

4. IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

4.1. Financing Agreement

In order to implement this action, it is envisaged to conclude a financing agreement with the partner country.

4.2. Indicative Implementation Period

The indicative operational implementation period of this action, during which the activities described in section 3 will be carried out and the corresponding contracts and agreements implemented, is 84 months from the date of where a financing agreement is concluded entry into force of the financing agreement.

Extensions of the implementation period may be agreed by the Commission's responsible authorising officer by amending this Financing Decision and the relevant contracts and agreements.

4.3. Implementation of the Budget Support Component [For Budget Support only]

N.A.

4.4 Implementation Modalities

The Commission will ensure that the EU appropriate rules and procedures for providing financing to third parties are respected, including review procedures, where appropriate, and compliance of the action with EU restrictive measures³.

4.4.1. Direct Management (Grants)

Grants: (direct management)

4.4.1.1 (a) Purpose of the grant(s)

Specific Objective 1: Evidence-based disaggregated data and expertise for the MIP implementation provided. For the implementation of specific measures under outputs 2 (Improved formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of EU programmes and TEIs and better compliance with commitments taken by the Federal Republic of Nigeria as part of international cooperation agreements (e.g. the Sustainable Development Agenda)) and 3 (Investments via the EU innovative financial instruments).

(b) Type of applicants targeted

The grant targets CSOs (as defined under section 2 – identification of main stakeholders) with experience and knowledge of EU standards for conducting good quality research and studies relevant to the achievements of the objectives of the EU, of Team Europe Initiatives and of EU outreach events/projects.

4.4.1.2 (a) Purpose of the grant(s)

Specific Objective 3: Reinforce the EU role as Nigeria's strategic partner. For implementation of specific measures.

(b) Type of applicants targeted

The grant targets CSOs (as defined under section 2 – identification of main stakeholders) with experience and track record in facilitating strategic dialogues in the key areas identified in the EU-Nigeria Ministerial Roadmap. It will also target partners with experience in facilitating the EU cultural, climate and economic diplomacy.

³ In order to avoid details on budgets for individual contracts, it is sufficient to indicate the total envelop for procurement. If budgets for individual contracts are public, tenderers tend to orientate themselves on them and not on the terms of reference.

³ www.sanctionsmap.eu. Please note that the sanctions map is an IT tool for identifying the sanctions regimes. The source of the sanctions stems from legal acts published in the Official Journal (OJ). In case of discrepancy between the published legal acts and the updates on the website it is the OJ version that prevails.