Terms of reference

Grants and Contracts Manager

Title: Grants and Contracts Manager

Work program: Full time, from 9AM to 6PM **Department:** Finance and Administration

Reports to: Director of Finances and Administration

Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova **Tentative start date:** 01 February 2018

Background

East Europe Foundation is a non-profit, non-political organization established as a foundation, in accordance with the Constitution of the Republic of Moldova, the Law on Foundations and other laws of the Republic of Moldova. EEF was registered on November 3, 2009 and started its main operations on June 1, 2010. EEF goal is to build democratic systems in Moldova, empower Moldovan citizens and foster sustainable development through education, technical assistance and grant programs that promote civil society development, strengthen media, enhance good governance and build economic prosperity.

EEF is the successor organization of Eurasia Foundation in Moldova and continues its rich, 18-year legacy of promoting democracy and the growth of a market economy in Moldova. Eurasia Foundation has invested more than \$400 million through more than 8,400 grants and operating programs in Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan. During the last 18 years, Eurasia Foundation in Moldova has invested more than \$6 million and awarded grants to more than 150 Moldovan NGOs.

EEF Strategy for 2017 - 2020 is funded by the Government of Sweden, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, the European Union, UN Women and other donors. Around 50% of EEF budget goes to re-granting (award of sub-grants to registered NGOs in Moldova).

Position Summary

The Grants and Contracts Manager performs a variety of complex tasks related to sub-grants management, including pre-award due-diligence, contract signing, financial reporting, monitoring and other related tasks. According to EEF policies and procedures, sub-grants are managed by two persons in parallel: the Program Officer is responsible for programmatic aspects and the Grants Manager is responsible for financial aspects.

Main duties and responsibilities:

- Review proposals and financial documents of potential grantees in order to find out the organization's capacity to run the grants' funds;
- Conduct pre-award site visits to potential grantees;
- Review registration, fiscal and other relevant documents of grant applicants in order to determine their legal and financial status and; to present written comments regarding the legal and financial documents;

- Review and coordinate with potential grantees the budgets of submitted project proposals in order to optimize and exclude unallowable expenses. Present written comments based on review results;
- Organize grant management seminars, including the necessary reporting documents, as well as materials that include the requirements of EEF towards the financial reporting on the grant;
- Monitor the execution of grant agreements by EEF grantees; perform regular site visits;
- Keep control over the process of grantee's financial and narrative reporting to EEF;
- Visit, if necessary, the grantees, to provide consultations on issues regarding the proper running of the grants;
- Review the financial reports of grantees;
- Organize the external audit of grants, if required, and review the audit reports prior to final approval by EEF;
- Prepare grant disbursement requests;
- Conduct all necessary close-out procedures of the grants;
- Keep the grant files and ensure all necessary documentation is kept in the file according to the handbook;
- Ensure that full information about all grants is introduced in the grant management system.

Qualifications

Education: Bachelor degree in economics, finance and/or accounting field.

Experience: At least three years of professional experience in finance and accounting. Experience in organizational development and non-profit management. Experience of working with international organizations is an advantage.

Other: Fluency in written and spoken Romanian, Russian and English.

Application procedure:

Interested candidates must submit the following documents:

- 1. Motivation letter, including details of three reference persons;
- 2. Curriculum vitae of the applicant.

The application package shall be submitted via email to: concurs@eef.md with the text "Grants and Contracts Manager" in the subject line, by **14 January 2018.**

For additional information on the activities of the East Europe Foundation please visit the following web site: www.eef.md.

Only selected persons will be contacted. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

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