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CIVIL SOCIETY FUND 2008

The Malta-EU Steering and Action Committee (MEUSAC) is calling for proposals from constituted bodies and representative organisations in order to assist such organisations to cover expenses actually incurred during 2008 in order to:

- keep abreast of developments in the European Union;
- enable them to better educate their members about EU matters related to their respective fields of competence; and
- enable them to participate effectively in the decision-making process at European level.

Since 1999, the Government has allocated more than €4.5 million to constituted bodies and representative organisations through the Fund.

The Civil Society Fund will cover expenses such as those related to participation in conferences, seminars and meetings abroad on matters directly related to the EU; expenses incurred in bringing over officials from the EU, or from institutions directly related therewith to discuss topics with an EU dimension of direct interest to their members and; attending familiarisation visits and specialised immersion programmes of the EU institutions and other bodies.

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Organisations eligible for assistance under the CSF are the Social Partners and Voluntary Organisations (VOs), provided that they are established for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest or in the interests of their membership and not having an industrial or commercial character. Supporting documents should be attached to the application form. Moreover, VOs which have enrolled with the Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations must attach the Certificate of Enrolment whilst those VOs which are still not enrolled must provide a copy of their application for enrolment and the acknowledgment received from the Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations.

The full terms and conditions may be downloaded from the MEUSAC website: www.meusac.gov.mt

Eligible organisations are required to apply to benefit from a share of these funds, in line with the objectives set out above, by writing to the Head, Civil Society Fund Committee, MEUSAC, 280, Republic Street, Valletta VLT 1112, by not later than Friday, 28th November 2008 at noon. Applications must be made using the Application Forms which are available on the MEUSAC website: www.meusac.gov.mt. Furthermore, applications received after this deadline will not be considered.

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STQARRIJA GĦALL-ISTAMPA

FOND GĦAS-SOĊJETÀ ĊIVILI 2008

Il-Malta-EU Steering and Action Committee (MEUSAC) qed jilqa' applikazzjonijiet minn korpi kostitwiti u għaqdiet rappreżentattivi biex jgħinhom ikopru spejjeż għal attivitajiet li għamlu fl-2008 biex:

- jibqgħu aġġornati ma' żviluppi fl-Unjoni Ewropea;
- jinfurmaw lill-membri tagħhom dwar suġġetti Ewropej relatati mal-oqsma tal-kompetenzi tagħhom; kif ukoll
- jipparteċipaw b'mod effettiv fil-proċess tat-teħid tad-deċiżjonijiet fuq livell Ewropew.

Mill-1999 'l hawn, il-Gvern alloka iktar minn €4.5 miljun għall-Fond għas-Soċjetà Ċivili li minnu bbenefikaw il-korpi kostitwiti u għaqdiet rappreżentattivi .

Il-Fond għas-Soċjetà Ċivili se jkopri spejjeż marbuta mal-parteċipazzjoni f' konferenzi, *seminars* u laqgħat barra minn Malta fuq affarijiet relatati mal-Unjoni Ewropea; spejjeż marbuta ma' stedini li jsiru lill-uffiċjali fi ħdan l-istituzzjonijiet tal-Unjoni Ewropea biex jiddiskutu suġġetti li għandhom dimensjoni Ewropea u li huma ta' interess għall-membri tal-organizzazzjoni; kif ukoll żjarat ta' familjarizzazzjoni u programmi ta' taħriġ speċjalizzati fuq l-istituzzjonijiet tal-Unjoni Ewropea u korpi relatati.

L-organizzazzjonijiet eliġibbli għal għajnuna taħt il-Fond huma l-Imsieħba Soċjali u Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji, sakemm dawn huma mwaqqfa għal skop speċifiku li jaqdu bżonnijiet fl-interess ġenerali jew

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fl-interess tal-membri tagħhom u li mhumiex ta’ natura industrijali jew kummerċjali. Dokumenti relevanti li juru dan għandhom jintbagħtu flimkien mal-applikazzjoni. Barra minn hekk, Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji li rreġistraw mal- Kummissarju għall-Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji għandhom jippreżentaw iċ-Ċertifikat ta’ Reġistrazzjoni, waqt li Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji li għadhom ma rreġistrawx għandhom jibgħatu kopja tal-applikazzjoni għar-reġistrazzjoni tagħhom kif ukoll irċevuta mill-Kummissarju għall-Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji.

Id-dettalji u kundizzjonijiet kollha relevanti jistgħu jinkisbu mis-sit elettroniku tal-MEUSAC: www.meusac.gov.mt.

Organizzazzjonijiet eliġibbli huma mistiedna japplikaw biex jibbenefikaw minn dan il-Fond skond l-għanijiet imniżżla f’dan l-avviż billi jiktbu lill-Kap, Kumitat Fond għas-Soċjetà Ċivili, MEUSAC, 280, Triq ir-Repubblika, il-Belt Valletta VLT 1112, sa mhux aktar tard mill-Ġimgħa, 28 ta' Novembru 2008 f' nofs in-nhar. L-applikazzjoni għandha ssir permezz ta’ formoli tal-applikazzjoni li jistgħu jinkisbu mis-sit elettroniku tal-MEUSAC: www.meusac.gov.mt. Applikazzjonijiet mibgħuta wara d-data tal-għeluq ma jkunux ikkunsidrati.

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