

### Detailed information on the call for proposals and application form

1. Detailed information on this call for proposals is contained in the Guidelines for Applicants, which are available from the following addresses:

— website:

[http://europa.eu.int/comm/scr/tender/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/scr/tender/index_en.htm)

— by e-Mail:

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— by post:

European Commission  
Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 200  
B28-6/146  
B-1049 Brussels

2. Questions regarding the call for proposals may be sent to the address given at section 2.2 of the Guidelines for Applicants.

Frequently asked questions, with answers, are posted on the website

([http://europa.eu.int/comm/scr/tender/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/comm/scr/tender/index_en.htm)).

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## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### Programme of Community action on health monitoring within the framework for action in the field of public health (1997 to 2001)

(2000/C 101/10)

#### 1. BACKGROUND

The Commission is responsible for implementing, in close cooperation with the Member States, the Decision of the European Parliament and the Council concerning a 'programme of Community action on health monitoring'. Adopted on 30 June 1997 (OJ L 193, 22.7.1997), this programme covers a period of five years (1997 to 2001) and has a total budget of EUR 13,8 million. It provides for a contribution to the establishing of a Community health monitoring system in order to:

- (a) measure health status, trends and determinants throughout the Community;
- (b) facilitate the planning, monitoring and evaluation of Community programmes and actions;
- (c) provide Member States with appropriate health information to make comparisons and to support their national health policies.

An annual work programme indicating the action priorities for 2000 constitutes the reference framework for the selection of projects.

#### 2. PURPOSE OF THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS

To allow the Commission to collect proposals from public or private bodies active in the area in question.

Interested parties are invited to submit a grant application to the Commission in accordance with the procedures set out in section 4, taking into account the criteria for selection and financing of projects set out in section 3.

The proposals selected will receive Community financial assistance.

Applicants' attention is drawn to the fact that the Commission will fund actions in the following priority areas of the annual work programme for the year 2000; cardiovascular diseases, musculo-skeletal disorders, diabetes, health systems including clinical data.

#### 3. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION AND FINANCING OF PROJECTS

The selection of projects submitted under the programme will be based primarily on the following criteria:

- 1. Priority will be given to large-social projects which are appropriate, methodologically relevant, innovative where appropriate and therefore likely to have a considerable impact, and wherever possible involving public-sector and non-governmental organisations providing sufficient evidence of their competence in the fields in question.
- 2. Consideration will be given only to projects corresponding to one or more of the actions listed in the Annex to the Decision on the programme of Community action on health monitoring and yielding real added value for the European Community.

The following activities are deemed to yield such added value:

- **activities of interest with regard to establishing a European system of health monitoring;**
- **activities involving the participation of all Member States or, failing that, at least three Member States.**

3. Applicants must state the medium-term and long-term objectives and the specific aims of their project, indicating how it is relevant to the field of health, and at Community level. They must describe concisely the concept and the working methods to be used for achieving these objectives and aims.
4. The context of the action and its significance in relation to other actions already conducted in the field concerned must be clearly explained.

#### 4. PROCEDURES, DEADLINES AND SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

In order to be considered, proposals must:

- be drawn up using the form obtainable from the address given in section 5;
- be submitted in triplicate by 30 June 1999 (date of postmark), to the following address:

**European Commission**  
**Programme of Community action on health monitoring**  
**DG SANCO/F**  
**Jean Monnet Building**  
**Office EUFO 3191**  
**Plateau du Kirchberg**  
**L-2920 Luxembourg**

#### Financial provisions

The following extract from the main financial provisions applying to projects is given for guidance:

1. After appropriate consultation, the Commission will determine the amount of financial assistance to be granted, on the basis of annual availability.

2. Projects are financed under the shared cost principle. If the amount granted by the Commission is lower than the assistance sought by the applicant, it is up to the latter to find supplementary financing or to cut down on the total cost of the project without diluting either the objectives or the content.
3. The Commission grants a percentage of the estimated total cost of the project. If actual expenditure is lower than the estimated total cost, the Commission's contribution will be reduced proportionally in the light of the difference between the actual cost of the project and the estimated cost. If expenditure is higher than the estimated total cost, the Commission will pay, at the most, the sum equivalent to the percentage granted on the basis of the initial budget appended to the contract.

#### 5. PRACTICAL INFORMATION

An information pack containing all the documents needed for submitting a grant application is available on written request (letter or fax) to the following address:

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**Programme of Community action of health monitoring**  
**DG SANCO/F**  
**Jean Monnet Building**  
**Office EUFO 3191**  
**Plateau du Kirchberg**  
**L-2920 Luxembourg**  
**Fax (352) 430 13 20 59**

The information pack contains:

- Decision 1400/97/EC published in OJ L 193, 22.7.1997; the annual work programme indicating the priorities for 2000;
- the rules, criteria and procedures for selection and financing of projects;
- the application form, along with a summary sheet;
- other information where appropriate.