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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Call for proposals 2012 — Civil Protection Financial Instrument — Civil protection mechanism exercises

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1. The European Commission, Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection, is launching a call for proposals with the aim of identifying proposals related to exercises which might be eligible for financial support in the framework of the Council Decision 2007/162/EC, Euratom establishing a Civil Protection Financial Instrument adopted on 5 March 2007 and under the Council Decision 2007/779/EC, Euratom establishing a Community civil protection mechanism (recast) adopted on 8 November 2007. This financial support will take the form of grants.

2. The fields concerned, the nature and content of the proposals and the financing conditions are set out in the relevant Grant application guide, which also contains detailed instructions on where and when to submit a proposal. The Grant application guide, as well as the relevant grant application forms can be downloaded from the Europa website at:

http://ec.europa.eu/echo/funding/opportunities/proposals_en.htm

3. Proposals must be sent to the Commission to the address indicated in the Grant application guide by **16 July 2012**. Proposals must be submitted by post or private courier no later than **16 July 2012** (evidence shall be constituted by the date of dispatch, the postmark or the date of the deposit slip). They may also be delivered by hand to the specific address indicated in the Grant application guide, no later than **16 July 2012 at 17.00** (evidence shall be the acknowledgement of receipt dated and signed by the responsible official).

Proposals submitted by fax, electronic mail, incomplete applications or applications sent in several parts will not be accepted.

4. The procedure for the award of grants is scheduled as follows:

- receipt, recording and acknowledgement of receipt by the Commission,
- appraisal of the proposals by the Commission,
- award decision and notification of the result to the applicants.

Beneficiaries will be selected on the basis of the criteria set out in the Grant application guide and within the limits of the available budget.

In the event of approval by the Commission, a grant agreement will be concluded between the Commission and the party submitting the proposal.

The procedure is strictly confidential.
