### WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS

# of the Office of EU Representative West Bank and Gaza Strip, Support to the Governance Sector in Palestine<sup>1</sup>

### 1. Basic act and/or Financing source

European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI). Commission Implementing Decision on the Annual Action Programme 2014, Support to the Governance Sector in Palestine

Reference: EUROPEAID/ENI/136-503/L/ACT/PS

#### 2. Objectives of the programme, priorities and expected results

The **overall objective** is to build up a Palestinian State based on the Rule of Law and respect for human rights within a functioning deep democracy and with strong, effective accountable institutions at national and local levels.

**Specifically**, the programme aims to improve access to justice for all citizens and to promote democratic culture and social cohesion

#### **Priorities** to be addressed are:

- (i) improving access to justice for all citizens;
- (ii) promoting democratic culture and social cohesion

#### 3. Eligibility conditions

In order to be eligible for a grant, the applicant must:

- be legal persons and
- be non-profit making and
- be a local non-governmental organisation, with Headquarters in Palestine and officially registered with the Palestinian competent authorities and founded at least 2 years before the launching date of the Call and which may wish to cooperate with European-based organisations or European public-sector operators or international (inter-governmental) organisations as defined by Article 43 of the Implementing Rules to the EC Financial Regulation;
- or, be an European-based organisation, established in a Member State of the European Union or Member State of the European Economic Area, officially registered and founded at least 3 years before the launching date of the Call and necessarily act with co-applicant(s) that are local civil society organisations from Palestine (mandatory);
- or, be an international organisation and necessarily act with co-applicant(s) that are local civil society organisations from Palestine (mandatory);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> \* This designation does not entail any recognition of Palestine as a state and is without prejudice to positions on the recognition of Palestine as a state.

• 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.

#### 4. Selection and award criteria

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the Practical Guide.

## **5. Maximum rate of European Union financing**

Minimum percentage: 51 % of the total eligible costs of the action.

The maximum possible rate of co-financing under these grants is 80% for international and European-based organisations and 90% for local organisations.

## 6. Indicative time-schedule of calls for proposals

The Call for Proposals is expected to be launched in February 2015.

## 7. Indicative amount of calls for proposals

Approx.: 4,000,000 EUR.