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RS-Belgrade: IPA — support to the social inclusion of the most vulnerable groups, including Roma, through more diversified community-based social services 2012/S 243-398316

Location: Europe (non-EU) — Serbia

Contract forecast notice

Services

Common procurement vocabulary (CPV): Main object: 85320000 Social services — DA28 Social service Additional object(s): 98000000 Other community, social and personal services

- 1. Publication reference:
 - EuropeAid/133783/C/SER/RS.
- 2. **Procedure:** Restricted.
- 3. **Programme:** IPA.

4. Financing: Financing agreement.

- 5. **Contracting authority:** European Union, represented by the European Commission, on behalf of and for the account of the beneficiary country, Belgrade, SERBIA.
- 6. Nature of contract:

Fee-based.

7. Contract description:

Provision of technical assistance to the Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Policy (MoLESP) and other relevant national stakeholders to support social inclusion policies and development of the range and quality of community-based social services for vulnerable and disadvantaged groups, including Roma, through cross-sectoral approaches and local partnership-based initiatives.

The expert team shall support capacity building in managing social inclusion policies and services; training on community-based social inclusion initiatives addressing identified needs of local vulnerable population, including active inclusion initiatives for the Roma population; supporting local self-governments (LSGs) applying for grants to develop quality proposals which meet the multidimensional needs of vulnerable and disadvantaged populations; support the MoLESP in implementing and monitoring a grant scheme for LSGs to support delivery of community-based social inclusion services; technical assistance to MoLESP to steer social inclusion policies based on functional analysis and EU best practices; technical assistance to relevant national institutions in mainstreaming and monitoring innovative and cross-sector community-based services through the

development of joint national standards; capacity building for social service providers; further improvement and implementation of procedures, criteria and guidelines for earmarked transfers to LSGs.

8. Numbers and titles of lots:

The contract is divided into lots: No, 1 lot only.

9. Budget:

Maximum budget: 1 500 000 EUR.

- 10. Intended timing of publication of procurement notice: January 2013.
- 11. Additional information: Not applicable.

12. Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006 of 17.7.2006 establishing an Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA).

13. Date of dispatch of this notice: 4.12.2012.

<u>Remarks:</u>

There must be a minimum period of 30 calendar days between the publication of this contract forecast and the publication of the corresponding procurement notice.

No applications or requests for information should be sent at this stage.