SERVICE PRIOR INFORMATION NOTICE

Support to Preschool Education System Reform

Location- Republic of Serbia

1. Publication reference

EuropeAid/138-045/IH/SER/RS (IPA)

2. Procedure

Restricted

3. Programme title

National Programme for Serbia under the IPA II for the year 2014

4. Financing

Financing agreement

5. Contracting Authority

The Government of the Republic of Serbia, represented by the Ministry of Finance, Department for Contracting and Financing of EU Funded Programmes (CFCU), Belgrade, Serbia.

6. Nature of contract

Fee-based/Global price1

7. Contract description

The purpose of this contract is to help the Republic of Serbia to promote inclusion in preschool education through the optimization of space capacities, better needs analysis and improved access to preschool education for children from disadvantaged families.

8. Indicative budget

EUR 1,000,000

9. Intended timing of publication of the contract notice

July 2016

10. Additional information

N/A

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¹ To be determined in the Contract Notice

11. Legal basis²

Regulation (EU) N°236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 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 March 2014 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II)

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.

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² Please state any specificity that might have an impact on rules on participation (such as geographic or thematic or long/short term).