# Trainers' Digest



ETUI-REHS EDUCATION's information bulletin about EU training programmes

Budget heading 04.03.03.02
"Information and training measures for workers'
organisations"
Call for proposals 2008

**A Call for Proposals** has been launched by the European Commission, supporting information and training measures for representatives of workers' organisations.

These measures are linked to the implementation of the Community action on the social dimension of the internal market, including gender equality issues, and Monetary Union. In particular, the measures should help workers' organisations to contribute to the goals of the Lisbon Strategy, which are to deliver stronger, lasting growth and to create more and better jobs (see Communication to the Spring European Council "Working together for growth and jobs. A new start for the Lisbon Strategy", COM/2005/24 of 2 February 2005).

The workers' organisations are in particular asked to contribute to the issues on the Social Agenda for modernising the European social model, such as modernisation of the labour market, anticipation and management of change, flexicurity, youth employment, the follow-up to the green paper on labour law, contributing to the health and safety strategy, combining work and family life, action in the field of antidiscrimination, active ageing and active inclusion.

Part of the appropriations is intended to finance measures involving representatives of workers' organisations in the candidate countries. A large proportion of this should go to women representatives.

Access for disabled persons must be guaranteed.

# What kinds of organisations are eligible to be promoters?

Eligible organisations are **social partner organisations representing workers** at European, national or regional level.

At least two thirds of the appropriations are intended for measures submitted by European organisations.

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To be eligible, applicants must be properly constituted and registered legal persons, and their registered office must be based in one of the Member States of the European Union. In application of Article 114 of the Financial Regulation, social partner organisations without legal personality are also eligible provided that their representatives have the capacity to assume legal obligations on their behalf and assume financial liability.

The operations must be carried out only in the Member States of the European Union or in the Candidate countries.

#### Procedure and deadlines for submission of proposals

The deadline for submission of applications is 25 April 2008.

Operations have to start no earlier than 25 June 2008 and no later than 22 December 2008.

Only applications for operations starting in 2008 will be considered.

We advise you to read carefully the text of the yearly Call (providing strict indications about funding, priority themes and the procedural requirements of the European Commission).

Proposals which indicate an earlier starting date than the one indicated above will not be considered by the Evaluation Committee.

Please send your application by registered mail or express courier service only and keep proof of the date of sending (the date of the post office stamp or express courier receipt will be considered as proof of date of sending).

Hand-delivered applications must be received by the European Commission by the last day for submission, at:

Avenue du Bourget 1, B-1140 Evere, Belgium

Proof of delivery is a signed receipt from the Commission's Archives Service stamped with the date of the last day for submission or earlier.

The compulsory on-line grant application as well as the other requested forms and other useful documents (e.g. the European Communities' Financial Regulation and Implementing Rules) can be found at the following Internet address:

http://ec.europa.eu/employment\_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders\_en.cfm?id=2685

# **Duration of project activities**

12 months.

# What scale of funding is available?

Applicants must contribute at least 10% of the total cost of the operation. Contributions in kind will not be accepted. Any application which requests a grant of more than 90% will be excluded automatically from the selection.

**Persons residing in third countries** may participate in operations supported under this budget heading, but it is not possible to reimburse any expenses of such persons

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for travel, accommodation, subsistence or staff costs. Nor can these costs count toward the applicant's own contribution.

# Who administers the budget line?

This Budget Line is administered by: Call for proposals VP/2008/002 Budget heading 04.03.03.02 European Commission – DG EMPL/F.1 J-54 00/093 B-1049 Brussels Belgium

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