

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS 1

IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)-2015-02 FOR

TRAINING OF INSPECTORS ON NEW REGULATORY AND INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTION FRAMEWORK THROUGH `TRAIN THE TRAINERS` PROGRAM

1. Can a consortium apply for a grant, and if so, what kind of document, supporting the agreed partnership between the consortium members, is the applicant required to submit?

As indicated in RFP, USAID BEP encourages partnerships / consortia among the organizations with relevant experience, in order to design and deliver the training program at the high-quality level. However, the grant will be awarded to the lead organization in the partnership. The leading, contracted, organization shall be responsible for making all partnership arrangements, including but not limited to division of labor, invoicing, etc., with the other entity(ies). A legally registered partnership is not necessary for these purposes, however the different organizations must be committed to work together in the fulfillment of the grant agreement terms. The applicant should submit a signed letter confirming the partnership among the consortium members, or Memorandum of Cooperation, together with the application.

2. Can members of consortium, other than the lead applicant, be legal entities that are not registered in Serbia?

The same eligibility rules apply for both the lead applicant and consortium members, as specified in Section 3 of RFP, i.e. eligible organizations include legally registered US or Serbian non-for-profit, for-profit, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs). However, the applicant may propose an expert as an individual on the team, whose nationality is not exclusively US or Serbian.