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Mr Arun Dohle

by e-mail to: ask+request-1274-18733f82@asktheeu.org

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2014/1641

Dear Mr Dohle,

I refer to your e-mail dated 20/03/2014 in which you make a request for access to all documents and correspondence related to EU funding provided to the NGO Eurochild, registered under the above-mentioned reference number.

Your application is currently being handled by DG JUST. One file (project JUST/2010/FRAC/AG/1240 – “Speak Up!”) has been identified as falling within the scope of your request.

Please note that the file JUST/2010/FRAC/AG/1240 (“Speak Up!”) includes the description of the co-funded project, the original application for funding, its evaluation, the grant agreement, other correspondence concerning the beneficiary’s contractual obligations and a very large number of other documents related to the implementation of co-financed activities.

Regulation 1049/2001 provides for a possibility to confer with applicants in order to find a fair solution when an application concerns a very large number of documents. Article 6(3) provides that *"in the event of an application relating to a very long document or to very large number of documents, the institution concerned may confer with the applicant informally, with a view to finding a fair solution"*.

Based on this provision, I would kindly ask you whether you could narrow down the scope of your request, so as to reduce it (at least initially) to a more manageable amount of documents.

In order to help you potentially narrow down the scope of your request or decide whether or not some/all of the documents related to project JUST/2010/FRAC/AG/1240 might be relevant for you, please find below a link to the final report on the aforesaid project, which is publicly accessible and contains comprehensive information about the co-financed activities:

<http://www.eurochild.org/fileadmin/Projects/Speak%20Up/SpeakUpreportFINAL.pdf>

Furthermore, please note that the aforesaid project was implemented between January 2011 and October 2012 and that the upper limit of EU funding awarded to Eurochild for this purpose was 178.360 EUR, as you can see in the award decision which is publicly accessible here:

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/funding/rights/call_10012/ag_2010_award_decision_en.pdf

Kindly let us know which other documents concerning the aforesaid project you wish to access. Should it be impossible for you to narrow your request and should you wish to confirm your request to access all documents related to JUST/2010/FRAC/AG/1240, please note that many of the above-mentioned documents include personal data (which would have to be expunged before such documents can be released to you). Furthermore, a large number of documents in the file originate from third parties (mainly Eurochild) which would need to be consulted, as to whether they agree with the documents being released to you. Given these circumstances, it would be impossible for DG JUST to provide access to such documents within the normal time limits set out in Article 7 of Regulation 1049/2001 and it would be necessary to extend the said limit.

Kindly address any communication concerning this request (GestDem No 2014/1641) to the functional mailbox JUST-FRC-PROGRAMME@ec.europa.eu.

Yours faithfully,



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Head of Unit