Clarifications to Expression of Interest “EU4EMPLOYMENT in BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA”

Question No. 1

Dear colleagues from the EU Bosnia Delegation,

Could you kindly confirm if a consulting company would be eligible as an “implementation partner”, if applying as a consortium member of a pillar assessed institution?

Response

Regarding the eligibility, please refer to (a) the Financial Rules applicable to the Union budget, specifically Articles 62 (1) (c) and 154 of Financial Regulation (EU Euratom) No 2018/1046 from 18 July 2018; (b) the Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 from 11/03/2014, establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II), Articles 1 (4) and 5 (4) of the Regulation No 236/2014 from 11/03/2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments financing external action. The texts allow for a possibility for the Union's financial assistance to be implemented indirectly by entrusting budget implementing tasks to, among others, international organisations, as well as their agencies and Member States agencies.

The Action will be implemented through a Contribution Agreement for indirect management, and, thus, all Partners have to be pillar assessed.