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Call for proposals 2006 Programme "Promotion of active European citizenship"

In order to prepare the launch of the programme "Citizens for Europe" and to test innovative actions foreseen within the new programme, the European Commission has launched a Call for proposals to support pilot projects on European citizenship.

The general objectives of this Call are to:

- encourage an active and participatory European citizenship
- demonstrate how the democratic nature of European construction can be enhanced by engaging citizens
- stimulate the active participation of citizens in activities linked to further European integration

Project categories and specific objectives

The Call for proposals is aimed at supporting projects in one of the following two categories:

- **Citizens' panels**, whose objective is stimulating active interaction between citizens of the EU, and encouraging dialogue between European citizens and the European institutions;
- **Capacity building for active European citizenship**, whose objective is to empower a group of active European citizens, such as NGO leaders, municipal representatives, youth workers, trade union leaders and journalists, to transmit their commitment to active European citizenship.

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Eligible organisations, countries and partnership

Eligible organisations: public bodies, or non-profit making organisations with a legal status and legal personality, established in the 25 Member States.

Special attention should be paid to involving potential multipliers.

The partners must be from at least 4 other eligible countries than the country of the co-ordinator.

The partnership (co-ordinator and partners) has to be composed of at least 5 organisations from 5 eligible countries, who will participate in the planning, implementation and follow-up of the project.

Types of action

If the project is related to the Category 2, the main activity should be the design and delivery of training events involving a wide spectrum of organisations on the issues of European identity, European citizenship and citizens' participation. A special focus should be placed on the transferability of the training methods and tools, and the training event must involve at least 250 participants.

What scale of funding is available?

The amount available for this Call is € 500,000.

The EU contribution may not exceed 50% of the total eligible project costs; the minimum grant will be € 50,000 and the maximum grant will be € 150,000.

Timetable and deadline

The application must be sent at the latest on **31.05.2006**.

The project must start between 1 October 2006 and 31 December 2006, and must end no later than 31 August 2007.

The maximum total duration of a project will be 11 months.

Submission of the application

Applications can be submitted in one of the following ways:

- By registered post to the following address, for which purposes the relevant date is to be the date of despatch by post, as evidenced by the postmark; or by the registered delivery receipt issued by the Postal Services

**European Commission
Education and Culture Directorate-General
"Civil Society: Partnerships and Visits"
EAC /18/06 Applications
VM-2 4/48
B-1049 Brussels
Belgium**

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- By hand-delivery or courier service.

For security reasons applications by hand delivery or by a courier service can only be delivered to the central post service of the European Commission (Rue de Genève 1, B-1140 Evère) with the indication DG Education and Culture, "**Civil Society: Partnerships and Visits**, EAC 18/06 Applications; VM 2 4/35" on the envelope. In case of hand delivery the submission date is the date of receipt. In case of delivery by a courier service the submission date is the date of receipt by the courier service.

Applications submitted by fax or e-mail will not be examined.

The text of the call for proposals, the grant application forms, the financial identification form, the legal entities forms and a copy of the standard agreement are published at the following address:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/dgs/education_culture/activecitizenship/index_en.htm

Contact

The European Commission service responsible for implementing and managing this Call for proposals is the unit "*Civil Society: Partnerships and visits*" of the Education and Culture (EAC) Directorate-General.

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