

ANNEX

In Annex, Sections 2.2.7. and 2.2.8. are replaced by the following:

"2.2.7. Restricted call for proposals to support national information, awareness-raising and education activities aimed at preventing and combating violence against women

LEGAL BASIS

Art. 4 and 5 Regulation (EU) No 1381/2013

Specific objective: to promote equality between women and men and to advance gender mainstreaming

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Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results

Violence against women includes all acts of gender-based violence that result in, or are likely to result in, physical, sexual, psychological or economic harm or suffering to women. For the purpose of this call, it includes violence and abuse in close relationships; sexual violence (including rape, sexual assault and harassment or stalking); harmful practices, such as forced marriages, female genital mutilation (FGM) and so-called 'honour' crimes; and cyberviolence and harassment using new technologies and social media.

Violence against women is both a cause and consequence of gender inequalities. It is the most brutal form of discrimination on the basis of sex, and results from unequal power relations between women and men. Consequently, it hinders women from fully participating in the labour market, families and society at large.

This call for proposals aims to support national stakeholders in developing and implementing **practical and targeted** information, communication and education activities aimed at preventing and combating violence against women and girls, in order to ultimately contribute to promoting gender equality in EU Member States. These activities should spread a clear message of zero tolerance for violence against women. They may cover multiple forms of violence or a specific one, depending on the national context and priorities and may focus on vulnerable groups of women and girls, such as (but not limited to) women and girls with disabilities, migrant and refugee women and girls, homeless women and girls, Roma women and girls, women and girls belonging to national, ethnic or religious minorities, elderly women, and lesbian, bisexual or trans women and girls.

Description of the activities to be funded under the call for proposals

This call for proposals will provide funding for effective national activities in the following areas:

- Communication, awareness-raising and education activities, in particular aimed at informing victims about their rights and services available and at changing attitudes and behaviours that contribute to or perpetuate violence against women;

- Capacity building and training for relevant professionals (e.g. within health services, education, the judiciary, the police, support services etc.).

Essential eligibility criteria

To be **eligible**, grant applications must comply with all of the following criteria:

(a) the application must be submitted:

(i) by the national authority in charge of the policy on equality between women and men or by the national authority in charge of the policy on violence against women, when this is a different national authority (if an application is submitted by one of these authorities, applications submitted by other entities will be ineligible); or

(ii) by the body responsible for gender equality at national level (i.e. body referred to in Art. 20 of the Directive 2006/54/EC) (if no application is submitted by the national authority under (i), an application submitted by the body responsible for gender equality at national level will be eligible); or

(iii) by another national authority (only if no application is submitted by the two entities under (i) and (ii), will an application submitted by another national authority be eligible);

Co-applicants must be public entities or private organisations, duly established in one of the countries participating in the Programme, or international organisations;

(b) the EU grant applied for cannot be lower than EUR 100 000;

(c) the project must not have started prior to the date of submission of the grant application.

Implementation

By DG Justice

Indicative timetable and indicative amount of the call for proposals

Reference	Date	Amount
JUST/2016/RGEN/AG/VAWA	Q3 2016	4 000 000 EUR

Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs

80%

2.2.8. Action grant to monopoly – Presidency conference

LEGAL BASIS

Art. 4 and 5 Regulation (EU) No 1381/2013

Specific objective: to promote equality between women and men and to advance gender mainstreaming

Article 190(1)(f) of the Rules of Application

Presidency Conferences, highly political in nature and requiring representation at the highest level both from national authorities and European representatives, are to be organised exclusively by the Member State holding the Presidency. Given the unique role of the Presidency in the framework of EU activities, a Presidency conference can be considered as an action with specific characteristics that require a particular type of body on account of its administrative powers.

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Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results

The priority is to fund one Presidency conference which should aim to enhance awareness and promote the debate about key challenges and policy issues on equality between women and men among stakeholders and civil society at Member States' level.

Description of the activities to be funded

This grant aims to support one Presidency Conference in 2017 in the area of equality between women and men.

Essential award criteria

Proposals will be assessed based on the following **award criteria**:

- (a) extent to which the proposed activities address the Commission's priorities for equality between women and men;
- (b) quality of the proposal, which must be clear, realistic and well detailed;
- (c) European added value of the activities;
- (d) financial quality of the proposal, including the existence of a clear, detailed, and reasonable budget, which is coherent with the proposed activities.

Implementation

By DG Justice

Indicative timetable of the invitation to submit a proposal and indicative amount

Reference	Date	Amount
JUST/2016/RGEN/AG/PRES	Q4 2016	200 000 EUR

Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs

80%

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