in Israel, and Latin America.

The kinds of activities to be supported are:

- establishment and deployment of a communication strategy with the objective to promote and inform about the results of the European GNSS programmes in the respective third countries and support cooperation,
- setting-up and management of a website for the duration of the project,
- promotion of European products through distribution of relevant documentations from EU companies to events,
- technology watch and, in particular, issue monthly monitoring reports on the development of Navigation Satellite Systems in the targeted country/region,
- awareness creation through organisation of seminars that will present opportunities of cooperation through the different instruments available (Seventh Framework Programme for Research),
- provision of incentives to European SMEs willing to export in cooperation for example with the European Investment Bank,
- facilitate matchmaking with organisations from the targeted country/region.

2. Eligible applicants

Applicants should be private or public organisations based in the targeted country/region (Israel, Latin America) or based in the European Union with operations in the targeted country/region.

Applicants must be established in one of the following countries:

- the 27 countries of the European Union,

- other countries: Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Israel.

3. Budget and project duration

The total budget earmarked for the co-financing of projects amounts to EUR 250 000. Financial assistance from the Commission cannot exceed 70 % of the total eligible costs.

This call should co-finance two projects.

The maximum grant will be EUR 250 000. For details see Chapter 4 of the call for proposals.

Scheduled start date of the activities is May 2011.

The maximum duration of projects is 24 months.

4. Deadline

Applications must be sent to the Commission no later than 15 January 2011.

5. Further information

The full text of the call for proposals and the application forms are available on the following website: http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/funding/index.htm

Applications must comply with the requirements set out in the full text and be submitted using the form provided.