# WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS

## of the Office of the EU Representative (West Bank and Gaza Strip),

# in collaboration jointly with the EU Delegation to Israel and the EU Delegation to Jordan

## **EU Partnership for Peace Programme 2014**

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

European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI). Commission Implementing Decision on the Annual Action Programme 2014 – Part 2 in favour of the ENI South countries.

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

The **overall objective** of the EU Partnership for Peace Programme is to promote conditions for a resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and provide a solid foundation at the societal level for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East, by strengthening and increasing direct civil society relationships and co-operation based on equality and reciprocity between Palestinians and Israelis.

**Specifically**, the programme aims at:

- 1. Promote civil society peace building and conflict transformation actions, via initiatives which are likely to have an impact on people's everyday lives and attitudes.
- 2. Support practical actions aiming at building mutual trust through reconciliation, building capacity for non-violent approaches to conflict resolution, promoting tolerance, combatting incitement to violence, empowering marginalized parties and launching joint development actions and strategies.
- 3. Strengthen direct civil society relationships and co-operation based on equality and reciprocity between Palestinians and Israelis.

**Priorities** to be addressed are:

Priority 1: "negotiated political resolutions", for actions aiming at making an impoact on the political sphere.

Priority 2: "Culture for peace", for actions aiming at promoting tolerance, mutual understanding and confidence both internally (national level) and externally (cross-community level).

Priority 3: "Joints efforts towards development", for actions addressing local practical and strategic needs in terms of socio-economic development and quality of life of the most conflict affected communities, so as to help maintain the conditions for the viability of the two-state solution.

### **3. Eligibility conditions**

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

- be a legal person **and**
- be non-profit-making **and**
- be a specific type of organisation such as: non-governmental organisation, public sector operator, local authority, international (inter-governmental) organisation as defined by Article 43 of the Rules of application of the EU Financial Regulation1. and
- be established<sup>2</sup> in a Member State of the European Union or one of the ENI South Countries<sup>3</sup> or a country that is beneficiary of Pre-Accession Assistance<sup>4</sup> or a Member State of the European Economic Area (EEA)<sup>5</sup> (this obligation does not apply to international organisations) **and**
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the coapplicant(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: 50 % of the total eligible costs of the action. Maximum percentage: 80 % of the total eligible costs of the action.

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

The Call for Proposals is expected to be launched by January 2015.

### 7. Indicative amount of calls for proposals

Approx.: 4.400.00 EUR.

<sup>1</sup> International organisations are international public-sector organisations set up by intergovernmental agreements as well as specialised agencies set up by them; the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the International Federation of National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies are also recognised as international organisations.

<sup>2</sup> To be determined on the basis of the organisation's statutes which should demonstrate that it has been established by an instrument governed by the national law of the country concerned. In this respect, any legal entity whose statutes have been established in another country cannot be considered an eligible local organisation, even if the statutes are registered locally or a "Memorandum of Understanding" has been concluded.

<sup>3</sup> Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine\*, Syria, Tunisia..The eligibility criteria formulated in Commission Notice Nr. 2013/C-205/05 (OJEU C-205 of 19.07.2013) shall apply to this call for proposals. This notice, entitled "Guidelines on the eligibility of Israeli entities and their activities in the territories occupied by Israel since June 1967 for grants, prizes and financial instruments funded by the EU from 2014 onwards", can be consulted at: http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legalcontent/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C\_.2013.205.01.0009.01.ENG.

<sup>4</sup> Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey.

<sup>5</sup> Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway

<sup>\*</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.