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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

CALL FOR PROPOSALS — EACEA/21/2018

Erasmus+ Programme, Key Action 3 — Support for policy reform Social inclusion and common values: the contribution in the field of education and training $(2018/C\ 420/02)$

1. OBJECTIVES

This call for proposals will support transnational cooperation projects in the fields of education and training.

Each application must address one general objective and one of the specific objectives. Both the general and specific objectives of the call are exhaustive: proposals that do not address them will not be considered.

General objectives

Proposals should address one of the two general objectives below:

1. Disseminating and/or scaling up good practices on inclusive learning and on promoting common values, initiated in particular at local level. In the context of the present call, scaling up means replicating good practice on a wider scale/transferring it to a different context or implementing it at a higher/systemic level;

or

2. Developing and implementing innovative methods and practices to foster inclusive education and promote common values.

Specific objectives

Proposals should address one of the following specific objectives:

- enhancing the acquisition of social and civic competences, fostering knowledge, understanding and ownership of values and fundamental rights;
- promoting inclusive education and training and fostering the education of disadvantaged learners, including through supporting educational staff in addressing diversity and reinforcing diversity among education staff;
- enhancing critical thinking and media literacy among learners, parents and educational staff;
- supporting the inclusion of newly arrived migrants in good quality education, including by assessing knowledge and validating prior learning;
- fostering digital skills and competences of digitally excluded groups (including older people, migrants and young people from disadvantaged backgrounds) though partnerships between schools, business and the non-formal sector, including public libraries.

Projects are encouraged to involve role models in their activities, where appropriate.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1. Eligible applicants

Eligible applicants are public and private organisations active in the fields of education, training and youth or other socioeconomic sectors, or organisations carrying out cross-sector activities (e.g. cultural organisations, civil society, sport organisations, recognition centres, chambers of commerce, trade organisations, etc.).

Only legal entities established in the following programme countries are eligible:

- the 28 Member States of the European Union (1);
- the EFTA/EEA countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway;
- EU candidate countries: the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Serbia (2).

The minimum partnership composition requirement for this call is 4 eligible organisations from 4 different programme countries.

If networks are involved in the project, the consortium must include at least 2 organisations which are not members of the network(s) and the consortium has to represent at least 4 eligible countries.

2.2. Eligible activities and project duration

Only activities taking place in Programme countries (see Section 2.1) will be considered eligible for funding. Any costs relating to activities undertaken outside these countries or by organisations that are not registered in the Programme countries are not eligible. Exceptionally and on case by case basis activities that involve other countries than the Programme countries can be granted but must have the prior and specific authorization from the Executive Agency.

Activities must start either on 1 November, 1 December 2019 or 15 January 2020.

The project duration must be 24 or 36 months.

3. EXPECTED RESULTS

Projects should lead to results such as:

- increased awareness, knowledge and understanding of good practices in the relevant educational institutions and communities;
- increased use of state of the art innovative approaches in policy or practice;
- increased awareness, motivation and competence of educational leaders and educators with regard to inclusive educational approaches and the promotion of common values;
- active engagement of families and local communities in supporting inclusive educational approaches and the promotion of common values;
- more widespread and effective tools to support education and training institutions and learning providers in implementing inclusive education approaches and in promoting common values.

4. **BUDGET AVAILABLE:**

The total budget available for the co-financing of projects under the present call is EUR 10 000 000.

The financial contribution from the EU cannot exceed 80 % of the total eligible project costs.

The maximum grant per project will be EUR 500 000.

The Agency reserves the right not to distribute all the funds available.

⁽¹⁾ For British applicants: Please be aware that eligibility criteria must be complied with for the entire duration of the project. If the United Kingdom withdraws from the EU during the project period without concluding an agreement with the EU ensuring in particular that British applicants continue to be eligible, you will cease to receive EU funding (while continuing, where possible, to participate) or be required to leave the project on the basis of Article II.16.3.1 (a) of the grant agreement.

⁽²⁾ The budgetary adaptations determined by Serbia's becoming a Programme Country of the Erasmus+ Programme shall apply from 1 January 2019 subject to the adoption of the Commission Decision approving the (amendment to the) Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Serbia on the participation of the Republic of Serbia in 'Erasmus+': the Union programme for education, training, youth and sport as of 1 January 2019.

5. AWARD CRITERIA

Eligible proposals will be assessed on the basis of the following criteria:

- (1) Relevance of the project (30 %)
- (2) Quality of the project design and implementation (20 %)
- (3) Quality of the partnership and the cooperation arrangements (20%)
- (4) Impact, dissemination and sustainability (30 %)

6. SUBMISSION PROCEDURE AND DEADLINE

The submission deadline is: 26 February 2019 — 12:00 (noon, Brussels time).

Applicants are requested to read carefully all information about the call for proposals EACEA/21/2018 and the submission procedure and to use the obligatory documents, which can be found under:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding_en (Call reference EACEA/21/2018)

The application and its compulsory annexes must be submitted online using the designated e-form.

7. CALL INFORMATION

All information on the Call EACEA/21/2018 is available from the following website:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding_en (Call reference EACEA/21/2018)

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