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**EU PROGRAMME
FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SOLIDARITY (PROGRESS)
PROGRESS COMMITTEE**

Subject: Request for approval of the draft list of beneficiaries established as a result of the call for proposals JUST/2012/PROG/AG/AD

Written procedure 2013/PROGRESS/001

Deadline of the expiry of the procedure: 25 January 2013

Dear Member,

I am writing to you regarding the call for proposals in subject.

Objective of the call

The objectives of this call are to support national authorities in charge of equality and non discrimination of PROGRESS participating countries in:

- a) Developing their national policy to combat discrimination and promote equality beyond legislation;
- b) Fostering the dissemination of information on EU and national policy and legislation in the non discrimination field;
- c) Identifying best practices which could be transferable to other participating countries.

In this call, the Commission wishes to support activities which tackle at least one of the following **5 grounds of discrimination: race and ethnic origin, disability, age, religion or belief and sexual orientation.**

Funding from PROGRESS should complement existing or planned national activities in the field of non-discrimination. The applicant should explain how gender dimension was taken into account when planning and implementing the activities. The discrimination faced by especially vulnerable groups such as Roma should also be considered.

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Publication of the call

The above mentioned call for proposals was published on 08/05/2012.

The call was published on DG JUST website:

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/newsroom/grants/restricted_call_for_proposals_progress_antidiscrimination_diversity_action_grants_2012_en.htm

The final deadline to submit applications for this call was 30/08/2012. By this date, 40 proposals were received. Examination of the proposals has been carried out by an Evaluation Committee on the basis of the eligibility, selection and award criteria set out in the Call for Proposals JUST/2012/PROG/AG/AD (attached).

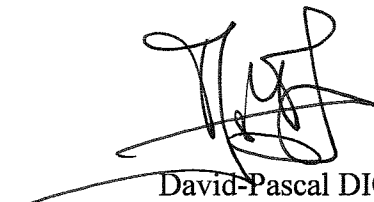
The Evaluation Committee agreed on a tentative list of 29 potential beneficiaries for a total maximum amount of € 4.543.755,80 and decided to place on a tentative reserve list 6 additional potential beneficiaries in case additional funding becomes available.

Approval of the draft list of beneficiaries

On the basis of the above, the Commission requests the PROGRESS Committee to approve the proposed list of pre-selected beneficiaries.

Copy of this note is also sent for information to the relevant national contact points for Section 4 of the PROGRESS Programme (Antidiscrimination and diversity).

Yours sincerely,



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Head of Unit

Enclosures:

- Call for Proposals JUST/2012/PROG/AG/AD
- Draft list of beneficiaries for the above call