

Questions and Answers

Providing service for “Organization of three public events, aiming at promotion of the European territorial cooperation under IPA CBC Programmes Bulgaria-Serbia, Bulgaria- the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Bulgaria-Turkey” (Sofia, Kyustendil, Sozopol, Republic of Bulgaria)

Question	Answer
<p>1. In point 4.2.2 <i>Organization of the joint European Cooperation Day 2015 celebration under the Bulgaria-Serbia IPA Cross-border Programme and the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme in Kyustendil, Bulgaria</i> of Annex II: Terms of reference is clear that the Contractor is not responsible for the provision of ensembles but in point 4.2.3 <i>Organization of the European Cooperation Day 2015 celebration under the Bulgaria-Turkey IPA Cross-border Programme – “Dance with me across the border”</i>, point “d” is mentioned that the Contractor must provide and transport ensembles for traditional folk songs and dances from the cross border region.</p> <p>Please, confirm that the Contracting Authority would select and provide the ensembles mentioned in both points.</p>	<p>Part 4.2.2 of the Terms of Reference relates to the join event under IPA CBC Bulgaria – Serbia and IPA CBC Bulgaria – Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Programmes while 4.2.3 relates to Bulgaria – Turkey IPA CBC Programme. The two parts (4.2.2 and 4.2.3) mention the specifications for two separate events. For the event under the Bulgaria Turkey IPA CBC Programme described in part 4.2.3, the Contractor must provide the ensembles and proceed with arrangements after agreement of the Contracting Authority on the selected ensembles.</p>
<p>2. In point 4.2.2 <i>Organization of the joint European Cooperation Day 2015 celebration under the Bulgaria-Serbia IPA Cross-border Programme and the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme in Kyustendil, Bulgaria</i>, point “k” is mentioned that the Contractor is responsible for accommodation of 80 participants.</p> <p>Could you please, specify what kind of rooms must be provided – single or double rooms?</p>	<p>The Contractor is responsible for accommodation of 80 participants for 1 night (including dinner and breakfast) in double rooms in a hotel in the city where the event is taking place.</p>
<p>3. In point 4.2.3 <i>Organization of the European Cooperation Day 2015 celebration under the Bulgaria-Turkey IPA Cross-border Programme – “Dance with me across the border”</i>, point “a” is mentioned that <i>“The contractor will ensure either by their own</i></p>	<p>The Contractor is responsible for the whole process related to issuance of visas for Turkish participants, including but not limited to collection of passports from Turkish invitees who need visa, necessary contacts with the Consulate, collection of necessary documents from participants,</p>

<p><i>means or via subcontracting to a company, collecting passports and supporting documents from Turkish participants and returning them the passports with issued Bulgarian visas before the travel”.</i></p> <p>Please, confirm that the Contractor is not responsible if there is a problem with issuing the visas due to circumstances which don't concern collection of passports and supporting documents from Turkish participants. Should the Contractor provide the payment for the visas?</p>	<p>arrangements of travel health insurance (which is a prerequisite for Bulgarian visa), payment of the visa fees, doing the group application at the Consulate, following up on additional documents requested by the Consulate, ensuring provision of the requested documents from/to the Consulate/participants and handing over the passports to Turkish participants with the issued Bulgarian visas. The contractor will not be responsible for the failure of visa process due to reasons arising from participants' status and/or supporting documents. In case of failure in visa process for one or more participant(s) the Contractor will keep the documents proving visa application and the justified explanation of rejecting visa application issued by the Consulate.</p>
<p>4. In point 4.2.3 <i>Organization of the European Cooperation Day 2015 celebration under the Bulgaria-Turkey IPA Cross-border Programme – “Dance with me across the border”</i>, point “d” in bullet 4 is mentioned that <i>“The ensembles should hold a preparation meeting in Sozopol, Bulgaria where the event will take place within 15 days before the event takes place in order to agree upon specific arrangements for the activities, organise the type, order and duration of the songs/dances. For the preparation meeting representatives of Turkish ensemble shall visit the Bulgarian ensemble. Their accommodation, travel and visas should be ensured. The preparation meeting and its contents will be coordinated with the provider and agreed by the CA”.</i></p> <p>Please, confirm that the Contractor is not responsible for the transportation of the Bulgarian ensemble for that meeting.</p>	<p>The Contractor must ensure transportation of the representative(s) of the local Bulgarian ensemble in case the selected ensemble is from outside of Sozopol. It must be noted that the ensembles will be selected from the cross border region (within the districts of Haskovo, Yambol and Burgas). The transportation arrangement shall be considered accordingly.</p>