

The Support Programme to the Africa-EU Migration and Mobility Dialogue

(MMD III)

GRANT FACILITY

1. CALL FOR PROPOSALS – Full Application Stage

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Note 1: *The Clarification Note is available in English and French, with the English version prevailing.*

ICMPD would like to inform prospective applicants about the following update in the abovementioned Call for Proposals.

Please see below the details of the changes in Call for Proposals documentation:

(1) Call for Proposal Guidelines (file: MMD III_1. Call for Proposals_Guidelines for Applicants_EN.pdf) has been updated.

- **Under the headline "Eligibility of Costs: costs that can be included, Eligible Direct Costs", Section 2.4 of the Guidelines for Applicants, the following paragraph:**

"The expenditure verification shall be performed by the auditor contracted by the applicant. However, ICMPD sets the Terms of Reference for the auditing exercise and reserves the right to suggest a list of preselected auditing companies, as referenced in the General Conditions. The applicant should include in the specific line of the budget the costs related to the expenditure verification."

has been revised as:

"The expenditure verification shall be performed by an auditor contracted by ICMPD. Please refer to Article 15.6 of the General Conditions (Annex II to the Grant Contract) for further details. The applicant should thus not include in the budget any costs related to expenditure verification."

- Under the headline "Eligibility of Costs: costs that can be included, Ineligible Direct Costs", Section 2.4 of the Guidelines for Applicants, the following cost added as ineligible:

"h. financial assistance to third parties"

- Under the headline "Full Application", Section 3.9 of the Guidelines for Applicants, the following text regarding Co-Applicants requirements has been added:

"Co-applicants may be added, removed or replaced, provided that such changes are adequately justified. When introducing a new co-applicant, whether as an addition or as a replacement for an existing co-applicant, it is required to submit the Legal Entity Identification Form (Annex B) and the Statutes or Articles of Association for the newly added co-applicant(s)."

- Under the headline "Full Application", Section 3.9 of the Guidelines for Applicants, have been revised by adding the following texts:

Documents required for submission:

*"f. (if applicable) **The Legal Entity Identification Form (Annex B):** of any new co-applicant(s), whether they are being added to the consortium or replacing an existing co-applicant. These documents will be subject to Administrative and Eligibility checks."*

Supporting documents required for submission:

*"d. (if applicable) **The Statutes or Articles of Association:** of any new co-applicant(s), whether they are being added to the consortium or replacing an existing co-applicant. These documents will be subject to Administrative and Eligibility checks."*

- Under the headline "Clarifications and Correspondence", Section 3.11 of the Guidelines for Applicants, the following text has been added:

"If the feedback includes additional requirements, the applicant must address and fulfil these requirements during the full application process."

- The Indicative Timetable (Section 4.2. of the Guidelines) has been revised for the following items:

Original Indicative Timetable:

6. Deadline for requesting any clarifications from the Contracting Authority (for the Full Applications)	Within 15 days after invitation to submit full application
7. Last date on which clarifications are issued by the Contracting Authority	Within 20 days after invitation to submit full application
8. Deadline to submit Full Application	Within 30 calendar days from invitation to submit Full Application, 17:00 h

Revised Indicative Timetable:

6. Deadline for requesting any clarifications from the Contracting Authority (for the Full Applications)	18 September 2024, 17:00h Vienna local time
7. Last date on which clarifications are issued by the Contracting Authority	23 September 2024, 17:00h Vienna local time
8. Deadline to submit Full Application	03 October 2024, 17:00 h Vienna local time

- Under the headline "Where and how to submit a Full Application", Section 3.10 of the Guidelines for Applicants, the following sentence:

"Full Applications shall be submitted through the ICMPD electronic Application Platform, as outlined in Section 3.3, within 30 calendar days of receipt of the written invitation to submit full application."

has been revised as:

*"Full Applications shall be submitted through the ICMPD electronic Application Platform, as outlined in Section 3.3. The deadline for the submission is **03 October 2024, at 17:00h (Vienna local time)**. Any application submitted after the deadline will be rejected."*

- d. **Budget Template (Annex D) has been modified as follows:**

Budget line item 3.7, pertaining to Evaluation and Verification Costs, has been removed. Applicants should ensure that these costs are deducted from the previously estimated amounts outlined in their Concept Note application.

All other dates and conditions remain unchanged unless otherwise stated by the Contracting Authority.

The new versions of the application documents are available for download after logging in the electronic application platform.

Applicants must consider the updated versions when preparing and submitting their full application.