

Scientific Cooperation and Assistance Directorate

ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS

1. INTRODUCTION

Article 5 (2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2230/2004 foresees that financial support for tasks entrusted to organisations on the article 36 list shall take the form of grants awarded in accordance with EFSA's financial regulation and implementing rules. Based on these rules the grants shall be subject to a public annual work programme which, as a rule, will be implemented through the publication of calls for proposals.

2. BASIC ACT AND FINANCING SOURCE

- Basic Act: Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council article 36 and Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2230/2004.
- Budget lines: 3001, 3011, 3021, 3031, 3041, 3051, 3061, 3071, 3081, 3091, 3101, 3111, 3121, 3131, 3141, 3144, 3151, 3211.

3. TASKS TO BE ENTRUSTED, THE OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED, AND PRIORITY AREAS

- a. Support for the examination of authorisation dossiers, in the areas of plant protection products, and genetically modified organisms.
- b. Preparatory work for risk assessment in the areas of emerging risks, animal health and welfare, biological hazards, plant health, toxicology, and contaminants.
- c. Data collection and analysis supporting risk assessment and risk monitoring, in the areas of emerging risks, food composition, probability risk assessment, plant protection products, food classification and harmonisation of data.

4. ELIGIBILITY OF THE APPLICANTS

- The applicants must be on the list adopted by the Management Board of EFSA on the 20th of December 2006 as updated (implying fulfillment of the criteria set in the Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2230/2004);
- The applicants shall not be, at the time of a grant award procedure, in one of the situations referred to in Articles 93 and 94 of the Financial Regulation (Council Regulation (EC) No. 1605/2002) as amended.

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5. SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA

The eligible proposals will be evaluated against the selection criteria indicated in each specific call. In general there are two sets of selection criteria to be assessed:

- 1. Financial capacity
- 2. Technical capacity

The proposals which meet the selection criteria will be evaluated against the award criteria indicated in each specific call. In general there are three sets of award criteria to be assessed:

- 1. Quality of the proposal
- 2. Quality of the management
- 3. Cost effectiveness

6. MAXIMUM RATE OF CO-FINANCING

Up to 80% of the eligible costs

7. SCHEDULE OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS FOR 2010

Launch of calls for proposals: October 2009 – October 2010¹

8. INDICATIVE AMOUNTS AVAILABLE FOR CALLS FOR PROPOSALS FOR 2010

- a) Support for the examination of authorisation dossiers: Calls will be launched for approximately 300 000 €.
- b) Preparatory work for risk assessment: Calls will be launched for approximately 1 290 000 €.
- c) Data collection and analysis supporting risk assessment and risk monitoring: Calls will be launched for approximately 1 475 000 €.

<u>SIGNATURE</u> <u>DATE</u>

(signed) Parma, 08. 10. 2009

Prof. Diána Bánáti, Chair

¹ In case a project tendering is launched before the official approval of the budget, a respective clause will be added to indicate that the project is subject to the approval of EFSA 2010 budget by the European Parliament and no grants/contract will be awarded before such approval.