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INSTRUMENT FOR STABILITY PEACE BUILDING PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL ACTION PROGRAMME 2013 Support to in-country actors to prevent and respond to crises in fragile and conflict-affected situations

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The Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Tajikistan is seeking proposals for supporting actions in Tajikistan, GBAO region with financial assistance from the Programme " Peace Building Partnership Programme".

The full Guidelines for Applicants are available for consultation on the following internet site:https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome andhttp://eeas.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome and

The deadline for submission of proposals is 16 May 2014, 16:30 Dushanbe time.

An information session on this call for proposals will be held on 9 April 2014 at 10:00 in the EU Delegation office (74 Adhamov Str, Dushanbe, Tajikistan. Tel: (+992 37) 2217407, (44) 600-80-90) The language of the information session is Russian and English.

Prior registration via email is mandatory. Deadline to register is 08 April 2014. Only registered potential applicants, maximum two persons per organisation, will be allowed to participate in the information session. Emails should be addressed to: DELEGATION-TAJIKISTAN-TENDERS@eeas.europa.eu, indicating in the subject "Information session EuropeAid/IFS-RRM/135485/L/ACT/TJ _<name organisation attending the session>". The name and position of the two representatives of the organisation attending the session should be indicated in the text. The final number of participants is subject to the European Union Delegation's decision.

The European Union, composed of 28 Member States, is the world's biggest aid donor. Tajikistan got the main share of bilateral assistance in the Central Asian region (€66 million for 2007-2010 and 62 million for 2011-2013) in support to sector programmes, technical assistance and grants. It focuses on social protection, health and private sector development, underpinned by public finance management. Tajikistan also receives regional and thematic assistance in areas like border management and drug control (BOMCA/CADAP), education (TEMPUS, Erasmus Mundus), water / environment, migration, human rights and democracy (EIDHR), non-State actors (NSA) and SME development (CA-Invest). The EU is active in Tajikistan since 1992 and provides approximately EUR 25 million annually in development assistance.

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