**APPLICANT DECLARATION**

The applicant, represented by the undersigned, being the authorised signatory of the applicant, in the context of the present call for proposals, representing any co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies) in the proposed action, hereby declares that:

* the applicant has sufficient financial capacity to carry out the proposed action or work programme;
* the applicant certifies the legal statues of the applicant and of the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies) as reported in the application;
* the applicant and the co-applicant(s) have the professional competences and qualifications specified in the Guidelines for Applicants;
* the applicant undertakes to comply with the principles of good partnership practice;
* the applicant is directly responsible for the preparation, management and implementation of the action with the co-applicant(s), if any, and is not acting as an intermediary;
* The applicant and the co-applicant(s) are not in any of the situations excluding them from participating in contracts which are listed in [Section 2.3.3](http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/document.do?nodeNumber=2.3.3) of the Practical Guide (available from the following Internet address: <http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/document.do>). Furthermore, it is recognised and accepted that if the applicant and co-applicant(s) (if any) participate in spite of being in any of these situations, they may be excluded from other procedures in accordance with [Section 2.3.4](http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/document.do?nodeNumber=2.3.4) of the Practical Guide;

* the applicant and each co-applicant and affiliated entity (if any) are eligible in accordance with the criteria set out in the Guidelines for Applicants;
* if recommended to be awarded a grant, the applicant, the co-applicant(s) and the affiliated entity(ies) accept the contractual conditions as laid down in the Standard Contract annexed to the Guidelines for Applicants;
* the applicant and the co-applicant(s) are aware that, for the purposes of safeguarding the financial interests of the EU, their personal data may be transferred to internal audit services, to the European Court of Auditors, to the Financial Irregularities Panel or to the European Anti-Fraud Office.

The applicant is fully aware of the obligation to inform without delay the BEST 2.0 Secretariat to which this application is submitted if the same application for funding made to other European Commission departments or European Union institutions has been approved by them after the submission of this grant application.

The applicant acknowledges that according to Article 131 (5) of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (Official Journal L 298 of 26.10.2012, p. 1) and Article 145 of its Rules of Application (Official Journal L 362, 31.12.2012, p.1) applicants found guilty of misrepresentation may be subject to administrative and financial penalties under certain conditions.

Signed on behalf of the applicant

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