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**Subject: Partnership Agreement “Assisting Disabled in Case of Disaster –
Implementation - EUNAD IP” ECHO/SUB/2015/718665/PREP17**

Reference: EUNAD IP/Ref. D 5524210
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Dear Trond, dear Marianne,

we send you the Partnership Agreement between the Federal Office of Civil Protection and Disaster Assistance, Germany and the Norwegian Centre for Violence and Traumatic Stress Studies – Research Centre, Oslo, Norway, for the project “Assisting Disabled in Case of Disaster – Implementation - EUNAD IP” (Grant Agreement No: ECHO/SUB/2015/718665/PREP17). Please send one signed copy of the Agreement back to us to the following address:

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Yours sincerely,

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Appendix: Partnership Agreement

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**Partnership Agreement
concerning the project European Network for Psychosocial Crisis
Management – Assisting Disabled in Case of Disaster - Implementa-
tion**

EUNAD-IP

N°ECHO/SUB/2015/718665/PREP17

1. Identification of the concerning parties

The **Coordinating Beneficiary (CO)**, The German Federal Office for Civil Protection and Disaster Assistance, Provinzialstraße 93, 53127 Bonn, Germany, represented by its Vice President Dr. Wolfram Geier (legal representative),

AND

The **Associated Beneficiary (BE4)**, Norwegian Centre for Violence and Traumatic Stress Studies – Research Centre, Gullhaugveien 1-3, N0848 Oslo, Norway, represented by Inger Elise Birkeland, Director

HAVE AGREED

2. Subject

a. Grant Agreement

To the following partnership agreement relates to the project European Network for Psychosocial Crisis Management - Assisting Disabled in Case of Disaster – Implementation (EUNAD-IP), No ECHO/SUB/2015/718665/PREP17, signed on 11.12.15. The project starts on 01.01.2016 and ends on 31.12.2017. **Maximum eligible costs** of the project are **EUR 794.093**, with an EU funding rate of 75% and **maximum EU contribution of EUR 595.570**.

b. Partnership Agreement

This partnership agreement begins at 01.01.2016 and terminates upon date of the payment of balance by CO to BE4. The partnership agreement covers all tasks/actions to be fulfilled by BE4 or in collaboration with/between CO and BE4, with the following tasks B1, B2, B3, B4, C1, C2, D2, E2, E6, F1, F2, G4, H2, H3:

- Contribution to prepare and evaluate the four Steering Group meetings
- Prepare results for the internet presence
- Writing and submission of articles presenting project results, for the publication in various journals
- Presentation at conferences, including ECOTS
- Contact with national media about the development of the project
- Networking with associations of people with disabilities
- Study: Traumatic experiences among blind and visually impaired individuals, coping, and mental health
- Local workshop in Norway
- Contribution to the EUNAD IP conference

- Contributing to creating recommendations concerning psychosocial crisis management for people with disabilities
- Contributing to creating a EUNAD Competence Network, resulting in an expert pool that is accessible on both local and European levels for civil protection and disaster assistance
- EUNAD pilot training in Norway.
- Contribution to the European Training
- Development of a training handbook on the specific reactions, needs and MHPSS interventions for mentally disabled persons in disaster settings
- Contribution to educational EUNAD toolkits for training disabled people

Estimated eligible costs of the tasks/actions covered by the partnership agreement are

EUR 188.745. BE4 contributes EUR 47.186 to the project.

3. Legal and Administrative Provisions

a. Roles and obligations of the CO (as stated in the Grant Agreement, Article II.1.3)

The CO shall be solely legally and financially responsible to the Commission for the full implementation of the project measures in order to achieve the project objectives.

The CO, through the mandate annexed to the grant agreement, is granted power of attorney by the associated beneficiaries, to act in their name and for their account in signing the grant agreement and its possible subsequent amendments with the European Commission.

The CO accepts all the provisions of the agreement with the Commission.

By virtue of the mandate signed, the CO alone is entitled to receive funds from the Commission and distribute the amounts corresponding to the associated beneficiaries' participation in the project and as specified in the agreement established with the associated beneficiaries.

Whenever a BE/co-financier reduces its financial contribution, it shall be incumbent upon the CO, in agreement with the associated beneficiaries, to find the necessary resources to ensure correct implementation of the project. In no case shall the Commission increase its contribution to the rate of co-financing.

The CO shall be the single point of contact for the Commission and shall be the only participant to report directly to the Commission about the technical and financial progress of the project. The CO shall therefore provide to the Commission all the necessary reports, in accordance with Article I.4.1.

The CO shall conclude agreements with all associated beneficiaries describing their technical and financial participation in the project. Such agreements shall be fully compatible with the grant agreement signed with the Commission, shall make a precise reference to the present common provisions and shall have, as a minimum, the contents described in the guidelines issued by the Commission. They shall be signed by the CO and the associated beneficiaries. The provisions of the grant agreement, including the mandate, shall take precedence over any other agreement between the BE4 and the CO which may have an effect on the implementation of the above agreement between the co-coordinator and the Commission.

The CO shall distribute the amount of payment corresponding to BE4's participation.

The BE4 can reduce its contribution only by unanimous agreement with all partners of the project EUNAD IP.

The CO shall provide BE4 with copies of technical and financial reports submitted to the Commission. The CO shall inform BE4 of important events related to the project, e.g. request for/acceptance of supplementary agreements.

b. The role and obligations of the BE4 (as stated in the Grant Agreement, Article II.1.1 and II.1.2)

The associated beneficiaries are exclusively the organizations identified as such in the project and committed to the project implementation through relevant forms.

The BE4, through the mandate annexed to the grant agreement, grants power of attorney to the CO, to act in his name and for his account in signing the grant agreement and its possible subsequent amendment with the European Commission. Accordingly, the BE4 mandates the CO to take full legal responsibility for the implementation of the agreement.

The BE4 accepts all the provisions of the agreement with the European Commission, in particular all provisions affecting the BE4 and the CO alone is entitled to receive funds from the Commission and distribute the amounts corresponding to the BE4's participation in the action.

The BE4 shall do everything in his power to help the CO fulfil the CO's obligations under the grant agreement. In particular, the BE4 hereby shall provide to the co-ordination beneficiary whatever documents or information (technical and financial) may be required, as soon as possible after receiving the request from the CO.

The BE4 must contribute financially to the project and shall benefit from the financial contribution from the Commission in the condition stipulated in the agreement.

The associated beneficiaries shall not report directly to the Commission on the technical and financial progress unless explicitly requested to do so by the Commission.

c. Common obligations for both CO and BE4 (as stated in the Grant Agreement, Article II.1)

The CO and the associated beneficiaries shall maintain up-to-date books of account, in accordance with the normal accounting conventions imposed on them by law and existing regulation. For the sake of traceability of expenditure and income, an analytical accounting system (cost centre accounting) shall be used. The CO and the associated beneficiaries shall retain, throughout the project and for at least five years after the end of the project, all appropriate supporting documentation for all expenditure, income and revenue for the project as reported to the Commission, such as tender documents, invoices, purchase orders, proof of payments, salary slips, time sheets and other documents used for the calculation and presentation of costs. This documentation shall be clear, precise and effective and shall be submitted to the Commission when requested. The CO shall retain copies of all supporting documents of all the associated beneficiaries.

The CO and the associated beneficiaries shall ensure that all invoices include a clear reference to the project, linking them to the analytical accounting system

The CO and the associated beneficiaries shall share freely the know-how necessary for implementation of the project.

The CO shall not act, in the context of the project, as subcontractor or supplier to the associated beneficiaries.

d. Other applicable provisions

The BE4 shall inform the CO, in the technical reports or by letters, of any change in his tasks as detailed in the GA. Changes that would fundamentally alter the overall objectives of the project, that would call into questions the grant award decision or that would be contrary to the equal treatment of applicants will not be accepted.

When the changes are substantial, written additional agreement by the Commission must be issued. Substantial changes are:

Significant changes to the nature of content of actions and/ or deliverables BE4 is responsible for

- Changes of the legal status of the BE4
- Changes which require changes of the partnership in the project
- Changes to the project budget, increasing by more than 10% and € 30.000 of the costs foreseen in one or more categories of expenditure. They shall not apply to the category of "overheads".

In the case of significant changes, the BE4 shall submit a formal request for changes to the CO. The parts of the GA requested for modification must be attached. When a request for changes includes modifications of the project partnership and/or of the budget the CO clarify the modification request with the European Commission and requests for an amendment. The other partners reserve the right to accept or to refuse the request by majority vote and may decide not to take into consideration any request received later than three months before the end of the project.

In case of conflict which cannot be solved among the partnership including civil liability, the law and jurisdiction of Germany applies.

All media issues by the BE4 related to the project and targeted to the public must contain the logo of the project and the logo of EU Commission and /or the hint the project is supported by the European Commission.

e. Special provisions on reporting

The BE4 shall provide the CO with appropriate documents and information to the CO for the

- Technical progress report n°1 at the latest on **July 18th, 2016**
- Technical progress report n°2 at the latest on **March 06th, 2017**

The documents shall contain a statement of expenditure and income using the costs statement form.

The BE4 shall provide the CO with appropriate documents and information for the final implementation report at the latest on **November 15th, 2017**. The documents shall contain

- the technical implementation report based on the prescribed structure of the GA and
- the statement of expenditure and income using the cost statement form (until November 2017).

The final statement of expenditure and income using the cost statement form with a dated and signed "participant cost statement summary" has to be sent until **January 15th, 2018**.

For all reports, evidence – e.g. invoices, accounting documents, tax declarations – are to be attached in copies to the regarding report and noted with the references to the cost statement. The originals remain with the BE4.

The reporting is a regular part of the project meetings.

4. Financial Provisions

a. Project funding and co-financing

The BE4 will implement actions with an estimated total cost of **EUR 188.745**.

The BE4 will contribute **EUR 47.186** to the project of own financial resources.

The estimated total costs incurred by the BE4 will be regularly reviewed during the project. In agreement with the CO (which will take into account the total costs of the project incurred by all participants), the amount specified in this article can be modified, provided that the modifications are in line with the provisions of the grant agreement concerning the project budget.

The final settlement will be based on the Commission's assessment of the final statement of expenditure and income and more precisely on the accepted eligible costs of the project budget.

b. Payment terms

All payments should be made to the bank account as specified by the BE4.

Payment scheme follows the payment made by the Commission.

The CO and the BE4 agree that all payments are considered as pre-financing payments until the Commission has approved the final technical and financial reports and has transferred the final payment to the CO.

The CO will transfer the share of final funding to the BE4 after the Commission has made final payment.

The CO is entitled to incorporate or recover amounts unduly paid to the BE4.

5. Other Provisions

a. Ownership and exploitation of results

The general provision of ownership and exploitation of the project's results are set in Art. II.8.1 and II.8.2 of the GA:

"Unless stipulated otherwise in the Grant Agreement, ownership of the results of the action, including industrial and intellectual property rights, and of the reports and other documents relating to it, shall be vested in the beneficiaries."

The CO and all BE's undertake to inform all partners in the project about publications and to tune the authorship of common deliverables before a publication.

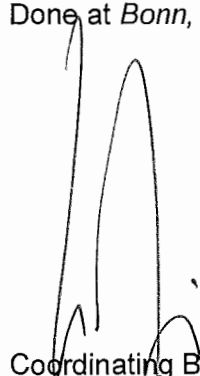
The rights of use of the results and of pre-existing rights by the Union are specified in Article II.8.3 of the GA.

b. Termination of partnership agreement

This partnership agreement will terminate five years after the date the EU Commission has sent the final payment to the CO.

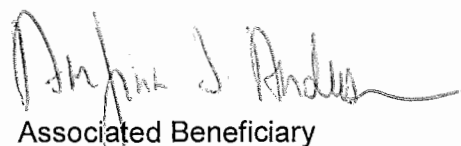
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on 01.07.2016



Coordinating Beneficiary

Dr. Wolfram Geier
Legal representative
Vice President



Associated Beneficiary

for Inger Elise Birkeland
Director



Til
Marianne Bang Hansen og Trond Heir,
Nasjonalt Kunnskapssenter om Vold og Traumatisk Stress

13.12.17

Svar på søknad om støtte fra Norges Blindforbunds forskningsfond (Høst 2017)

Vi viser til søknad om støtte til Synstap og psykisk helse – En undersøkelse blant Norges Blindforbunds medlemmer.

Vi har gleden av å meddele at prosjektet støttes med inntil kr 870 000,-. Det forutsetter at prosjektet gjennomføres som planlagt.

Forskningsfondet er opptatt av at kunnskapen som kommer frem gjennom prosjektet blir gjort kjent for ulike deler av Blindforbundet, ulike fagmiljøer, politikere og andre beslutningstakere.

Støtten fra forskningsfondet utbetales normalt etterskuddsvis, etter at det er sendt inn dokumentasjon på fremdriften i prosjektet og det foreligger dokumentasjon på hvordan midlene er brukt. Ved prosjektets slutt, forutsetter vi at Blindforbundet får en sluttrapport på norsk der prosjektet og resultatene er beskrevet. Husk å opplyse hvilket kontonummer støtten skal overføres til når det bes om utbetaling.

Det bes om at støtten fra Blindforbundets forskningsfond profileres i de sammenhenger det er mulig og der prosjektet omtales.

Vi ønsker dere lykke til med gjennomføringen av prosjektet.

Med vennlig hilsen

Inger Aanesland
Informasjonsmedarbeider

Sverre Fuglerud
Seksjonsleder informasjon
/samfunnskontakt





Til
Audun Brunes,
Trond Heir,
Marianne Bang Hansen

20.12.2018

Vedr. søknad om støtte

Vi viser til søknad om forskningsmidler til prosjektet «Synstap og psykisk helse- en undersøkelse blant Blindforbundets medlemmer».

Vi har gleden av å informere om at prosjektet støttes med det omsøkte beløpet, kr 998.000 under forutsetning av at prosjektet gjennomføres som beskrevet i søknaden.
Det er viktig for Blindforbundet at det i prosjektet vil være utstrakt formidling av resultatene, ikke bare vitenskapelige og faglige, men også i andre relevante fora.

Støtte fra Blindforbundets forskningsfond utbetales normalt etterskuddsvis og for ett år av gangen. Vi ber om at det legges frem en rapport som beskriver resultatene i prosjektet når det bes om utbetalt støtte. Vi forutsetter at det informeres om at Blindforbundet støtter prosjektet når det er mulig.

Lykke til!

Med vennlig hilsen

Sverre Fuglerud (sign.)
Seksjonsleder





Til: Nasjonalt kunnskapssenter om vold og traumatisk stress
(NKVTS) i Oslo. V/ Audun Brunes

04.12.2019

**Svar på søknad om støtte fra Norges Blindforbunds
forskningsfond (høst 2019)**

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Med vennlig hilsen

Sign/

Sverre Fuglerud

Seksjonsleder samfunnskontakt



Ann-Irene Dæhlin
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