



## **Soutien aux secteurs de la culture et de la création ACP**

### **Supporting the cultural and creative sectors in the ACP countries**

**EuropeAid/167697/IH/ACT/Multi**

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**(les réponses sont données dans la langue de l'appel à propositions  
dans laquelle les questions sont formulées)**

DISCLAIMER

As per section 2.2.4 of the Guidelines, in the interest of equal treatment of applicants, the Contracting Authority cannot give a prior opinion on the eligibility of an applicant, a co-applicant, an affiliated entity, an action or specific activities.

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Comme stipulé dans la Section 2.2.4 des Lignes directrices, et afin de garantir un traitement équitable entre les demandeurs, l'Autorité Contractante ne peut émettre d'avis préalable sur l'éligibilité d'un demandeur, un codemandeur, une entité affiliée, une action ou d'activités spécifiques.

**QUESTION 3.1**

We .....development organization in Grenada, Caribbean, are planning a new art and education program in Caribbean. TLTA - Teaching and Learning Through Art activities. The program includes local artist, students and teacher in primary and secondary schools and after school activities in the communities on Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique.

I want to know if the proposal is something we can make a call on for our project.

The goal for the project is to give new ways of teaching and learning combined with art and for local artist new working possibilities. In the islands in Caribbean they still have a old school teaching way which includes punishment (violence). This project shows a different way to go.

**ANSWER 3.1**

As provided for in section 2.2.4 of the Guidelines for grant applicants, *“in the interest of equal treatment of applicants, the Contracting Authority cannot give a prior opinion on the eligibility of an applicant, a co-applicant, an affiliated entity, an action or specific activities.”*

Please note that applicants and co-applicants, as defined in section 2.1.1, are the direct beneficiaries of the present call for proposals, meaning the entities with whom grant contracts resulting from this call for proposals will be signed.

These entities will be responsible for awarding financial support to third parties (sub-granting) as the main activity, in accordance with the conditions set out in these Guidelines and in Annex M. They will, therefore, launch their own call for proposals (at least once a year) to reach the third parties, which will implement the projects on the field.

In conclusion, the winning applicants of this call for proposals cannot be the direct beneficiaries of the financial support to third parties for which they will be responsible.

### QUESTION 3.2

J'ai une série de questions à vous poser:

- 1) Le Programme de Culture ACP a-t-il déjà défini son calendrier tout comme aussi le montant des subventions octroyées aux pays francophones? Il y aura t-il une institution désignée pour s'occuper de la gestion des pays lusophones? Si tel est le cas quelle est cette institution?
- 2) La date limite de remise des dossiers fixée au 20/02/2020 est-elle la même pour tous les Pays?
- 3) Ce programme tel qu'il est ira jusqu'à quand?
- 4) Quel est le montant maximum que l'ACP peut financer sur un film long métrage?
- 5) Une Maison de Productions peut présenter combien de projets maximum?
- 6) Un réalisateur peut-il présenter 2 projets simultanément, un long-métrage et un Documentaire?

### ANSWER 3.2

- 1) Le présent appel s'adresse aux bénéficiaires directs tels que définis à la section 2.1.1. « Eligibilité des demandeurs (demandeur chef de file et codemandeurs), notamment les entités avec lesquelles les contrats de subvention issus de cet appel à propositions seront signés.

Ces entités seront responsables de l'octroi d'un soutien financier à des tiers (sous-octroi), comme activité principale, conformément aux conditions définies dans les présentes lignes directrices et à l'annexe M. Ensuite ces entités lanceront leurs appels à propositions (au moins une fois par an), auxquels pourront répondre les tiers (porteurs de projets), chargés de mettre en œuvre les projets sur le terrain.

Au moins **75% du montant total de la subvention** doit être redistribué (sous-octroyé) à des tiers.

Au moins **15% du montant total de la subvention** sera alloués à des mécanismes solides de transfert de compétences à des tiers, de savoir-faire, d'expérience d'accompagnement, de suivi-évaluation, en rapport avec les objectifs de l'appel.

En ce qui concerne la division en lots par régions, veuillez consulter l'Annexe L des Lignes Directrices. Les montants alloués à chaque lot sont indiqués au point 1.3. des présentes lignes directrices, par zone géographique concernée, sans distinction linguistique.

- 2) La date limite de soumission des demandes est fixée au **20.03.2020**. Elle est identique pour tous les lots.
- 3) Veuillez vous référer au point 2.14. des Lignes Directrices :  
« *La durée initiale prévue d'une action ne peut pas excéder 40 mois.* »
- 4) Conformément au point vi de l' Annexe M des Lignes Directrices :  
« *Le soutien financier par tiers ne pourra être supérieur à 180 000 euros par projet sélectionné.* »
- 5) 6) Les actions éligibles sur le terrain seront précisées dans les lignes directrices spécifiques des appels à propositions que lanceront les bénéficiaires directs du présent appel une fois qu'ils seront sélectionnés.

### **QUESTION 3.3**

I am from reading the guidelines for reference: EuropeAid/167697/IH/ACT/MULTI supporting the cultural and creative industries. I am from Zambia and I need a clarification on the part of co-applicant. I wanted to find out should a co-applicant be from a government institution. I am the lead applicant in the applying. I want to be clear on the co-applicant and affiliated entities. Can the application of the fund go through if there is no proper co-applicant?

### **ANSWER 3.3**

As provided for in section 2.2.4 of the Guidelines for grant applicants, "*in the interest of equal treatment of applicants, the Contracting Authority cannot give a prior opinion on the eligibility of an applicant, a co-applicant, an affiliated entity, an action or specific activities.*"

For the eligibility of the lead applicant, please refer to section 2.1.1 of the guidelines "Eligibility criteria for applicants":

#### ***Lead applicant***

*"In order to be eligible for a grant, the lead applicant must:*

- *be a legal person **and***
- *be a specific type of organisation such as: a foundation, association, non-governmental organisation, public/private sector operator, local authority, higher education institution and university, international (intergovernmental) organization... (etc.).*

**Please note that the involvement of at least one co-applicant is compulsory.**

***"Actions must be implemented by a partnership between the lead applicant and at least one co-applicant. The partnership must comply with the following minimum criteria:***

- *in addition to the lead applicant, the partnership must include at least one co-applicant*
- *at least one of the applicants (i.e. lead applicant and co-applicants) must be established in the ACP country of the referred Region lot, as defined in Annex L, and*
- *the number of applicants (lead applicant and co-applicants) established in the ACP countries must always be equal or greater than the number of applicants (lead applicant and coapplicants) established in non-ACP countries.”*

As a reminder:

***“Co-applicants must satisfy the same eligibility criteria as the lead applicant, with the exception of the following:***

- *demonstrate three years’ experience over the **period 2015-2019** in awarding and monitoring the implementation of support funds, including in supporting third parties in the fields of culture and/or creative industries and/or social and human development, with the following specific features:*
  - *they must have awarded third parties at least two grants meeting **all** the following criteria:*
    - *the grants were implemented during the same year over the reference period **(2015-2019); and***
    - *each grant was implemented in an ACP country **and***
    - *the annual amount of grants awarded was at least €100,000 over the past three years **(20172019)**. This amount must be verifiable as required in point 7 of Section 2.4 **and***
- *demonstrate an average annual turnover or annual revenue of at least €400,000 during the last three years **(2017-2019)** as demonstrated by the supporting documents required under point 4 of Section 2.4).”*

#### **QUESTION 3.4**

We took note of the Q&A 1.5, but we would be grateful if you could clarify if there is any co-funding requested, i.e. if the grant requested under this call for proposals must fall between any minimum and maximum percentages of total eligible costs of the action.

#### **ANSWER 3.4**

As indicated in section 1.3 of the Guidelines, paragraph “Size of Grants”:

*“Any grant requested under this call for proposals must fall between the same minimum and maximum amounts per lot as the total of available funds:*

<b><i>Lot 1 – Western Africa:</i></b>	<b><i>Minimum amount and maximum amount: € 6,200,000</i></b>
<b><i>Lot 2 – Eastern Africa:</i></b>	<b><i>Minimum amount and maximum amount: € 6,000,000</i></b>

***Lot 3 – Central Africa: Minimum amount and maximum amount: € 4,200,000***  
***Lot 4 – Southern Africa: Minimum amount and maximum amount: € 3,800,000***  
***Lot 5 – Caribbean: Minimum amount and maximum amount: € 3,000,000***  
***Lot 6 – Pacific: Minimum amount and maximum amount: € 2,800,000”***

Therefore, there is no maximum and minimum amount; the grant requested must be exactly the same as the above-mentioned amount.

Co-financing is requested, but no specific percentage of the total eligible costs of the action is indicated under this call for proposals.

However, as indicated in the same paragraph, 3<sup>rd</sup> comma, of section 1.3 of the Guidelines, 100% financing is possible only under some condition: *“The grant may exceptionally cover the entire eligible costs of the action to ensure a clear visibility of the European Union contribution and of the ACP Group of States role. If that is the case, the lead applicant must justify full financing in Section 2.1 of Part B of the grant application form. The validity of the justification provided will be examined during the evaluation procedure.”*