





SMEs' Export Accelerator - EuropeAid/138-495/ID/ACT/MK

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# Open call for

Consultancy Services for SMEs Export Accelerator Business Analysis and Demo Small Projects

# 1. Project description and overall objective

The project "SMEs Export Accelerator", financed by the EU, is implemented by the Organization of Employers of Macedonia (OEM) and the Institute for dynamic development SFERA-NOVA. The goal of the project is to enhance the competitiveness of SMEs and to pragmatically contribute to the implementation of national strategic competitiveness documents. The project will work towards achieving a competitive sustainable advantage of export of the food processing industry and will help SMEs in internationalization, raising export capacity and opportunities.

# 2. Maximum budget for call is 877.000,00 MKD

## 3. Main Tasks/Activities:

#### LOT 1

- Within Activity 1-Business Analysis of the Export Opportunities in Regional Markets on Food Processed Products from Macedonia, to prepare and conduct modules: 3.1.Developing and applying PESTLE Analysis of external markets, 3.2. Developing and applying Competitive Analysis -CPM Matrix, 4. Making decisions for the analyzed target markets and 4.1. Analyzing of collected data and finalization of the Comprehensive Report;
- Within Activity 3 -Supporting up to four Demo Small Projects on Export Food Products from Macedonia on Regional Markets, to prepare and conduct module 1.2. Conducting the re-design of at least 4 food processed products.

#### LOT 2

• Within Activity 1-Business Analysis of the Export Opportunities in Regional Markets on Food Processed Products from Macedonia, to prepare and conduct modules: 1.2. Identification of potential markets for food processed products, 2.1. Conducting primary /basic desk research on international markets, and 3.1. Assessment of target markets for food processed products, including export diagnostic, selection of regional market and promotional activities;

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- Within Activity 3 -Supporting up to four Demo Small Projects on Export Food Products from Macedonia on Regional Markets, to prepare and conduct modules: 1.3. Evaluation of the export potential of companies and 1.4. Piloting up to four export projects on regional markets;
- **Evaluation of the export readiness** and level of satisfaction from the project results at the end of the second year.

## LOT 3

- Within Activity 1- Business Analysis of the Export Opportunities in Regional Markets on Food Processed Products from Macedonia, to prepare and conduct modules: 5.1Preparation and facilitation of the Round Table discussion with the stakeholders for the Business Analysis findings.
- Within Activity 3-Supporting up to four Demo Small Projects on Export Food Products from
  Macedonia on Regional Markets, to prepare and conduct modules: 1. Preparation of the Public Call
  for interested companies to apply and 1.1. Creation of the evaluation criteria and selection of 4
  companies (2 + 2) and 3.2 Developing Policy Recommendations for enhancement of the Export
  activities for SMEs in food processing industry;
- **Recommendations for Content Management** for web portal and mobile application.

#### 4. Selection criteria

# **LOT 1 Senior Non Key Expert 4 (SNKE4)**

#### Qualifications and Skills

- University degree Economic or Agriculture or 5 years above the general professional experience required below.
- Excellent English oral and written communication skills

# General professional experience

- A minimum of 5 years working experience in agriculture and food processing industry for SMEs Specific professional experience
  - Experience in at least 3 projects in food processing industry, market diagnostics, product export development for SMEs
  - Experience in at least 3 business analysis and/ or assessments related to food processing industry, market diagnostics, export preparation of goods for SMEs.

# LOT 2 Senior Non Key Expert 5 (SNKE5)

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## **Qualifications and Skills**

- University degree in Economics or 5 years above the general professional experience required below
- Excellent English oral and written communication skills

# General professional experience

 A minimum of 5 years working experience in transport, logistics and customs procedure for export of goods

## Specific professional experience

- Experience in at least 3 projects or min 10 years work experience in transport, logistics and customs procedure for export of goods
- Experience in at least 3 analysis and/ or assessments related to transport, logistics and customs procedure for export of goods

# LOT 3 Senior Non Key Expert 6 (SNKE6)

## Qualifications and Skills

- Master degree in Economics or 5 years above the general professional experience required below.
- Excellent English oral and written communication skills

# General professional experience

• A minimum of 5 years working experience in capacity building or training.

# Specific professional experience

- At least two year experience in policy development
- Experience in drafting policy or strategic papers in at least 2 project

#### 5. Application

Please send a letter for expression of interest to the following e-mail: **ivana.karchicka@gmail.com**, till 08.02.2019, 14:00 h. We'll provide application format and details to all candidates meeting above mentioned criteria.

6. Additional information Contact person and details: Ivana Karchicka 072 278 956

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