



European Union Programme for Employment and Social Innovation ADDENDUM #01 TO OPEN CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST Ref.: EaSI-BE/2016/01

Identification and selection of EaSI Technical Assistance Beneficiaries 2016 – 2017

The Open Call for Expression of Interest (EoI) Ref.: EaSI-BE/2016/01 for the identification and selection of EaSI Technical Assistance Beneficiaries 2016 – 2017 released on 20th of May 2016 and valid until 19th of May 2017, has been amended, effective from 23 March 2017, the date of publishing this addendum.

The Applicants of the Call should consider the following related to Sections 5.1. and 5.2 of Chapter 5 of the Call:

CHAPTER 5 APPLICATION

"SECTION 5.1. HOW APPLICATION MAY BE SUBMITTED

Microcredit Providers interested in applying to this Call for Eol shall submit an Expression of Interest as scanned copy by email on or before the final deadline date followed by the original in hardcopy by registered mail or professional courier service. The Application has to include all mandatory documents as set out in Section 5.4.

Applicants may send questions regarding the Call for EoI or the nature of the Technical Assistance. Such requests must indicate the Call for EoI reference number and the name of the Applicant and shall be submitted in English by e-mail to: easi.ta@fi-compass.eu. Answers to all questions will be provided to the Applicant not later than 10 calendar days after their submission, on the Applicant's e-mail address used to submit the questions. An analysis of such incoming questions will be made and the resulting answers may be published from time to time in the form of FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) documents posted at the EaSI fi-compass website https://www.fi-compass.eu/easi/eu-programme-employment-and-social-innovation-easi. EaSI TA reserves the right to update the FAQ documents from time to time as and when it regards appropriate.

EaSI TA will not contact any Applicant prior to the selection decision, unless it considers it necessary to clarify issues of a mere technical nature. However, should EaSI TA come across any errors, inaccuracies, omissions or any type of clerical defect in the text of the Call for EoI before the Deadline, or in case of additional or other documentation or clarifications requirements EaSI TA will correct the text and inform the Applicant accordingly."

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And

"Section 5.2. Language of the Application

The Expression of Interest, including related documents, shall be prepared in English. Applications in other languages will not be accepted."

Will be changed to:

"Section 5.2. Language of the Application

Applicants are encouraged to submit the Expression of Interest, including related documents in English in order to facilitate the treatment of the applications and speed up the evaluation process. It should be noted, however, that applications in the local language of the Applicant's country of origin can be accepted. At explicit request of potential applicants and upon approval of the EIB, the present Call can be translated into another language."

All other sections of the Call for EoI remain unchanged.

Luxembourg, 23 March 2017