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**BA-Sarajevo: IPA — Strengthening public procurement system in Bosnia and Herzegovina  
2013/S 066-109498**

**Location — Europe (non-EU) — Bosnia and Herzegovina**

**Contract forecast notice**

**Services**

Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):

Main object:

71356200 Technical assistance services

1. **Publication reference:**  
EuropeAid/134280/C/SER/BA.
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, Sarajevo, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA.
6. **Nature of contract:**  
Fee-based.
7. **Contract description:**  
The objective of the project is to contribute to the development and implementation of a sound and efficient legal, institutional and operational foundation for an effective functioning of the public procurement system in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in accordance with EU standards and institutional models and practices, including the use of modern information technology and e-procurement techniques.  
The indicative activities will support the implementation of new public procurement legislation — legislatively, institutionally and operationally; support the effective functioning of the central public procurement institutions (PPA and PRB); support the effective functioning of operational public procurement structures within contracting authorities and economic operators; develop and support a long-term sustainable capacity building and training system and provide training for the BiH public procurement community; develop and promote policies and measures on fighting corruption in public procurement; and support further development of electronic system of monitoring public procurement processes.
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:**  
May 2013.
11. **Additional information**
12. **Legal basis:**  
Council Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006 establishing an Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA).
13. **Date of dispatch of this notice:**  
22.3.2013.

**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.