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Contracting Authority's Clarifications

Service Contract „ *Improving education programmes and services to meet the needs of marginalized groups* “

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The answers to requests for clarifications received by the potential applicants on the following e-mail address: cfcu@mif.gov.me.

Q1	<p>In connection with the tender procedure „ EuropeAid/140094/IH/SER/ME“ IPA II (Multi-Annual Action Programme for Montenegro on Employment, Education and Social Policies 2015-2017) we would like to seek your clarifications for the following question.</p> <p>Namely, we received an invitation from one organization to join them in this tender in order to realize the project of improving educational programs and services to meet the needs of marginalized groups.</p> <p>Since the Center for Vocational Education is a public institution which, among other things, deals with the coordination of the development and improvement of educational programs (for the formal education system) and education programs (for the informal system), as well as determining the quality of educational work in secondary and higher vocational schools as well as the code licensed adult education organizers, we are interested in whether we are "eligible" to apply for the project as a partner and whether there is a potential conflict of interest regarding our involvement in the project.</p>
A1	<p>As stated in the point 11 of the Contract Notice “<i>Participation is open to all natural persons who are nationals of and legal persons (participating either individually or in a grouping – consortium - of tenderers) which are effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in a eligible country or territory as defined under the Regulation (EU) N°236/2014 establishing common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for external action (CIR) for the applicable Instrument under which the contract is financed (see also heading 29 below). Participation is also open to international organisations (...)</i>”</p> <p>Finally, please note that, according to the section 3.4.1.2 of PRAG (2018.0), and in the interest of equal treatment of potential applicants, the contracting authority cannot give a prior opinion on the assessment of the application.</p>