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MEDIA PLUS — Development, distribution and promotion (2001-2006)
Call for proposals — EACEA 08/06
Support for the networking of cinemas screening European films

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1. Objectives and Description

This notice of call for proposals is based on Council Decision 2000/821/EC concerning the implementation of a programme encouraging the development, distribution and promotion of European audiovisual works (MEDIA PLUS — Development, distribution and promotion — 2001-2005), adopted by the Council on 20 December 2000 and published in *Official Journal of the European Communities* L 13 of 17 January 2001, as modified by decision 846/2004/CE of the European Parliament and Council of 29 April 2004 (JO L 157, 30.4.2004), rectified by JO L 195, 2.6.2004, p. 0002 — 0002.

The measures to be implemented under the Decision include support for the creation and consolidation of networks of European cinema operators running joint schemes to encourage the scheduling of European films, and support for cinemas screening a significant proportion of non-domestic European films for a minimum screening period.

2. Eligible applicants

This call for proposals is aimed at European companies whose activities contribute to the attainment of the objectives of the MEDIA programme as described in the Council Decision.

The present notification is addressed to European organisations; those registered in and controlled by nationals from the Member States of the European Union and countries of the European Economic Agreement participating in the MEDIA Plus Programme (Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), Switzerland, as well as those other countries that satisfy the conditions laid down in Article 11 of Decision No 2000/821/EC (at the date of publication: Bulgaria).

3. Budget and project duration

The total budget earmarked for the co-financing of projects is estimated at 14 000 000 Euros. Financial assistance from the Executive Agency (EACEA) cannot exceed 50 % of the total eligible costs.

Projects must start between 1/01/07 and 31/12/2007. The maximum duration of projects is 24 months.

4. Deadline

Applications must be sent to the Executive Agency (EACEA) no later than **23/10/2006.**

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/comm/avpolicy/media/distr_en.html#1d

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