



ACP-EU CULTURE publishes its second call for proposals supporting the ACP cultural and creative sectors

December 20, 2019. The ACP-EU Culture Programme has just published its second call for proposals, entitled “Support for the cultural and creative sectors in ACP countries”. With a budget of 26 million euros, this call aims to promote the socio-economic development of ACP countries, by boosting the cultural and creative sector as a whole. Its priorities are increasing economic revenues from the creative sector, creating jobs linked to the cultural sector and improving accessibility, recognition and promotion of artists and their works at national, regional and international level.

Four axes are privileged to achieve its objectives:

- a) the creation/production of quality ACP goods and services, at a competitive cost and in increased quantity,
- b) access to national, regional, international markets, circulation/dissemination/promotion of ACP goods and services,
- c) image education,
- d) improving access to finance through innovative mechanisms, enabling co-funding and aimed at reducing the dependence of ACP cultural operators on international funding.

This call adopts an approach guaranteeing the best distribution between the different ACP regions, by proposing 6 regional lots. Through an innovative sub-granting system, it will select partner organizations at international, regional or national level who will be responsible for managing the budgets for each lot and publishing calls for projects on an annual basis to the attention of the ACP cultural and creative sector. The beneficiary organizations will have to ensure support and assistance for cultural operators, in order to guarantee the best success of their projects.

The call for proposals and its documentation are available on:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?ADSSChck=1576854754633&do=publi.detPUB&searchtype=QS&orderby=upd&orderbyad=Desc&nbPubliList=15&page=1&aoref=167697>

We invite you to follow the latest news on the ACP-EU Culture Programme’s calls also on www.acp-ue-culture.eu as well as on the website of the Secretariat of the ACP Group of States www.acp.int

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