ANNEX C9: Standard Twinning - Publication of the Call for Proposals on the Internet

TWINNING CALL FOR PROPOSALS issued by the European Commission

1. **Publication reference:** EuropeAid/160598/DD/ACT/UA

2. **Programme and Financing source**

Project title: Strengthening capacity of the State Agency on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving of Ukraine (SAEE) on the development of energy production from renewable energy sources, production and use of alternative fuels.

Twinning reference: UA 17 ENI EY 01 18

Programme title: ENI Special Measure 2017 – II for Ukraine - Energy Efficiency Programme for Ukraine – EE4U, ENI/2017/039-641; direct management.

3. Nature of activities, geographical area and project duration

(a) Short description (5 lines) of planned objectives:

The specific objective of the project is to strengthen capacity of the State Agency on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving of Ukraine and, potentially, other relevant stakeholders in implementing the national policy and legislation in the area of renewable energy in an economically and environmentally sound manner and in line with Ukraine's commitments under the Association Agreement and the Energy Community Treaty.

The project will focus on improvement of existing legislative framework in Ukraine towards its full alignment with the provisions of the EU Renewable Energy Directive 2009/28/EC based on the best EU practices in line with Ukraine's commitments in the Association Agreement and the Energy Community Treaty as well as on assistance in the implementation of the Government's Action plan on Directive 2009/28/EC and National Renewable Energy Action Plan, in particular in the area of administrative procedures, reporting, provision of information, training and awareness raising.

- (b) Geographical area: Ukraine
- (c) Maximum project duration: 18 months
- 4. Overall amount available for this Call for Proposals

EUR 1,000,000

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

5. Eligibility: Who may apply?

Only Public Administrations and Mandated bodies as per Twinning Manual of European Union Member State may apply through European Union Member States' National Contact Points.

For British applicants: Please be aware that eligibility criteria must be complied with for the entire duration of the grant. If the United Kingdom withdraws from the EU during the grant period without concluding an agreement with the EU ensuring in particular that British applicants continue to be eligible, you will cease to receive EU funding (while continuing, where possible to participate) or be required to leave the project on the basis of Article 12.2 of the General Conditions1 to the grant agreement.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

6. Provisional notification date of results of the award process

15 November 2018

SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA

7. Selection and Award criteria

Selection criteria consider the operational capacity of the Member State Project Leader, Resident Twinning Adviser and Component Leaders mentioned in the proposal; the assessment is expressed on a Yes/No basis and a single negative evaluation of one criterion disqualifies the proposal.

Award criteria consider the merit of the main qualifying aspects of the proposal and are evaluated applying a scoring system (1 to 5):

Selection and award of the Member State will be based on an evaluation of several qualitative aspects including but not limited to the proposed methodology, the

experience of the proposed Project Leader and Resident Twinning Adviser, the institutional setting and the capacity of the administration and the Member State presentation, etc.

See annex C6 of the Twinning Manual: Administrative compliance and Eligibility grid and annex C7 of the Twinning Manual: Evaluation Grid Twinning Selections.

APPLICATION FORMALITIES

8. Twinning proposal and details to be provided

Twinning proposals must be submitted by the Lead Member State Administration to the **EU Member States National Contact Points for Twinning** following the instructions of the **Twinning Manual** which must be strictly observed (including the use of the template).

Only one Twinning proposal for Member State can be submitted by the **Member** State National Contact Points for Twinning to the Contracting Authority within the deadline for applications.

The MS application should be submitted to the Contracting Authority via the email address of Member State National Contact Points for Twinning

9. Deadline for applications

Deadline for submission of Twinning proposals by the National Contact Points to the Contracting Authority: October 2nd 2018, 16:00 Brussels time (17:00 Kyiv time).

The deadline for submission of Twinning proposals by the EU Member State Public Administrations to the corresponding National Contact Point is decided by the latter.

Any application <u>received</u> by the Contracting Authority after this deadline will not be considered.

10. Detailed information

Detailed information on this Call for Proposals is contained in the Twinning Manual and in the specific project Twinning Fiche, which is available at the European Union Member States **National Contact Points for Twinning**.

The tentative date(s) envisaged for starting the evaluation committee meetings is: **October 16th 2018**.

For the selection meeting the Member State delegation should always include at least the proposed PL and RTA(s).

