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**RS-Belgrade: IPA — technical assistance to the Serbian  
authorities for the management of pre-accession assistance  
2012/S 243-398333**

**Location: Europe (non-EU) — Serbia**

**Contract forecast notice**

**Services**

Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):

Main object:

75130000 Supporting services for the government

1. **Publication reference:**  
EuropeAid/133788/C/SER/RS.
2. **Procedure:**  
Restricted.
3. **Programme:**  
IPA.
4. **Financing:**  
Financing agreement.
5. **Contracting authority:**  
European Union, represented by the European Commission, on behalf of and for the account of the beneficiary country, Belgrade, SERBIA.
6. **Nature of contract:**  
Fee-based.
7. **Contract description:**  
The objective of this contract is to assist the Serbian administration to effectively manage pre-accession assistance in order to speed up preparations for EU membership. For this purpose the contract is foreseen to provide with:  
organisation of training, intensive coaching, specialised counselling, ad hoc advice and consolidation/  
strengthening of capacities via suitable on-the-job training, study visits and formal training in the first phases of decentralised management system after conferral;  
assisting the improvement of the organisational set-up and the institutional capacity of the relevant national IPA authorities to carry out financial management, control, procurement and monitoring responsibilities in line with the EU requirements;  
reviewing of current operational procedures and interinstitutional protocols/agreements for EU funds management for all IPA components and their updating/upgrading in line with the new financial regulations.  
Assistance to possible newly established bodies within the system;  
assistance to relevant authorities for preparation for IPA component V.
8. **Numbers and titles of lots:**  
The contract is divided into lots:

No, 1 lot only.

9. **Budget:**

Maximum budget: 1 500 000 EUR.

10. **Intended timing of publication of procurement notice:**

February 2013.

11. **Additional information**

12. **Legal basis:**

Council Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006 of 17.7.2006 establishing an Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA).

13. **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

4.12.2012.

**Remarks:**

There must be a minimum period of 30 calendar days between the publication of this contract forecast and the publication of the corresponding procurement notice.

No applications or requests for information should be sent at this stage.