1. NAME OF PROGRAMME

North-south cooperation in the campaign against drugs and drug addiction

2. BUDGET LINE

19 02 11 – “North-south cooperation in the campaign against drugs and drug addiction”

- For budget line 19 02 11, the C1 Commitment Appropriations for 2006 in the general Budget are €5,900,000.

- For budget line 19 02 11, the C5 Commitment Appropriations for 2006 in the general Budget are €1,617,179.94. This amount (supplemented with other commitment appropriations becoming available throughout the year) will be used in addition to C1 appropriations.

3. LEGAL BASIS FOR THE FUNDING

Regulation (EC) No 2046/97 of the Council of 13 October 1997 on north-south cooperation in the campaign against drugs and drug addiction \(^1\) provide the legal basis for all activities under budget line 19 02 11 of the EU budget.

4. START AND END DATES OF PROGRAMME

The programming document “An external relations drugs strategy for the European Community with a view to programming the North-South co-operation budget line (190211) for 2006”\(^2\) covers the year 2006. This Annual Work Programme also covers the year 2006.

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\(^2\) Order for services, note from Mr. E. Landaburu to Mr. K. Richelle, 514564 of 25 July 2006.
5. **General Objectives and Priorities for 2006**

The general objectives of this programme are explicitly set out in the Regulation 2046/97 (Article 1):

“In the framework of its development cooperation policy and taking account of the harmful effects on development efforts of the production, trading and consumption of drugs, the Community shall carry out cooperation activities in the field of drugs and drug addiction in developing countries, giving priority to those which have demonstrated political will at the highest level to solve their drug problem.”

For the year 2006 work under this programme is defined by the programming document “An external relations drugs strategy for the European Community with a view to programming the North-South co-operation budget line (19 02 11) for 2006”.

The objective of the Annual Work Programme is to assist developing countries in their efforts in the fight against drugs and drug addiction. The aim is to present a comprehensive approach that seeks to fight the drug problem by addressing its various components and doing it in a balanced way attaching comparable efforts to the various concerns, and across various regions. The geographic and thematic priorities in this Annual Work Programme are based on the priorities as identified in the programming document. The actions will address systemic concerns, thus emphasising institutional strengthening, besides drug supply and demand side considerations.

6. **Types of Action and Indicative Budget Allocation**

Actions shall fall under one of the following sub-headings:

6.1. **Joint management actions and grants to be awarded without a call for proposals**

The programme is implemented through financial support provided in the form of contributions to the costs (excluding any profit) of activities that contribute to the objectives of the programme. The EC contribution may generally reach up to 90% of the total eligible cost.

The majority of actions will be implemented in joint management with international organisations actively working for fight against drugs and drug addiction (such as UNODC and UNESCO), given their expertise and their current programmes in the matter.

One action will be developed to make city policy-makers and city government structures in Latin America and the Caribbean more aware of their responsibilities to drug-dependent individuals. As the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD) of the Organisation of American States (OAS) is the leading and most experienced organisation dealing with the fight against drugs on the American continent.

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3 Definition: “… actions, performance of which requires the pooling of resources from a number of donors, where it is not reasonably possible or appropriate to assign the share contributed by each donor to each type of expenditure” [Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002, OJ L357 31/12/2002, Art.43.1].
and its competence covers the entire American continent and it is the sole drugs agency in that respect, the project will be implemented by Organisation of American States, through its Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission having a de facto monopoly position in the area.

The Commission intends to support activities under this heading in a number of countries/regions among which are Latin America and the Caribbean, West Africa, Asia, Mediterranean region and Middle East. These actions will target priorities established in the programming document.

Around **EUR 7.517.179,94 million** C1 and supplementary credits are allocated to support actions falling under this heading. The Commission will take ad-hoc financing decisions for the proposed actions.

### 6.2. Service contract

A service contract will be concluded to contribute to the review process of the EU-LAC Panama Action Plan, which was adopted in April 1999 at the High Level Meeting of the EU-LAC Co-ordination and Co-operation Mechanism on Drugs (the Mechanism). The EU-LAC Summit in Vienna in May 2006 called for a full review of the Panama Action Plan with the purpose of developing and strengthening this Mechanism.

**EUR 190.000,00** will be allocated to this contract. The contractor will be selected through the Framework Contract Beneficiaries procedure, lot 7 "Culture, Governance and Home Affairs".

### 7. Expected results

It is expected that five or six projects will be funded from the available budgetary appropriations. The projects will result in addressing some of the main inter-regional and global challenges posed today by the drug problem. They will contribute to the institutional strengthening, drugs supply and demand control.

### 8. Organisations which may benefit from the programme

According to the Regulation (EC) No 2046/97, the programme might assist a wide range of organisations.

### 9. Eligibility


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4 Regulation (EC) No 2046/97, Article 5: The cooperation partners eligible for financial support under this Regulation shall be regional and international organisations, in particular UNDCP, local and Member State-based non-governmental organisations, national, provincial and local government departments and agencies, community-based organisations, institutes and public and private operators.

5 Definition “international public-sector organisations set up by intergovernmental agreements, and specialised agencies set up by such organisations” [Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002, OJ L357 31/12/2002, Art.43.2(a)].
Grants to organisations having a *de jure* or *de facto* monopoly to carry out a proposed action, in accordance with in accordance with Article 168 of Commission Regulation 2342/2002 being the only organisations to be able to implement a specific action with the required expertise in a given region or regions.

Eligibility for framework contract mentioned under section 6.2 is determined by the framework contract beneficiaries' procedure and may be profit-making.

**10. PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED, INCLUDING MEANS OF ACCESS**

**10.1 Grants regarding a monopoly and joint management actions**

The evaluation and selection of actions referred to in section 6.1, is executed by a selection committee comprised of Commission staff that verifies the eligibility of the beneficiaries and their co-operating partners and evaluates the overall quality of all eligible actions against criteria consistent with those applied for proposals received in response to a call for proposals. The selection committee then recommends to the Commission those actions for funding that best meet these criteria, respecting the limitations of the available funds. Based on this selection process the Commission will take one or more financing decisions.

**10.2 Framework contract**

Procedures to award framework contracts are laid down on the relevant AIDCO web page⁷.

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