ANNEX C9: Standard Twinning - Publication of the Call for Proposals on the Internet

TWINNING CALL FOR PROPOSALS issued by the European Commission

1. Publication reference

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2. Programme and Financing source

Project title: Support to the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Kazakhstan to Strengthen Institutional Capacity of the Court and the Court's Office (direct management)

Programme title: 45033 NDICI/GEO/Asia&Pacific/2023/ACT-60904/EU-KZ Coop Facility NDICI ASIA [JAD.1096567.1.B2025]

3. Nature of activities, geographical area and project duration

(a) Short description (5 lines) of planned objectives:

The specific objective of this Twinning project is to enhance the analytical and institutional capacities of the Constitutional Court of Kazakhstan and to promote the efficiency of constitutional review processes. This objective includes:

- Strengthening the Court's ability to coherently and consistently interpret and apply human rights standards and principles as well as constitutional principles and doctrines through the provision of international and national expertise;
- Promoting effective legal monitoring of the state of compliance by relevant stakeholders with the legal positions of the Constitutional Court;
- Ensuring robust safeguards for personal data protection in the Court's data processing practices, in compliance with relevant legal standards and principles of data privacy;
- Promoting the legal awareness of the general public and increased interaction with civil society and the media;
- The Court's institutional capacities strengthened in accordance with a long-term development vision.

(b) Geographical area: Kazakhstan

(c) Maximum project duration: 24 months

4. Overall amount available for this Call for Proposals

EUR 2,000,000.00

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

5. Eligibility: Who may apply?

Only Public Administrations and Mandated bodies as per Twinning Manual of European Union Member State may apply through European Union Member States' National Contact Points.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

6. Provisional notification date of results of the award process

July 2025

SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA

7. Selection and award criteria

Selection criteria consider the operational capacity of the Component leaders mentioned in the proposal: Member State Project Leader, Resident Twinning Adviser and Component Leaders; the assessment is expressed on a Yes/No basis and a single negative evaluation of one criterion disqualifies the proposal.

Award criteria consider the **merit of the main qualifying aspects** of the proposal and are evaluated applying a **scoring system (1 to 5)**:

Selection and award of the Member State will be based on an evaluation of several qualitative aspects including but not limited to the proposed methodology, the experience of the proposed RTA and PL, the experience of the administration in cooperation projects and the Member State presentation etc.

See Annex C6 of the Twinning Manual: Administrative compliance and Eligibility grid and Annex C7 of the Twinning Manual.

APPLICATION FORMALITIES

8. Twinning proposal and details to be provided

Twinning proposals must be submitted by the Lead Member State Administration to the EU Member States National Contact Points for Twinning following the instructions of the Twinning Manual which must be strictly observed (including the

¹ "The Contracting Authority communicates the choice of the selected Twinning partner at the latest within two weeks after the date of the selection meetings", as per page 40 of the Twinning Manual.

use of the template).

Only one Twinning proposal for Member State can be submitted by the **Member State National Contact Points for Twinning** to the Contracting Authority within the deadline for applications.

The MS application should be submitted to the Contracting Authority via the email address of Member State National Contact Points for Twinning

9. Deadline for applications

Deadline for submission of Twinning proposals by the National Contact Points to the Contracting Authority: **10 of June 2025 at 16:00** (Brussels time).

The deadline for submission of Twinning proposals by the EU Member State Public Administrations to the corresponding National Contact Point is decided by the latter.

Any application <u>received</u> by the Contracting Authority after this deadline will not be considered.

10. Detailed information

Detailed information on this Call for Proposals is contained in the Twinning Manual and the specific project Twinning Fiches, which are available at the European Union Member States **National Contact Points for Twinning**.

The tentative date(s) envisaged for starting the evaluation committee meetings is:

18 of June 2025

The Member State delegation should always include the proposed PL and RTA(s).