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**Turkey-Ankara: IPA — Technical assistance for EU–Turkey intercultural dialogue
2017/S 129-262827**

Service prior information notice

Location — Turkey

1. **Publication reference:**
EuropeAid/139064/IH/SER/TR.
2. **Procedure:**
Restricted.
3. **Programme title:**
Annual action programme for Turkey for the year 2014 under the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA II).
4. **Financing:**
IPA budget item 22.02.03.01 of the general budget of the EU (90 %) and national contribution (10 %).
5. **Contracting authority:**
Central Finance and Contracts Unit, Ankara, TURKEY.
6. **Nature of contract:**
Fee-based.
7. **Contract description:**
The specific objective of the project is to provide technical assistance to Yunus Emre Institute (YEI). The contractor is expected to provide the following services in addition to others:
 - i. institutional capacity needs analysis and strategy development for YEI, delivery of training to the YEI staff and organising study visit and evaluation workshop;
 - ii. support to grant beneficiaries and the YEI for the grant scheme implementation through preparing manuals, risk assessments, trainings, ongoing assistance to grant beneficiaries, preparation of monitoring plan, conducting monitoring visits and preparation of monitoring reports, provision of support to the grant beneficiaries in preparation of interim and final reports and provision of support to YEI in reviewing the grant beneficiaries' reports, preparation of assessment report of grant scheme;
 - iii. development of a communication strategy and development and implementation of awareness-raising activities and media campaign for increasing the visibility of EU–Turkey civil society dialogue.
8. **Indicative budget:**
1 000 000 EUR.
9. **Intended timing of publication of the contract notice:**
November 2017.
10. **Additional information:**
Not applicable.
11. **Legal basis:**
Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11.3.2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action and

Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11.3.2014 establishing an Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA II), OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 11.

Remarks:

There must be a minimum period of 30 calendar days between the publication of this prior information notice and the publication of the corresponding contract notice.

No applications or requests for information should be sent at this stage.