

CORRIGENDUM No: 1

to the

4th Call for Proposals “Cross-Border Cooperation Programme Montenegro – Albania 2014-2020 under the Instrument of Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II)”

Reference: EuropeAid/177415/ID/ACT/Multi

Location: Europe (non EU), Montenegro (MNE)

NOTE: Due to the technical issues caused by the cyber-attack on the government information platforms, the contracting authority’s official e-mail address (cfpmne.al@mif.gov.me) could be non-functional for some period from the moment the call was published until the deadline for asking questions. Therefore, the potential applicants who have already submitted questions are invited to re-send questions to the mentioned e-mail address by the new deadline for requesting any clarifications from the contracting authority defined in point 2.5.2. Indicative timetable of this Corrigendum.

The Guidelines for grant applicants is modified as follows:

Front page

Instead of:

Guidelines

for grant applicants

Budget line(s): IPA 2019 & 2020

Reference: EuropeAid/177415/ID/ACT/Multi

Deadline for submission of full application: 15th June 2023

Read:

Guidelines

for grant applicants

Budget line(s): IPA 2019 & 2020

Reference: EuropeAid/177415/ID/ACT/Multi

Deadline for submission of full application: 30th June 2023

Point No 2.2.3. Deadline for submission of applications

Instead of:

The applicants' attention is drawn to the fact that there are two different systems for sending applications/full proposals: one is by post or private courier service, the other is by hand delivery.

In the first case, the application/full proposal must be sent before the date for submission, as evidenced by the postmark or deposit slip, but in the second case it is the acknowledgment of receipt given at the time of the delivery of the application/full proposal which will serve as proof.

The deadline for the submission of applications is 15th June 2023 as evidenced by the date of dispatch, the postmark or the date of the deposit slip. In the case of hand-deliveries, the deadline for receipt is at 15th June 2023, before 14:30 local time, as evidenced by the signed and dated receipt.

The contracting authority may, for reasons of administrative efficiency, reject any application submitted on time to the postal service but received, for any reason beyond the contracting authority's control, after the effective date of approval of the first evaluation step (i.e., concept note), if accepting applications that were submitted on time but arrived late would considerably delay the award procedure or jeopardise decisions already taken and notified. (see indicative calendar under Section 2.5.2).

Any application submitted after the deadline will be rejected.

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In the first case, the application/full proposal must be sent before the date for submission, as evidenced by the postmark or deposit slip, but in the second case it is the acknowledgment of receipt given at the time of the delivery of the application/full proposal which will serve as proof.

The deadline for the submission of applications is 30th June 2023 as evidenced by the date of dispatch, the postmark or the date of the deposit slip. In the case of hand-deliveries, the deadline for receipt is at 30th June 2023, before 14:30 local time, as evidenced by the signed and dated receipt.

The contracting authority may, for reasons of administrative efficiency, reject any application submitted on time to the postal service but received, for any reason beyond the contracting authority's control, after the effective date of approval of the first evaluation step (i.e., concept note), if accepting applications that were submitted on time but arrived late would considerably delay the award procedure or jeopardise decisions already taken and notified. (see indicative calendar under Section 2.5.2).

Any application submitted after the deadline will be rejected.

Point No 2.5.2. Indicative timetable

Instead of:

| | DATE | TIME |
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| 1. Information meeting | Date and time to be announced within 15 days of the launch of this Call for Proposals (see 2.2.4 above) | |
| 2. Deadline for requesting any clarifications from the contracting authority | 25 th May 2023 | 15:00h |
| 3. Last date on which clarifications are issued by the contracting authority | 02 nd June 2023 | - |
| 4. Deadline for submission of applications, and where appropriate, supporting documents for the execution of works | 15 th June 2023 | 14:30h |
| 5. Information to lead applicants on opening, administrative checks and concept note evaluation (Step 1) | 1 st August 2023 | - |
| 6. Information to lead applicants on the evaluation of the full applications (Step 2) | 13 th September 2023 | - |
| 7. Notification of award (after the eligibility check) (Step 3) | 20 th October 2023 | - |
| 8. Contract signature | 18 th December 2023 | - |

All times are in the time zone of the country of the contracting authority.

This indicative timetable refers to provisional dates (except for dates 2, 3, and 4) and may be updated by the contracting authority during the procedure. In such cases, the updated timetable will be published on the web site where the call was published: website of DG International Partnerships: https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/home_fr or Funding & Tender opportunities (F&T Portal) <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home> web site of Contracting Authority <https://cfcu.gov.me/direktorat>¹, web site of Ministry of European Affairs of Montenegro <https://www.gov.me/mep>; <https://www.eu.me>, the web page Integration of the Republic of Albania in the European Union <https://integrimi-ne-be.punetejashtme.gov.al/en/mbeshetja-e-be-se/bashkepunimi-territorial/> and the Programme Montenegro-Albania 2014-2020 - <https://www.cbc-mne-alb.org>.

¹ Due to the cyber-attack on the government information platforms the contracting authority's website may be non-functional. Please use website of DG International Partnerships or F&T Portal for all information regarding this grant scheme.

Read:

| | DATE | TIME |
|---|---|-------------|
| 1. Information meeting | Date and time to be announced within 15 days of the launch of this Call for Proposals (see 2.2.4 above) | |
| 2. Deadline for requesting any clarifications from the contracting authority | 9 th June 2023 | 15:00h |
| 3. Last date on which clarifications are issued by the contracting authority | 19 th June 2023 | - |
| 4. Deadline for submission of applications, and where appropriate, supporting documents for the execution of works | 30 th June 2023 | 14:30h |
| 5. Information to lead applicants on opening, administrative checks and concept note evaluation (Step 1) | 17 th August 2023 | - |
| 6. Information to lead applicants on the evaluation of the full applications (Step 2) | 29 th September 2023 | - |
| 7. Notification of award (after the eligibility check) (Step 3) | 7 th November 2023 | - |
| 8. Contract signature | 18 th December 2023 | - |

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The Annex A: Grant application form is modified as follows:

Front page

Instead of:

Grant application form

Budget line(s): IPA 2019& 2020

Reference: EuropeAid/177415/ID/ACT/Multi

Deadline for submission of concept notes and full applications

15th June 2023

Read:

Grant application form

Budget line(s): IPA 2019& 2020

Reference: EuropeAid/177415/ID/ACT/Multi

Deadline for submission of concept notes and full applications

30th June 2023

All other terms and conditions of the guidelines for grant applicants and Annex A: Grant application form remain unchanged. The above corrections to the guidelines for grant applicants and Annex A: Grant application form are integral part of the Call for Proposals.