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AER Funding Tracker - Progress Programme

Name of programme	PROGRESS Programme, Call for proposals 2010
Sub-programme	Support to PROGRESS participating countries' strategies on health inequalities <i>Call ref: VP/2010/006</i>
Theme(s)	Health inequalities, social protection and inclusion
Funded by	European Commission DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities
Overview	<p>The PROGRESS Programme is the EU's employment and social solidarity programme set up to provide financial support to deliver the EU's objectives in employment, social affairs and equal opportunities, as set out in the Social Agenda.</p> <p>PROGRESS works to support Member States to ensure they deliver on their commitments to create more and better jobs, to guarantee equal opportunities for all and to implement EU laws uniformly.</p> <p>The programme has a total budget of EUR 683.25m over the period 2007-2013. It has five sections corresponding to the five main fields of activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment • Social protection and inclusion • Working conditions • Anti-discrimination and diversity <p>The <i>call for proposals for strategies on health inequalities</i> falls under the second section and aims to financially support and assist national and regional authorities of PROGRESS participating countries to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve knowledge of health inequalities, including its extent and determinants; • Develop/plan strategies to tackle/reduce health inequalities including building capacity, such as developing structures for stakeholders involvement at EU level; • Monitor and evaluate the implementation of such

	strategies
Activities funded	<p>Activities should contribute to narrowing the gap in health inequalities between and within PROGRESS participating countries. Applicants can submit proposals for one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities aimed at raising general awareness concerning health inequalities, stimulate debate, promote exchange of good practice and policy coordination; • Activities aimed at improving data availability and mechanisms to measure, monitor and report on inequalities in health across the EU. Activities aimed at improving the knowledge base on the causes of health inequalities and evidence base for action; • Activities aimed at developing policies and strategies to address health inequalities and or at evaluating policies implemented that have an effect of them. <p>There should be a clear European added value of the activities and Project should support innovation and the transfer of ideas that are subsequently rolled out in different contexts.</p>
Potential beneficiaries	<p>Public authorities or state/semi state agencies at national and regional level, in particular relevant governmental bodies at regional level with decision making competencies in the area of employment, pension and/or social protection policies, i.e. no public universities or research institutes. These may however be entrusted to submit a proposal.</p> <p>NGOs may also submit an application if they are entrusted by a national/regional public authority.</p>
Geographical eligibility	PROGRESS participating countries: EU 27; EFTA/EEA countries Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein; EU candidates Croatia, Macedonia and Turkey; Western Balkan country Serbia
Number of trans-national partners required	There is no minimum or maximum of partners to be involved. Only partners from PROGRESS participating countries are eligible to participate in this call.
Maximum grant	The approximate total budget for this call is €1.5m. Proposals are expected to be approximately between €100 000 and €500 000.
Maximum percentage	EU funding may cover a maximum of 80% of the total eligible

financed by the Commission	costs. The beneficiaries must guarantee co-financing of the remaining minimum 20% in cash. Contributions in kind are not accepted.
Project duration	Between 9 and 24 months
Date of call for proposals	26/03/2010
Deadline for submission	02/07/2010
Selection timeframe	July-Aug. 2010 - Applications evaluation Sept-Oct 2010 – Shortlisted projects submitted to PORGRESS Programme Committee and European Parliament Oct – Dec 2010 – Applicants notified of results and contract issued.
Application process	One-stage process. The internet platform called SWIM allows the applicants to introduce, edit, validate and submit their grant applications: https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/swim
Website	http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=327&langId=en
Contact details	Any question regarding this call for proposals should be directed to: empl-vp-2010-006@ec.europa.eu See also the FAQ section: http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=661&langId=en