



MINISTRY OF ARTS AND CULTURE

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The ACP Secretariat has launched its first Open Call for Proposals in respect of ACP-EU Support Programme to the ACP Cultural Sector.

The objective of the Support Programme is, *inter-alia* to: -

- (i) promote an environment that encourages creation, exchanges, the independence and viability of the cultural sector in the ACP States while adding value to their cultural diversity; and
- (ii) contribute to the development and structuring of the cinema and audiovisual industries in the ACP States, enabling them to create and distribute their own works more effectively, and to enhance the promotion of ACP cultural diversity and more intense intercultural dialogue.

The call for proposals is divided into two lots: -

- (i) Lot 1 - ACP Films II Cinema/ Audio visual;
- (ii) Lot 2 - ACP Cultures II. All cultural sectors other than cinema/ audiovisual.

Eligible applicants including NGOs and private sector bodies are invited to submit their application directly to the ACP Secretariat in Belgium. The deadline for submission of the entries is **30 June 2011**. Further information is available on the website of the ACP Secretariat www.acpculturesplus.eu.

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