

# European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights

Country-based support scheme

Information session

Call reference 151464





## Information session agenda

08h30 Welcome remarks

08h45 – 10h30 Presentation of the EIDHR and the Call for Proposals

Tea Break

10h45 – 12h30 Presentation (continuation)

12h30 - 13:00 Questions & Answers





### The EIDHR globally

European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights

Global priority areas for support:

- Pursue common agendas for human rights and democratic reform;
- Build consensus on disputed or controversial areas of policy;
- Enhance political representation and participation;
- Enhance the inclusiveness and pluralism of civil society;
- Increase safety structures for human rights defenders;
- Counter worrying trends of shrinking space for civil society;
- ➤ Enhance the fight against torture, ill-treatment, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;
- > Enhance the rule of law and good governance; and
- Economic and social rights





# Presentation/explanation of the EIDHR Call for Proposals (CfPs) Guidelines





### Disclaimer for this presentation

Please note that this presentation is an **extract** of information from the Guidelines for the Call for Proposals. The presentation does not reflect all the information contained therein.

The Guidelines for the Call for Proposal is the **only** legally valid document. It is the responsibility of the applicant to read the full Guidelines and its annexes.





#### **Procedure – Phase 1**

- 1. Publication of the Call for Proposals
- 2. The applicant submits, via PROSPECT, the concept note (Annex A.1 of the Grant Application Form)
- 3. Selection process (EU Delegation):
- Administrative check: the concept note is submitted in time, duly completed, dated and signed.
- Eligibility check: the proposed action complies with the eligibility criteria
- Evaluation of the concept note: using the evaluation grid in the Guidelines for the Call for Proposals (pages 22-23)



#### Procedure – Phase 2

- 1. EU Delegation invites the pre-selected Concept Notes to submit a full proposal by a deadline (Annex A.2 of the Grant Application Form)
- 2. The applicant submits, via PROSPECT, the full proposal (Annex A.2 of the Grant Application Form)
- 3. Selection process (EU Delegation):
- Administrative check: the full proposal is submitted in time, duly completed, dated and signed.
- Eligibility check: the proposed action complies with the eligibility criteria
- Evaluation of the full proposal: using the evaluation grid in the Guidelines for the Call for Proposals (pages 25-26)
- 4. Contract preparation and signature





## Calendar (1)

#### **Key Dates and times with no flexibility**

•Deadline for requesting clarifications from the EU: 17 June 2016 via email to: Delegation-Botswana-cfp@eeas.europa.eu

•Deadline for EU to respond requests for clarification: 27 June 2016

Clarifications will be published on:

http://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/botswana and

https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/onlineservices/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome

•Deadline electronic submission of Concept Notes: 8 July 2016 at 10.00 hrs











This time applications will be online!



Online submission for applicants











## Calendar (2)

#### **Provisional dates**

 Information to applicants on evaluation of concept notes and

invitation to submit full proposal to pre-selected ones: 22 July 2016

Deadline for submission of full proposal:
 15 September 2016

Information to applicants on evaluation full proposals: 14 October 2016

Notification of award:
 31 October 2016

• Contract signature: 31 January 2017

For details, see **Section 2.5.2** in the Guidelines for applicants





## **Key EIDHR CfP information**

Overall indicative amount under this Call for Proposals:

€ 340.000

Any grant must request:

minimum € 50,000 and maximum € 113,000 and minimum 51% of total eligible costs of the action and maximum 95%

Duration of the action:

minimum 18 months and maximum 24 months

Actions must take place in Botswana.





### Who can apply?

An applicant must fulfill all of the following criteria:

- ✓ be a legal person or an entity without legal personality; and
- ✓ be non-profit making; and
- ✓ be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary; and
- ✓ be able to demonstrate that they have regularly carried out activities in the field of human rights and democracy at least during the last two years at the time of submission of an application; and

Eligible applicants having a nationality other than that of Botswana must act together with at least one national organisation acting as a co-applicant or as an affiliate.

For details, see **Section 2.1.1.** in guidelines





## Who can apply?

Applicants must belong to one of the following categories:

- ✓ be civil society organisations, including nongovernmental non-profit organisations and independent political foundations, community-based organisations and private-sector non-profit agencies, institutions and organisations and networks thereof; or
- ✓ be international inter-governmental organisations, as defined by Article 43 of the Rules of application of the EU Financial Regulation, applying together with any other eligible applicant.









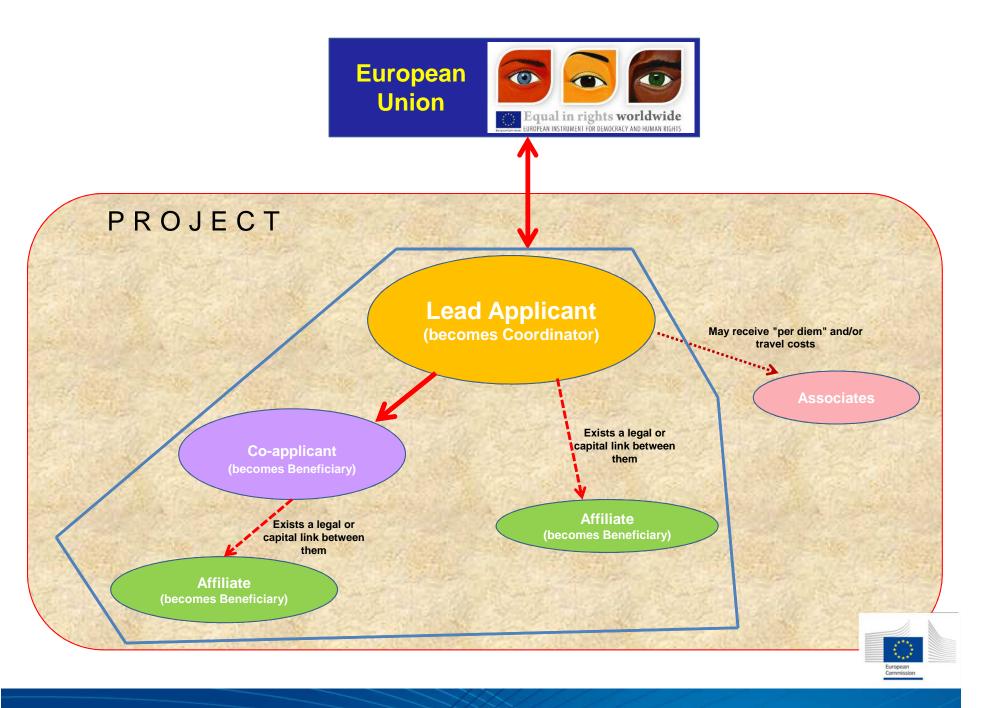


## **Applying together?**

#### Organizations are encouraged to apply together.

- A co-applicant participates in the design and implementation. The same eligibility criteria as for the applicant apply (see previous slide).
- A co-applicant is part of the grant contract together with the applicant. The
  applicant is the counterpart of the EU delegation on behalf of all the
  beneficiaries.
- An affiliated entity participates in the design and implementation, and has to fulfill the same eligibility criteria as other applicants.
- An affiliated entity is not part of the grant contract. An affiliated entity therefore has no direct link to the EU delegation.
- An associate can be involved in implementation, but cannot receive funding from the grant other than per diems or travel costs.
- Please note that all the above categories must be part of the application. Coapplicants, affiliated entities and associates cannot be added at a later s

For details see **sections 2.1.1**, **2.1.2** and **2.1.3** in the Guidelines.





# How many applications and how many applicants per grant?

- An applicant may only submit 2 (two) applications under this call for proposals. However, an applicant can only get 1 (one) grant under this call. An applicant can be a co-applicant or an affiliated entity in another application at the same time.
- A co-applicant may only submit 2 (two) proposals under this call for proposals. A co-applicant may be an affiliated entity in another application at the same time.
- Affiliated entities may not take part in more than 2 (two) applications.





## Budget: When, how, what, what not







#### **Budget: When and how**

#### **IMPORTANT:**

PHASE 1: CONCEPT NOTE: The concept note has to include **ONLY** an estimate of the requested EU contribution and the percentage of that amount in respect of the total cost of the action.

No detailed budget is needed at this stage.

PHASE 2: FULL PROPOSAL: The applicants invited to submit full proposal will have to prepare a detailed budget using the template published in the call for proposal (Annex B). The EU contribution may not vary from the Concept Note by more than 20%

For details see **sections 2.2.1** and **2.2.5** of the Guidelines for applicants





## **Budget: What costs can be covered?**

- Direct Costs: They can be identified directly to the implementation of the action. In other words, the organisation would not have them if it would not implement the action (e.g. cost of staff working on the project, organisation of the activities implementing the project, evaluation, audit...)
- **Indirect Costs:** They are not specific to the implementation of the action but with the running of the organisation (e.g. typically utilities, rent, office supplies...)
- Contingency Reserve: Reserve set aside to provide some flexibility if there are unforeseen circumstances. It can be used only with the prior approval of the European Union.





### **Budget: Direct Costs**

They may be based on any or a combination of the following forms:

Actual costs incurred by the beneficiary

and/or

**Simplified cost options** (based on estimates):

Unit costs (e.g. unit cost per month for supporting staff)

Lump sums (e.g. global cost for the production of a video)

Flat rate for certain costs (e.g. maintenance costs for the office charged as % of staff costs working in the office)

If "simplified cost options" are applied, the applicant has to describe in detail the information and methods used to establish the amounts, to which costs they refer, formulas used for the calculations, etc.



## **Budget: Indirect Costs and Contingency**

- Indirect costs: maximum 7% of the direct costs. They can be claimed provided that they do not include costs already declared under another cost item.
- Contingency reserve: maximum 5% of the eligible costs. This amount can be used only with the prior written authorization from the Contracting Authority.
- In kind contributions: it is not an eligible cost.

For details see **section 2.1.5** in the Guidelines for applicants.





### Co-financing (1)

- The European Union can fund between 51% and 95% of the action for a period between 18 to 24 months
- The remaining part of the action, from 49% to 5% has to be covered by other funding sources
- Contributions in kind are not considered as other funding sources





## Co-financing (2)

#### How to calculate the EU contribution:

#### **Example 1:**

Maximum contribution from the EU	113,000 EUR
Own co-financing (min 5%)	5,948 EUR
Total amount for application	118,948 EUR

#### **Example 2:**

Minimum contribution from the EU	50,000 EUR
Own co-financing (min 5%)	2,632 EUR
Total amount for application	52,632 EUR





## **Budget: Some tips on how to prepare it**

- Be realistic with the figures budgeted.
- Learn from other projects/actions already implemented.
- Make sure the budget tells the same story as the narrative of the action.
- Identify the absolute "must-have costs" to get the action up and running.
- Direct Costs vs. Indirect Costs:
  - Direct costs: directly linked to the action. The organisation would not have them if it would not implement the action
  - Indirect costs: they are not specific to the implementation of the action but with the running of the organisation (e.g. utilities, rent, office supplies...)



## **Objectives of the EIDHR CfP**

#### The **global objective** of this call for proposals is:

 To increase and deepen civil society organisations' engagement in human rights and democracy in Botswana and to channel that into concrete actions in selected priority areas.





## 1<sup>st</sup> Specific Objective







## **2<sup>nd</sup> Specific Objective**







# From the United Nations Declaration on the rights of Indigenous Peoples:

Article 18: Indigenous peoples have the right to **participate** in decision- making in matter which would affect their rights, trough representatives they have chosen by themselves in accordance with their own procedures, as well as to maintain and develop their own decision-making institutions

Article 21:1: Indigenous peoples have the right, without discrimination, to the improvement of their economic and social conditions, including, inter alia, in the areas of education, employment, vocational training, and retraining, housing, sanitation, health and social security.

Etc.



## International conventions and other documents that relate to the rights of indigenous peoples include (non-exhaustive list):

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights <a href="http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CESCR.aspx">http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CESCR.aspx</a>

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
<a href="http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CCPR.aspx">http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CCPR.aspx</a>

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples <a href="http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/IPeoples/Pages/Declaration.aspx">http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/IPeoples/Pages/Declaration.aspx</a>

Report of the Special Rapporteur on Indigenous People - Botswana <a href="https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/G10/139/68/PDF/G1013968.pdf?OpenElement">https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/G10/139/68/PDF/G1013968.pdf?OpenElement</a>





#### **3rd Specific Objective**













#### The Rights aspects of Sexual and Reproductive Health

#### What are these rights?

Women's sexual and reproductive health is related to multiple human rights, including:

- ✓ the right to life;
- ✓ the right to be free from torture;
- ✓ the right to health;
- ✓ the right to privacy;
- ✓ the right to education; and
- ✓ the prohibition of discrimination.





#### How are these rights violated?

- Denial of access to services (eg contraceptives) or services of poor quality (eg maternal mortality);
- Subjecting women's access to services to third party authorization (eg abortion process);
- Performance of procedures without the woman's consent (eg forced sterilization);
- Early marriage;
- Female genital mutilation;
- Societal norms focussing on women's ability to reproduce;
- Teenage pregnancy;
- Sexual violence; and
- Lack of access to relevant information.





#### What do international instruments say about these rights?

Convention in the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW):

Article 16: Guarantees women equal rights in deciding "freely and responsibly on the number and spacing of their children and to have access to information, education and means to enable them to exercise these rights".

Article 10: Specifies women's right to education including "access to specific educational information to help ensure the health and well-being of families, including information and advice on family planning".

#### Link to CEDAW:

http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/





#### Other relevant links to documents regarding SRHR:

http://www.unfpa.org/publications/international-conference-populationand-development-programme-action

http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Issues/Women/WRGS/SexualHealth/INFO\_Contra\_FamPlan\_WEB.pdf

http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Issues/Women/WRGS/SexualHealth/INFO\_Abortion\_WEB.pdf

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Value added elements will be given weight in the evaluation undertaken by the evaluation committee (concept note evaluation grid, evaluation criteria 1.4).





### Actions targeting deprived and remote areas outside Gaborone

Often the discussion of human rights issues can be rather isolated to privileged groups the main urban centres, but it is equally important in other settings.







### Actions that form relevant partnerships in order to achieve greater impact and outreach

For example, partnering with a committee of parliament is important if legislation is an objective for the action. If outreach on civic education is the objective, partnerships with community based organisations will be critical.







## Actions that use innovative methods to promote human rights

The radio, social media and the internet used in innovative ways towards the objectives of the call in order to reach other and/or larger groups and geographic areas.







#### What are we **not** looking for?

Under this instrument the EU will not fund proposals that intend to provide services to the target groups.

It will eg **not** fund health services for the target groups in the call or services for orphans and vulnerable children.

It may fund activities that advocate for the rights of the target populations to access these services and interventions that will facilitate such access.





#### **Ineligible actions**

- •Actions concerned only or mainly with individual sponsorships for participation in workshops, seminars, conferences and congresses;
- Actions concerned only or mainly with individual scholarships for studies or training courses;
- •One-off conferences or workshops. Conferences may be funded only if they form part of a wider range of activities to be implemented in the project timeframe;
- Actions supporting political parties;
- Actions including (religious) proselytising;
- •Core funding for the applicant or its partners.





#### Initial considerations (1)

Before you fill in the proposal template, ask yourself:

- •Is your organisation eligible for this CfP (see 2.1 Eligibility Criteria)?
- •Do the CfP priorities correspond with the vision, mission and values of your organisation?

Think in terms of impact:

•What will be the added value of the proposed project for the protection and promotion of human rights and democracy, in view of what is already done?





#### **Initial considerations (2)**

#### Consider the limitations of the CfP:

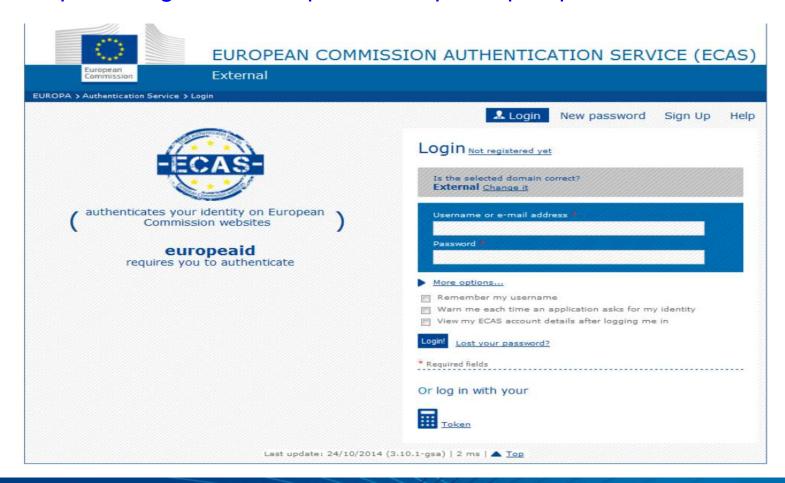
- Will your action be feasible in the EIDHR time frame (from 18 to 24 months)?
- Will it be feasible given the estimated **grant amounts** (50,000 to 113,000 Euros)?
- Does your organisation have the necessary capacity: human resources, project management and expertise/experience?
- Does your organisation have the required track-record of having been operational for at least 24 months?
- Can your organisation demonstrate the sustainability of the project results after the end of the grant?





#### **PROSPECT Process**

Applications to be electronically submitted in **PROSPECT**<a href="https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prospect">https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prospect</a>







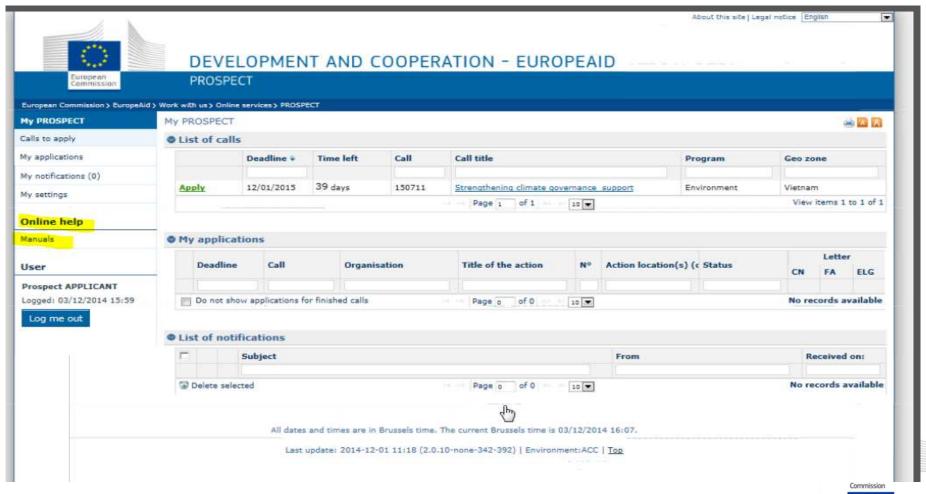
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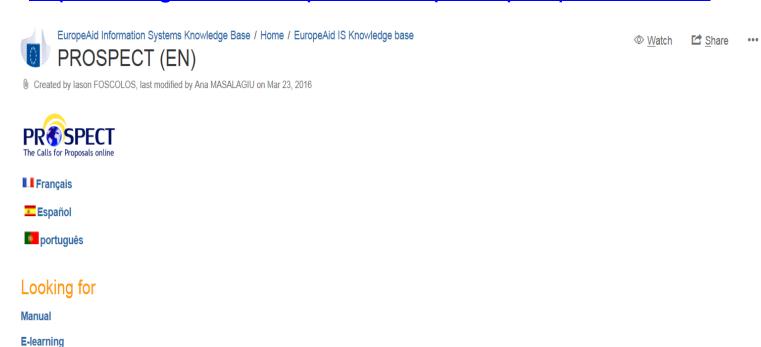


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#### **About PROSPECT**

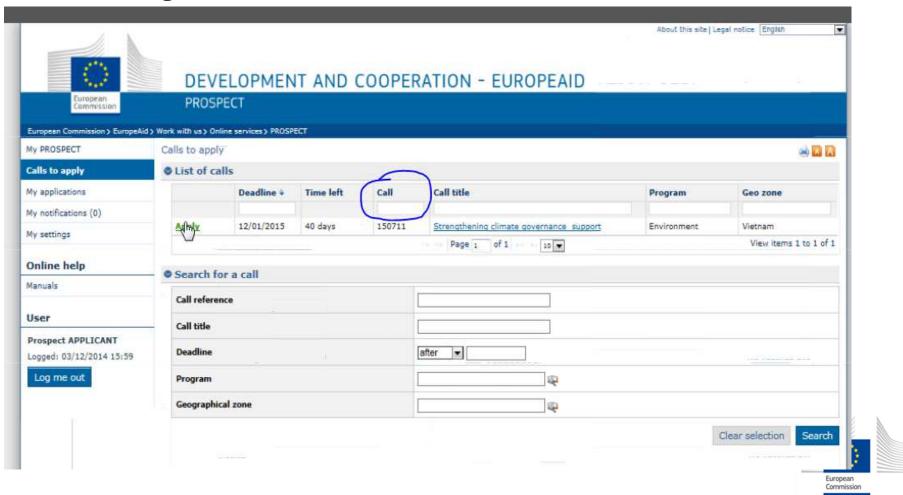
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Presentation on PROSPECT

PROSPECT is an electronic system developed for the management of calls for proposals in the field of external action.



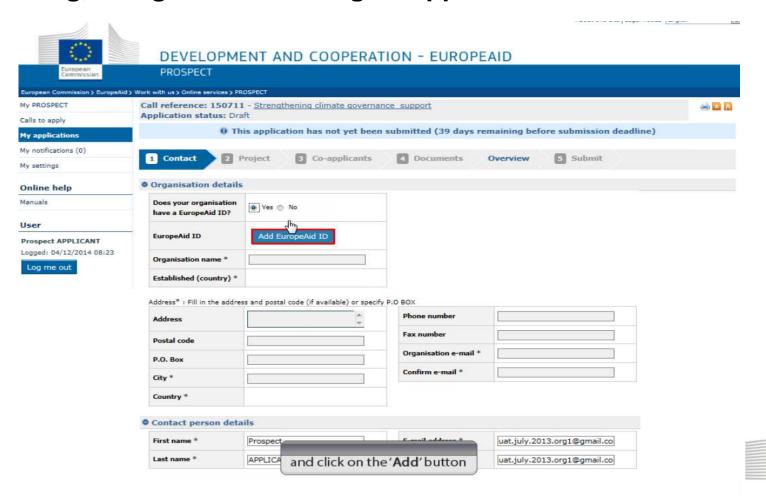


#### Searching for the call 151464





#### Creating, filling and submitting an application



Commission



#### **PHASE 1: Concept note using PROSPECT:**

- 1. Fill in the information in the tabs: contact, project, co-applicants (if applicable)
- 2. Upload the following documents using the "Documents" tab:
  - Annex A.1. Concept Note duly completed
  - ☐ Declaration by the lead applicant duly completed, dated and signed (section 2 of the concept note)
  - Annex F: PADOR off-line form in case the applicant cannot register online to the PADOR database
- 3. Submit the application electronically





#### PROSPECT – Technical problems???

Send an email to the IT HELPDESK:

EuropeAid-IT-support@ec.europa.eu





#### **PHASE 2: Full proposal using PROSPECT:**

- Fill in/update the information in the tabs: contact, project, coapplicants (if applicable)
- 2. Upload the following documents using the "Documents" tab:
  - Annex A.2. Full Aplication Form duly completed
  - □ Declaration by the lead applicant (and mandates from co-applicants/affiliates if applicable) duly completed, dated and signed (section 5 of the full application form)
  - Annex B: Budget (excel format)
  - □ Annex C: Logical framework
- 3. Submit the application electronically





#### Reminders

- Provide all relevant information in the Annexes no supplementary annexes will be accepted.
- The application must be completed in English.
- Application in hard copy will only be accepted if it is technically impossible to submit online (please see 2.2.2).
- Hand-written applications will never be accepted.





## More information sessions and training opportunities:

#### Information sessions:

Gaborone, 3 June 2016
Gantsi, 6 June 2016
Maun, 7 June 2016
Francistown, 9 June 2016
Palapye, 10 June 2016





## More information sessions and training opportunities (continued)

 If necessary, additional information sessions may be arranged.
 These will be advertised on the EU Delegation's website (<a href="http://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/botswana">http://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/botswana</a>)





# Thank you for your attention. We look forward to your proposals!

