







# Call for Proposals 2015 Slovene Scholarship Fund SI04, EEA/NFM

The Centre of the Republic of Slovenia for Mobility and European Educational and Training Programmes (hereinafter CMEPIUS) in cooperation with the Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy hereby publishes the Call for Proposals 2015 for activities within the framework of the Slovene Scholarship Fund SI04, EEA/NFM.

## 1. Aims and Description

This Call for Proposals is based on Protocol 38b to the EEA Agreement on the EEA Financial Mechanism 2009-2014, the Memorandum of Understanding on the Implementation of the European Economic Area (EEA) Financial Mechanism 2009-2014, made between the donor states (the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Iceland and the Principality of Liechtenstein) and the Republic of Slovenia of 21 May 2011, the Regulation on the Implementation of the EEA Financial Mechanism 2009-2014 and its annexes, the Program Agreement on the EEA Slovene Scholarship Fund, and the guidelines adopted by the Financial Mechanism Committee. The Call is additionally based on the Agreement between the Kingdom of Norway and the EU on the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2009-2014, the Memorandum of Understanding on the Implementation of the Norwegian Financial Mechanism (NFM), signed between the Kingdom of Norway and the Republic of Slovenia on 10 May 2011, the Regulation of the Implementation of the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2009-2014 and its annexes, the Programme Agreement on the NFM programme Slovene Scholarship Fund, and all the guidelines adopted by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs after consultations with the beneficiary states.

The Slovene Scholarship Fund SI04, EEA/NFM supports international mobility and inter-institutional projects in education and training, thereby contributing to the strengthening of the development of human capital and knowledge base. The Fund aims to encourage bilateral cooperation between participating countries.

#### 2. Eligibility

The following activities/measures are eligible under the Call:

- Preparatory and study visits;
- Mobility projects in higher education;
- Mobility projects for educational staff in general and vocational education and training;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in higher education;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in education and training.

The eligible applicants for the Slovene Scholarship Fund SIO4, EEA/NFM are:

- Slovene higher education institutions;
- Slovene organisations in the field of primary and secondary general and vocational education and training.

Cooperation in Slovene Scholarship Fund SI04, EEA/NFM is of benefit also to the following organisations:

- Enterprises, social partners and other representatives of working life, including chambers of commerce and industry and other trade organisations;
- Organisations providing guidance, consulting and information services;
- Organisations responsible for systems and policies relating to any aspect of education and training at local, regional and national level;
- Research centres and organisations dealing with lifelong learning issues;
- Non-profit organisations, voluntary bodies, NGOs.

The Slovene Scholarship Fund SI04, EEA/NFM is primarily intended to enhance cooperation of organisations from Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Slovenia.

Detailed information on eligibility of organisations for specific activities and the eligible number of partners are indicated in the National Rules for each measure and the Guide for Applicants.

## 3. Budget and Duration of Projects

The total budget for this Call is estimated at **358.498,00 EUR**. The budget for individual measures is further allocated as follows:

- Mobility projects in higher education 182.137,00 EUR;
- Mobility projects for educational staff in general and vocational education and training -33.938,00 EUR;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in higher education 66.989,00 EUR;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in education and training 60.054,00 EUR;
- Preparatory and study visits 15.380,00 EUR.

All mobility projects and inter-institutional cooperation projects must finish by the end of April 2016.

#### 4. Deadlines for Submission of Project Proposals

Preparatory and study visits	Open deadline for submission
Mobility projects in higher education	12 January 2015
Mobility projects for educational staff in general and vocational education and training	12 January 2015
Inter-institutional cooperation projects in higher education	12 January 2015
Inter-institutional cooperation projects in education and training	12 January 2015

### 5. Further Information

Project proposals shall be completed and submitted on the required forms in the manner as set forth in the National Rules for each measure. Application forms, the Guide for Applicants and the National Rules are available at: <a href="http://www.cmepius.si/en/higher-education/eea-and-norway-grants.aspx">http://www.cmepius.si/en/higher-education/eea-and-norway-grants.aspx</a>

Questions regarding this Call shall be sent only to <u>eeagrants@cmepius.si</u>. Answers will be published regularly on the website of the programme.

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