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## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS — EAC/S03/13

## Preparatory action 'European Partnership on Sports'

(open call)

(2013/C 120/08)

**1. Objectives and description**

This call for proposals serves to implement the preparatory action 'European Partnership on Sports' in accordance with the Commission Decision adopting the 2013 annual work programme on grants and contracts for the preparatory action 'European Partnership on Sports' and for the 'Special annual events'.

The main objective of this preparatory action is to prepare future EU actions in this field, in particular in the framework of the 'Sport' Chapter of the proposed Union programme for education, training, youth and sport for 2014-2020 ('Erasmus for all'), building on the priorities set in the 2007 White Paper on Sport and the 2011 Communication on developing the European dimension in sport.

This call for proposals will support transnational projects put forward by public bodies or not-for-profit organisations in order to identify and test suitable networks and good practices in the field of sport, in the following areas:

1. strengthening of good governance and dual careers in sport through support for the mobility of volunteers, coaches, managers and staff of non-profit sport organisations;
2. protecting athletes, especially the youngest, from health and safety hazards by improving training and competition conditions;
3. promoting traditional European sports and games.

The Commission department responsible for implementation and management of this action is the Sport Unit of the Directorate-General for Education and Culture.

**2. Eligibility**2.1. *Applicant*

Eligible applicants are limited to:

— public bodies,

— not-for-profit organisations.

Applicants must:

- have a legal status,
- have their registered head office in one of the EU Member States.

Natural persons may not submit applications under this call for proposals.

## 2.2. *Proposals*

In order to be eligible under this call for proposals, proposals must:

- be submitted using the official application form and complying with its requirements, completed in full and signed,
- be received by the deadline stipulated in this call for proposals,
- involve actions fully carried out in the Member States of the European Union, and
- include a transnational network with partners from a minimum of five (5) EU Member States.

## 3. **Budget and project duration**

The budget available for this call for proposals is EUR 2 650 000, under the heading 'Preparatory Action European Partnership on Sports' (Article 15.05.20).

EU co-financing will be provided to a maximum of 80 % of the total eligible costs. The applicant shall provide a minimum of own funding equal to 20 % of the total eligible costs. Applications with additional third-party private funding are encouraged and will receive additional award points. Where projects include a given percentage of third-party private funding, the EU co-financing will be reduced by the same percentage.

Staff costs may not exceed 50 % of the total eligible costs. Contributions in kind are not accepted as co-financing. Depending on the number and quality of the projects submitted, the Commission reserves the right not to award all the funding available.

Projects must start between 1 January 2014 and 31 March 2014 and end no later than 30 June 2015.

The eligibility period for costs is the project duration as specified in the contract.

## 4. **Deadline for applications**

Applications must be sent no later than on **19 July 2013**, date as per postmark, to:

European Commission  
Directorate-General for Education and Culture — Unit D2 (Sport)  
J-70, 03/178  
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel  
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## 5. **Further information**

The other texts relating to this call for proposals, which include the application form and the programme guide containing the technical and administrative specifications, can be found at the following Internet address:

[http://ec.europa.eu/sport/preparatory\\_actions/doc1009\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/sport/preparatory_actions/doc1009_en.htm)

Applications must comply with the abovementioned texts and must be submitted on the forms provided.

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