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Call for proposals: European Fund for the integration of third country nationals

Project proposal

<u>Topic</u>	Integration of third country nationals in Europe
<u>Programme</u>	<p>Title: <i>To Improve Policies of Integration</i></p> <p>Abbreviation: Tipi</p>
<u>Deadline</u>	<p>12 noon on 11 October 2011</p> <p>Partnership letters must be received by <u>Friday 7 October 2011</u></p>
<u>Context</u>	<p>Immigration is an inherent part of our society; every European city is confronted with this complex phenomenon. Insecurity is too often seen by native populations as a result of immigration, although several studies show that the link between the two is dubious and that people's opinions are often affected by the media as well as by their age, sex and level of education.</p> <p>Cities are now trying to improve the perception of diversity by breaking down barriers between native residents and immigrants. Some European cities are currently experimenting with innovative approaches based on prevention and the integration of immigrants.</p> <p>What is the real impact of these local strategies? The project aims to analyse local communities' responses to the complex phenomenon of immigration and the integration of new arrivals, to identify the best practices, to study the feeling of insecurity among immigrants and to create a European database on the subject.</p> <p>The project will be based on the experience of seven Efus cities. It will tackle the need to reinforce, with tools and analyses, the convictions according to which prevention pays off in the long term, in terms of results and the cost-benefit relationship.</p>
<u>Objective</u>	<p>The project aims to produce practical tools to help the cities to implement integration and inclusion projects. These tools will allow the cities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - evaluate their current projects in order to assess their impact and improve them - carry out a survey among the immigrant population to assess their feeling of insecurity (for example their perception of the city...) - share their results with the other cities on the project



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<u>Methodology</u>	<p>The project is based on three actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - evaluating the impact of integration policies by creating qualitative and quantitative indicators, for example: the degree of immigrants' participation in local initiatives; immigrants' access to municipal services; the involvement of and collaboration between different actors (police, NGOs...). - evaluating current actions and initiatives. The seven partner cities will be selected according to the proportion of their population who are of foreign origin and the integrated projects which they are implementing. These evaluations will be accompanied by a survey of the feeling of insecurity among immigrants. - writing recommendations for the implementation and follow-up of integration policies at workshops, which will take place during Efus' international conference in December 2012 in Aubervilliers and Saint-Denis, in the suburbs of Paris.
<u>Results</u>	<p>The main aim of the project will be to produce:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - qualitative and quantitative indicators of the impact of the integrated crime prevention policies which aim to promote the inclusion of immigrants and a positive perception among the native population; - an online platform with notes and expert advice on using the indicators effectively; - local audits undertaken in seven European cities who are partners of the project, focussed on the evaluation of current projects and the reception and inclusion measures for new arrivals, reinforced by seven surveys of the feeling of insecurity among immigrants in seven European cities; - an exchange workshop aimed at local political decision-makers, project experts and researchers on the European and international level; - recommendations summarising the results (in English, French, Italian and Spanish), as well as the principals and the involvement of the cities for the implementation of an inclusion and integration policy for new arrivals.
<u>Partners and role</u>	<p>Efus (FR) - leader of the project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - administrative and financial management, participation in the methodology and scientific support, organisation of the project's diffusion via a specific communication plan (exchange workshop at the 2012 conference which will bring together cities and researchers)



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	<p>European experts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - participation in the definition of the indicators, the realisation of audits, evaluations and surveys of the feeling of insecurity, writing advice and recommendations. <p>The seven partner cities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - participating in the evaluation of their projects and in the surveys of the feeling of insecurity with the support of Efus and experts; participating in working meetings; participating in the 2012 conference.
<u>Budget</u>	<p>EU funding: 90%</p> <p>Contribution required of each partner: in staff costs</p>
<u>Duration of the project</u>	18 months
<u>Start date of the project</u>	May 2012
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