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EU/UN Women program “Implementing Norms, Changing Minds” Informative session for potential applicants

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About the project

- ▶ Regional program (6 Western Balkan countries and Turkey) financed by the EU, €5,681.220,39. BiH component = €550.005,71; 60% to CSOs
- ▶ Focus on marginalized groups of women
- ▶ 3 objectives:
 - 1) To create an enabling legislative and policy environment in line with international standards on eliminating violence against women and all forms of discrimination.
 - 2) To promote favorable social norms and attitudes and prevent discrimination and violence against women.
 - 3) To empower women and girls (including those from disadvantaged groups) who have experienced discrimination or violence to advocate for and use available, accessible and quality services.

Calls for Proposals for CSOs

- ▶ 4 Calls for Proposals aimed at CSOs, as follows:
- ▶ Objective 1
 - Support to national platforms to monitor the implementation of CEDAW and the Istanbul Convention
 - Technical assistance to CSOs and governments to review/reform legislation and/or policies at sub-national level in accordance with international standards

Call for Proposals for CSOs

► Objective 2

- 1) Baseline and end-line study of current and dominant attitudes, perceptions, opinions and beliefs toward gender equality and violence against women at community level
- 2) Innovative awareness-raising initiatives to address negative attitudes and stereotyping resulting in discrimination and violence – Gender Lab

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► Objective 3

- Strengthening capacities of providers of general and specialist support services for survivors of all forms of violence to implement the standards enshrined in CEDAW, the Istanbul Convention and global standards and guidelines for essential services
- Promotion of the use of services among women from minority and disadvantaged groups

Guidelines for application

Eligibility

- ▶ Objective 1
 - Women's CSOs/ Women's CSOs networks and platforms that have specialized knowledge, expertise and track record of working in women's human rights and ending violence against women
 - Women's CSOs/ Women's CSOs networks and platforms with track record in monitoring international human rights treaties and conventions, and more specifically Istanbul Convention and CEDAW
- ▶ Objective 2 – Baseline/endline
 - CSOs with track record in social science research, studies of knowledge, attitudes and practices on gender based violence and discrimination, and data collection and analysis
- ▶ Objective 2 – Innovative approaches to prevention
 - Women's CSOs/ Women's CSOs network and platforms with track record in working on prevention of VAWG, work with men and boys, and gender innovation
- ▶ Objective 3
 - Women's CSOs/ Women's CSOs network and platforms with track record in working in service provision to survivors of VAW and domestic violence, referral mechanisms and multi-sectoral coordination

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Important notes

- ▶ Each application can only be submitted by a single organization.
- ▶ Proposals from more than one organization or entity must clearly indicate which organization will take lead responsibility for project management and contractual obligations.
- ▶ Transfer of funds by the Applicant Organization to UN Agencies, private sector entities, International NGOs and International Organizations will not be allowed.
- ▶ UN Women will sign contracts with and disburse funds to the applicant organization only.
- ▶ Eligible organizations currently partnering with UN Women may apply under this call for proposals.
- ▶ Maximum budget amount per grant/organization is EUR 60.000
- ▶ **Deadline: 06 September 2017**

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Criteria for evaluation

Proposals passing the eligibility criteria (see above) will be scored against the following:

- ▶ **Relevance of the proposal (20 points):** quality of the context analysis and pertinence of the proposed activities against expected results;
- ▶ **Implementation strategies (30 points):** linking local implementation to national, regional and international commitments; using a rights-based approach; encouraging strategic partnerships; and engaging excluded/marginalized groups;
- ▶ **Added value elements (20 points):** previous work on CEDAW and Istanbul Convention monitoring and reporting, and past and ongoing engagement with groups working with or representing disadvantaged/marginalized groups of women;
- ▶ **Budget Proposal (20 points);**
- ▶ **Innovative approaches (10 points).**

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Selection process

- ▶ Proposals will be selected on the basis of technical and financial assessments.
- ▶ The technical assessment will review extent to which the proposal fulfills the requirements of the Call, experience in the area of gender equality and ending violence against women: soundness of a strategy, proposed activities and budget, and partnerships.
- ▶ Following the technical and financial assessment of the proposal, UN Women will conduct an in-depth NGO Capacity Assessment to assess NGOs risk-based monitoring and reporting, robust auditing and evaluation, and improved fraud awareness and prevention
- ▶ Following the process to assess and select implementing partners, a Standard Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) will be signed between UN Women and the selected NGO\implementing partner.
- ▶ The selected organizations will be accountable to UN Women to: manage resources to achieve the expected results specified in the project documents, in accordance with UN Women Financial Regulations and Rules; undertake planned procurement according to UN Women Procurement Policies and Procedures; maintain an up-to-date accounting system to ensure accuracy and reliability of financial reporting; send expenditure reports on a quarterly basis (or as appropriate) to the signed; and prepare for programme monitoring, reviews, reporting, and evaluation

Send your applications in
English together with all the
annexes to:

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Thank you