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AUTUMN CALL ENABLE

APPLICATION FORM FOR PROJECTS

within the RFO
“**ENABLING European Entrepreneurship**”

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APPLICATION FORM, PART A: PROJECT CONTENT and MANAGEMENT

Rewritten application: TECHTRA with the index number 2 TT 11,
 based on the Steering Committee's conditions dated 18th of February 2005

GENERAL PROJECT DATA			
Title of Project	Technology Transfers Information Network		
Acronym of Project	TECHTRA		
Start Date	1.4.05	End Date	1.10.06
Duration	18 Months		
Lead Participant (LP)	Osterfjord Næringsssamarbeid; - The Osterfjord Regional and Business Development Association		
Region of LP	Hordaland		
Total Budget	€ 144.000		
Public Funding (requested)	€ 90.750		
Private Funding	€ 53.250		

SECTION 1 – THE PROJECT PARTNERSHIP

1.1. Partner involvement during the preparation phase
 Please describe how the different partners have been involved in the preparation of the project. Describe the reasons behind the selection of participants (max. 0,5 pages).

The project concept was developed through a seminar in Erfurt 02 – 03/12.04 involving representatives from the Hordaland County Council, representing the Norwegian regional network, representatives from THATI and TMZ Erfurt representing the Thüringen regional technology centres, representatives from the Industrial network in Osterøy, Hordaland Norway, representing the Norwegian SME intermediary networks, representatives from the city of Erfurt, representing the German SME intermediary networks. The application is developed by the lead partner, but has been subjected to numerous iterations, involving comments and revisions from the partners.

As project manager is chosen Lars Mjøs, manager of the public-private partnership Osterfjord Næringsssamarbeid”, a cooperative local economic development association representing the 3 municipalities Modalen, Osterøy and Vaksdal. A particular aim of the project is to enhance the international competence at the local level. As a project of limited complexity and scope, this is a perfect project for a locally based body, skilled at running regional and national project, to manage project with an international partnership

For further elaboration on the selection criteria for the partnership, and a brief description on each partner, please see the included (not updated concerning reduced budget).



1.2. List of Project Partners

Indicate all project partners, starting with the project leader (lead participant). Regarding the legal status please select between local public authority, regional public authority, public equivalent body, private non-profit-oriented institution, and private profit-oriented institution.

If you have more than 5 partners, please copy a below shown partner box and paste it under partner box 5. Do not forget to add the adequate partner number in the heading of the box (e.g. Partner 6).

Partner 1 – Project Leader

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Partner 4

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"Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Technologie- und Gründerzentren" in Thuringen will be involved in the project in order to allow technology transfer also in this association, but will formally not be involved as a "Partner".

SECTION 2 – PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1. RFO-Topics and related Sub-Topics

Tick the RFO-Topic that best matches the strategic focus of the project.
 Please ensure that only one sub-topic is selected.

RFO-Topic 1: ENABLE Technology Transfer

Sub-topic 1.1: Application of media technology and media production	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 1.2: Application of sensorics or microelectronics	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 1.3: Renewable (resources) energy and hydrogen technology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 1.4: Improvement of communication between regional public authorities, R+D bodies and the business community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

RFO-Topic 2: ENABLE Networks

Sub-topic 2.1: Exchange of experience at management level of networks especially involving the intermediate level organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 2.2: New services for networks and clusters especially involving the intermediate level organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 2.3: Networks between SMEs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 2.3.1: Development of new market potential	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 2.3.2: Development of new production potential	<input type="checkbox"/>

RFO-Topic 3: ENABLE Start-Ups

Sub-topic 3.1: Stimulation at education level: change of mindsets, promotion of self-employment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 3.2: Qualification support programmes for the start-up phase of young and innovative companies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 3.3: Qualification support programmes for the growth phase of young and innovative companies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sub-topic 3.4: Qualification support programmes for the consolidation phase of young and innovative companies	<input type="checkbox"/>

2.2. The Concept of the Project

2.2.1. Key issues addressed

Describe the initial needs or problems in the partner areas that will be addressed by the project. This section should refer to the chosen sub-topic (max. 0,5 pages).

The **thematic priorities** of the ENABLE TECHTRA project are given in the programme manual, section 2.3: Develop new ICT-based instruments to create an information infrastructure, which will facilitate the exchange of information, also R&D-related, across the regions. As stated in the Lisbon strategy, information and communication technologies can make a significant contribution towards **improving local economic development**.

The TECHTRA project will exchange “best practice” from the successful Norwegian “Nærinett”-project by creating a targeted, proactive and dynamic information system relating to SMEs

Targeted: The SMEs do not have a sufficient oversight to define their information needs – Through the assistance of an experienced information officer an information profile will be created for each firm – which will detail their information needs

Proactive – “information push” – Information will be forwarded to each company at specified points in time related through their profile

Dynamic: The information profile will be updated as the firm develops and it needs changes

The approach of the project is to carry out a pilot project, to test the transferability of the Nærinett methodology and its practicability to –at first - a limited SME environment in Thuringia through the partners, The Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Technologie- und Gründerzentren” in Thuringia, will be involved in the project as well in order to allow technology transfer also in this association with members all over Thuringia. Implementation of the methodology should possibly be introduced in Carinthia as well.

The second issue is to test the operability the “Nærinett” approach in a transnational, multilingual context (see also the appendix page 5)

2.2.2. Objectives of the project

Describe the objectives of the project and make sure that these objectives allow addressing the initial needs and problems mentioned in. 2.2.1. (max. 0,5 pages)

Strategic objectives:

1. Improving interaction between local administration, R&D facilities and SMEs
2. Improving information service development and distribution
3. Improving awareness of R&D-induced innovation potential

Operational Objectives

1.1. Exchanging experience and best practice on the diversity of operational approaches to public private partnerships in the **provision of infrastructures for supporting innovative companies**

1.2 **Support and development of innovative companies for the global marketplace** - and how best to encourage/support the development of innovative firms whose market are international (rather than local / regional / national).

2.1 **New approaches in the support of innovative firms** with particular reference to industrial sectors of regional importance in each partner region

2.2 Create new operational attitudes to the **provision of professional support services**

3.1 Exchanging experience and best practice on the use of ICT tools for regional economic



development

2.2.3. Contribution to strategic goals of the RFO “ENABLING European Entrepreneurship”

How will the project contribute to realise the strategic objectives defined for the RFO ENABLE?

The overall objectives of ENABLE are:

- improvement of the effectiveness of regional development policies and instruments for SMEs
- increase of the basis for entrepreneurship and innovation
- creation of vibrant, self-confident and competitive regions with a strong internationalised SME basis
- exchange of knowledge and experiences
- development of new instruments for dynamic regional leadership

(max. 1 page)

- The core idea is through public-private partnership to identify SME needs and provide an information system that makes it possible for Business Development Officers to keep the companies in their community up to date on information and developments in the European context that is of relevance to a given SME
- The information system will also embrace companies in the start up phase, especially start-ups with an international aspirations
- The TECHTRA project will increase the exchange of knowledge and experiences. The basic direction of the project is “Best practice on SME development in both the regions (West-Norway and Thuringia). The **TECHTRA** regions are each strong in their overall support mechanisms for the creation and development of innovative firms, and each has facets of their innovation support systems where they have been outstanding. Each region has developed mechanisms that already represent ‘best practice’ in their national context and only collaboration at European level will enable further development. Additionally, they each have distinct problems that would specifically benefit from cross-fertilization of operational experience, through technology transfer and networking and external comparison with regions outside of their respective national economies.
- The information system should be used also for the dissemination of results from successful R&D projects funded by regional (Thuringia, Hordaland), national (Germany, Norway) and European sources, for the promotion of industrial and scientific embossed success stories and for the advancement of the regional start-up initiatives and the related methods as well.
- The TECHTRA project is in itself such an instrument. Once set up, it will require a minimum of effort to keep the network running, also after the project is officially ended.

2.3. The Activity Plan of the Project

2.3.1. Summary description of the Project Activity Plan

Please give a summary of the general working method of the project and the different phases of the implementation process. Describe the way how project participants will co-operate in each phase of the project implementation. Please define work packages to structure the project. Each of these packages finally produces an intermediate output which should also be listed (“mile stones”).

Please ensure that the summary description of your action plan is consistent with the following section 2.3.2. (max. 1 page)

1. General working method

Each participant will be given a specific role in the project, with associated tasks defined for each role.

Information providers (IP)(HCC, THATI,) will

- integrate the electronic tools (databases, communication systems, case logging systems) necessary for the successful implementation of the project.
- research, edit, format and publish the newsletters that are the key element of the project, and will disseminate these to the Information Business Mediators.

Information Mediators (M)

These are chosen because of their close relations with the SMEs in their local community The IM will evaluate the information and classify this in relation to its relevance to individual companies. The IMs will also define and recruit a core group of 60 companies, 30 in each country, and help them develop an information profile, defining each company’s information needs

Different phases of the implementation process

Initial phase:

- Training of Information Mediators in general European affairs, Newsletter contents, database operation, implementation of the SME demand analysis, ...
- Setting up the technology platform + adoption according the regional requirements
- Recruiting companies + analyses of their demands and information profiles

Implementation phase:

- Creating, maintaining an issuing the newsletter
- Creating systems of interaction between the Information Mediators and the SMEs
- Exchange of best practice between the information providers and Information Mediators in each region

Evaluation – by external experts

Dissemination

All news items and experiences generated through this projects will be accessible through a dedicated website, and will also be presented through project workshops and reports.

How will the project participants work together in each phase

Initial phase: Cooperation on developing the information infrastructure.

Implementation phase: Joint production of newsletter for distribution in both counties. Cooperation on exploring the possibilities for technology transfer between the regions

Work package structure w/output – see appendix .

The work packages and the allocated budget lines are carefully developed to fit the need of each partner, and provide him with the resources needed to fulfil the obligations undertaken by the project

2.3.2. Description of main activities of the project by phases

Describe in more detail the individual main activities that will be realised by the partnership during the different implementation phases of the project. Describe the activities that will be realised in the different regions and the activities that coordinate the interregional partnerships.

A main activity can be an exchange of experience seminar, a working group meeting, a study visit, a staff exchange or the ongoing working process e.g. The description of the main activities should be done in a chronological order by phases as indicated. Please indicate for each activity how the partners or external experts will be involved.

The entire section should not be longer than 2 pages.

January 2005 – June 2005:

It is assumed that the project will start at 1.4.05. The project needs an 18-month running period in order to gather the necessary experience to assess the viability of our methodology in communicating with SMEs. In the original application the plan was to start 01.01.05, but we wrote: "We therefore trust that any delays in the suggested start-up date can be compensated by a corresponding prolongation of termination date for the project." In this rewritten application the budget periods are adjusted according to this delay. We have as well adjusted the description of the activities.

Initial phase: - April 05 – end of June 05.

This phase will be initiated by a kick-off-meeting between the partners as early as practically possible in April. The purpose of this meeting is to schedule the action plan in further detail, and certify that each partner is aware of his role and obligation in the execution of the project

The tasks to be carried out in this initial phase involve the steps necessary for setting up the operational framework of the project. On the technical side this involves the integration of the information systems in Norway and Germany, which will be the responsibility of the owners of the databases involved, THATI and HCC. To resolve the technical questions HCC will need to involve external experts (programmers).

In parallel with the information infrastructure being set up, the IMs will need to receive training on identifying SME information needs, and thereupon immediately start recruiting the SMEs that are involved in the project. The IMs should spend some time with each SME to identify their current "state" (for an elaboration of this concept, please see the annex page 1), and develop an information profile for each company.

We will also provide training in the use of the tools developed in the initial phase.

Implementation phase: July 2005 – May 2006

This period is the actual execution of the programme. This period will focus on the production of the newsletter, concentrating on EU business related items, on the technical innovations and, technology transfer opportunities offered through the systems.

Particular attention will be drawn to creating feed-back from the SMEs to the IMs.

All activities will be logged in a case-logging system that is an integral feature of the information infrastructure, allowing the continuous monitoring of the activities in the system. This feature also allows all officers with access to the system to contribute to the response of requests from the SMEs to IMs

July 2005 – December 2005:

Implementation phase: July 2005 – May 2006 – continued

Main activities as above.

A mid-term seminar will be hosted late autumn, exploring the lessons learned thus far in the project and eventual corrective measures (if applicable) will be implemented

January 2006 – June 2006:

Implementation phase: July 2005 – May 2006 – continued

Main activities as above.

Evaluation phase May – July 2006

The main project will be terminated in may 2006, and the evaluation process will start immediately. Although the official project will be closed – it is the period for which financing are requested from the Enable project - it is the intention by the partners to continue this cooperation even beyond the project period.

The project as a hole will be terminated by a closing conference (open) in both countries early autumn summing up the experiences and benefits of the project.

2.3.3. Main Activities ensuring communication, information and publicity

The RFO website www.enable-net.info and the publicity activities of the ENABLE programme will ensure possibilities for information and publicity also for the projects. In this section you should briefly describe the additional actions that are planned to raise the public awareness on the project. Please give an explanation in the case of confidential outputs (max. 0,5 pages).

The TECHTRA methodology, the expected results and advantages for the client groups will be communicated and published by the following routes

General

- Organisation of a dedicated **workshop/conference** with regional innovation players and potential clients (3 months after the start of the project)
- Simultaneous publication at the **websites** of all project partners
- Targeted mailshots to new SME user groups in other regions
- Press releases in regional newspapers and journals of regional **enterprise federations**

Thuringia

- Presentation of the TECHTRA project at the annual **regional "Innovation Day Thüringen"** in May 2005
- Publication at the Thuringian **"WIP-Portal"**, the web based innovation portal for science and industry in Thuringia
- Ongoing information at the **Newsletters** of THATI, the regional Euro Info Centre and the Thuringian community of chambers of commerce
- **Two workshops in Carinthia and Kaunas region**, supported by the respective Regional Management Units, to present the methodology, experiences of the information providers and intermediaries, benefits and practical examples

West-Norway

- Presentation of the TECHTRA project at the annual **regional development conference**, autumn 2005
- Publication at various business related web portals, (innovation Norway, Bergen Chamber of Commerce, Regional/local business portals)
- Ongoing information at the regional newsletters of regional and local business development organisation in Hordaland and Sogn & Fjordane
- Simultaneous publication at the **websites** of all project partners
- Targeted mailshots to new SME user groups in other regions
- Press releases in regional newspapers

2.4. Outputs, Benefits and Indicators of the Project

2.4.1. Outputs

Briefly describe the main outputs (seminars, workshops, study visits, staff exchanges, pilot projects, manuals, documents e.g.) that will be achieved during each phase of the project implementation process. The description should be done in a chronological order by six-monthly intervals.

Please ensure that the description is consistent with the description of main activities in section 2.3.2. (max. 1 page)

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences, study visits combined with staff exchanges:

	1/05	2/05	1/06	2/06
Kick-off meeting (including Steering Committee meeting) in Osterfjord/ Bergen organised by Lead Partner	1*			
2...3 application oriented training workshops for the information providers (IP) in each region	1	1	1	
2 training seminars in each region by the information providers (IP) for their related information mediators (IM) and their enterprises.		1	1	
Workshop/Conference to raise awareness towards regional innovation players and potential (IM's and enterprises)	1			
"Innovation Day Thüringen" (May/June 2005 in Erfurt)	1			
Presentation of the TECHTRA project at the annual Hordaland regional development conference , autumn 2005		1		
2 project meetings for all partners/ IP/ IM's (including Steering Committee meeting). One in West Norway and one in Thuringia.		1*	1*	
Promotion workshops in Carinthia and Kaunas regions.				1*+1*
Final conference , together with intermediaries and SME group members (Erfurt). After finished evaluation. Organised by THATI.				1*
Staff exchange activities.	1	1		

* Transnational

Pilot projects:

As described in 2.2.1., the nature of the project will be a pilot. It covers mainly the transfer and needed adaptation of the essential information technology, and the implementation and test of the methodology at a rather limited group of SME's from varied technical sectors.

In case of a successful transfer and implementation, connected with a high degree of acceptance by the target clients the methodology should be introduced in a broad diversified manner in Thuringia altogether and possibly in Carinthia and Lithuania as well.

Manuals / Documents :

- Database → Preliminary user manual and instruction guidelines for internal (project) utilization and application (T0+ 6)
- Final version (Manual and instruction guidelines) for "semipublic" access (T0+12)
- User demands analysis – Internal summarizing document (T0+4)
- TECHTRA leaflet / brochure (Project description) (T0+12)
- Project website (www.enable-TECHTRA.com) (starting from T0+0)

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2.4.2. Benefits

Please describe the main benefits that will be achieved by the project as a whole, for each project participant, for the regions, for the interregional co-operation as well as for the entrepreneurs of SMEs.

Benefits are the immediate effects of all outputs generated under the project. Please ensure that the description is consistent with the description of main activities in section 2.3.2. (max. 0,5 pages)

The main benefits achieved by the project will be the targeted provision of relevant up to date information regarding EU programs and regulations, opportunities for transnational technology cooperation and R&D projects etc. to SMEs.

This information will improve the ability of SMEs to innovate and to become more competitive in the national and the European market.

The integration of Business Development Agencies as well as Innovation and Technology Centres as local intermediaries and multipliers will ensure that SMEs receive targeted information for the growth and development of their businesses. It will support them in their innovation process and in the development of their international (cooperation) activities. Based on the close contact of the intermediaries to the local companies their specific needs can be determined and the selection criteria for the information to be received can be clearly defined.

The involvement of libraries in Norway with their competencies in data and information management and distribution is expected to create synergy effects based on the efficient and target group orientated processing of the available information. It will also contribute to the Europe-wide trend of clustering and networking.

Technology Centers will be able to move away from being just a landlord by offering more services to their tenants and thereby upgrading their image. With professional information services they will also attract more start ups to the center and result in high quality SMEs in the long run.

2.4.3. Indicators

Briefly describe measurable indicators of the outputs and the benefits the project intends to produce (e.g. involvement of SMEs, new ideas and approaches).

Please ensure that the description is consistent with the description of main activities in section 2.3.2. (max. 0,5 pages)

Indicators and deliverables

- Methodology at 2-3 workshops/conferences in each region presented
- 3 training sessions/seminars for all participated intermediaries in each region arranged
- User demands analysis in Germany and in Norway with at least 60 SME`s developed
- Norwegian ICT tools and database system completed, transferred, adopted and successfully tested
- The effectiveness of processing multilingual information tested
- The effectiveness of transnational networks for increasing news relevance tested
- 60 SME`s from Thuringia and Western Norway trained and recruited for the new information system
- Workshops (or information exchange) for the other ENABLE regions Carinthia and Kaunas prepared and arranged
- Website created and updated
- Manuals and instruction guidelines designed and presented

SECTION 3 – COORDINATION & MANAGEMENT

3.1. Project Manager

Who will be the project manager within the organisation of the project leader?

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Describe the person's experience in project management and project co-ordination.

This section should not be longer than 0,25 pages.

Lars Mjøs, Master of science/ civil engineer 1976, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, has worked in local and regional business development since 1982, and has co-authored two books on this subject. He has extensive experience in project management, latest at the project manager of the project "Innovation in small business context", a project that has won national acclaim. He is an entrepreneur himself, running a part-time consultancy specializing in entrepreneurship and innovation.

Lars Mjøs has also been one of the driving forces behind the Nærinett-project, from which TECHTRA draws its inspiration

3.2. Coordination procedures of the project

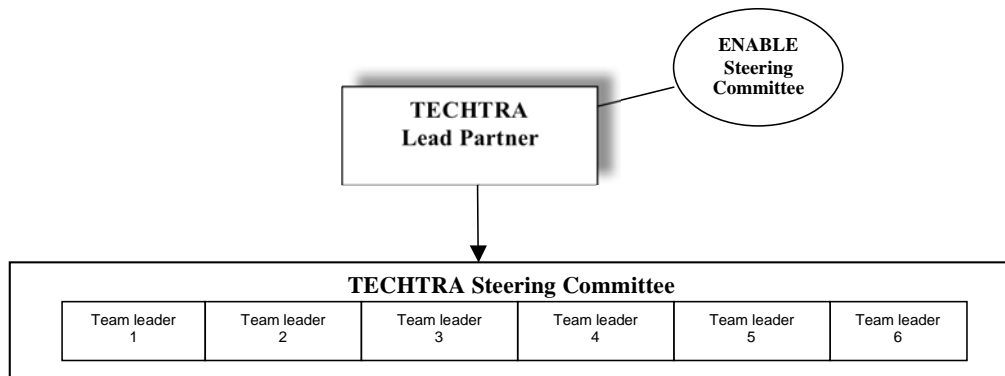
Please describe the overall system for co-ordination and management (administrative management, responsibilities, auditing, reporting, and progress control) applied in the context of the project. You might also add a chart that shows in detail the structure of the project management.
 (max. 1 page).

The consortium is composed of 6 partners from Western Norway and Thuringia, two county councils, one municipality, one technology centre, one technology transfer and innovation agency and one industrial association. Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Technologie- und Gründerzentren" in Thuringen will be involved in the project in order to allow technology transfer also in this association .The intended closed cooperation between the partners will provide an effective exchange of experiences and will influence the quality of the project results and their implementation.

Lead Partner / Project Leader will be the Osterfjord Nærings samarbeid, mainly responsible for the coordination with the ENABLE steering committee. The overall project, however, will be managed through the Steering Committee, which will consist of one representative for each partner, the Team Leaders (see table below). The Steering Committee will be chaired by the Project Leader. Meetings will take place at least every six months on initiative of the chairmen of the TECHTRA SC or whenever called by one of the partners in case of an emergency situation.

The SC will be in charge of managing the project regarding administrative and financial matters and major decisions controlling the effective progress of work.

Management structure:



Reporting, both internally and towards the ENABLE programme committee is foreseen in six-monthly intervals, that is two mid-term reports and the final report will be prepared.



**SECTION 4 –
 CONFIRMATION, CERTIFICATION and SIGNATURE of the
 Lead Participant**

Please note that Parts A, B and the authorised Annexes form are an integral part of the Application Form.

I, the lead participant of the project, certify that the information in this proposal is accurate and that my organisation has agreed to co-ordinate the project activities if this proposal is awarded funds from the ENABLE Programme.

I certify that the project will be implemented in accordance with national laws and EU regulations, and I especially acknowledge the rules considering public tendering, competition policy, and eligible costs.

To the best of my knowledge, a proposal with a similar content with the involvement of any of the partners has not been submitted to any other EU funded programme.

Signature of Project Leader	Stamp of Project Leader
	
Name and position within Project Leader Organisation	Lars Mjøs Managing Director
Project Leader Organisation	Osterfjord Næringssamarbeid
Date	10.03.2005/ 19.03.2005

**SECTION 5 –
 CONFIRMATION, CERTIFICATION and SIGNATURE of all Pro-
 ject Participants**

Copies of this page must be confirmed, certified and signed by each partici-
 pant involved in the project (also by the lead participant).
 Please note that Parts A, B and the authorised Annexes form are an integral
 part of the Application Form.

5.1
 By signing the Application Form, the Project Participant hereby confirms that the Project, in
 whole or in part, has not and will not receive any other EU funding during the RFO-Period.

5.2
 By signing the Application Form, the Project Participant confirms that he complies with the
 rules on Final Beneficiaries as stated in the INTERREG III C Programme Complement.

5.3
 By signing the Application Form, the Project Participant confirms that he is committed to take
 part in the project's activities. All additional data that are necessary for funding, publicity ac-
 tivities and reporting will be provided by the Project Participant.

5.4
 By signing the Application Form, the Project Participant confirms that sufficient publicity will
 be accorded to the implementation of an EU funded project in compliance with Commission
 Decision 94/342/EC in order to attract the attention of potential recipients of Community assis-
 tance and to increase the public's awareness of the Community's role in co-financing the pro-
 ject.

5.5
 By signing the Application Form, the Project Partner confirms that he will contribute to the
 budget of this project with a co-financing as stated in the budget lines (Part B of the Applica-
 tion Form). The Project Partner furthermore confirms that any project expenditure related to
 this project will not be funded by any other EU Programme.

5.6 Signature and Stamp of the Project Participant

Signature of Project Participant	Stamp of Project Participant
Name and position within Project Participant Or- ganisation	
Project Participant Or- ganisation	
Date	

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