



EU4Business



CALL FOR PROPOSAL

SMEDA project announces a Call for Proposals:

"Support Business Member Organisations"

This Call for Proposal is funded under the "Support to SME Development in Armenia" (SMEDA) project as part of the EU4Business Initiative and GIZ's Regional Private Sector Development in South Caucasus Programme. The project is co-funded by the European Union and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and is implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

The aim of this call is to support Private Sector Organisations (business associations and other business member organisations) in order to

- a) improve the management capacity of these organisations in providing better services to their members/companies, increasing their membership and generating income in order to sustain their operations.
- b) participate effectively in public-private dialogue platforms (policy advocacy and lobbying activities) aiming at improving business and investment climate.

A key priority of this challenge is the aim to strengthening the capacities of business membership organisations (provide more and better services to members/companies; activities to extend their membership; establishment of sector specific working groups; creating or upgrading existing pro bono legal advices/counsels for SME and entrepreneurs); participating in PPD platforms (preparation to present private sector needs; evidence-based policy advocacy). **Specifically, in framework of this grant cycle the idea of PPD is narrowed down to a sector-specific group, to the "people of the same trade". Sector-specificity should be a natural aspect of a PPD, since the dialogue usually arises between a particular industry in the private sector and the part of government regulating or providing some of the public goods (infrastructure, education...) for that specific field.**

All Proposals should be submitted in hard copies to SMEDA office located on Proshyan 12, until November 10th 2017, before 16:00 Yerevan time.

An Information Session for all interested applicants will be organized on October 16th at 15:30 at SMEDA office (Proshyan 12). In order to participate please kindly register via email: info@smeda.am

We look forward to welcoming you in our office and answering to all your questions