



HM Government

# EU Settlement Scheme Grant Funding

Teleconference for voluntary and community  
sector organisations

November 2018





## AGENDA

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**EU Settlement Scheme** overview



Making the scheme accessible for **vulnerable and at risk EU citizens**



Information on the **Grant Funding**



**Q&A** and next steps



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## POINTS TO NOTE DURING THIS TELECONFERENCE

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**1** Participation will give organisations the **opportunity to think about their bid response**

**2** Participation in the teleconference, and any **information provided will not be used for evaluation purposes** in the future grant scheme tendering process

**3** These slides will be **accessible to all interested parties** through the engagement exercise

**4** **An anonymised summary** of the information/feedback may be reported to the market as part of the **tender briefing documents**, due to be **released at end November 2018**



## OVERVIEW OF THE EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME

- EU citizens and their family members in the UK will need to apply to secure their rights through a simple digital system to get settled status or pre-settled status
- The application process will be as quick and user-friendly as possible. We'll use existing government data to reduce the amount of evidence they will need to provide
- The EU Settlement Scheme will open fully by 30 March 2019 and the deadline for applying will be 30 June 2021, in line with the draft Withdrawal Agreement. EU citizens may be able to apply after this date if they are joining a family member with settled or pre-settled status in the UK

### Key eligibility requirements:



EU citizen or family member



Arrived in the UK before  
31 December 2020, or  
close family member



Not a serious or  
persistent criminal or  
public security risk



## HOW TO APPLY TO THE SCHEME

### Application process



#### 1. Proof of identity

- Verify proof of identity and nationality by scanning a passport or EU national identity card and uploading a facial photograph.
- Alternatively, documentation may be sent by post.

#### 2. Proof of residence

- Confirm proof of residence in the UK by providing a National Insurance number, if available.
- Alternatively, other documentation may be provided.

#### 3. Criminality check

- Complete the criminality check by declaring any criminal convictions.

Application fees will be £65 and £32.50 for children under 16 years. It will be free for those with valid documented permanent residence or valid indefinite leave to remain or enter, and also for looked after children.



## VULNERABLE OR AT RISK EU CITIZENS

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### **Diverse group with wide range of needs, such as:**

- Identifying need to apply
- Help with technology
- Support with language
- Demonstrating meet criteria

### **End-to-end application assistance / help accessing services with status once granted, including:**

- Resolution centre
- Translations
- Assisted digital
- All staff trained in safeguarding & specialist teams
- Direct support from external parties, such as local authorities (e.g. looked after children), community groups and charities.





## AN OVERVIEW OF THE GRANTS SCHEME

- Up to **£9m in funding** will be awarded in **FY19/20** through open competition to multiple bidders
- Our aim is to ensure grants are awarded across the UK so that funds are provided where support is **most needed**. We will also aim to ensure that organisations who support a **range of vulnerable or at risk groups, nationalities** and **geographical coverage** are considered

### Examples of support activities and services that organisations may want to use the funding for:

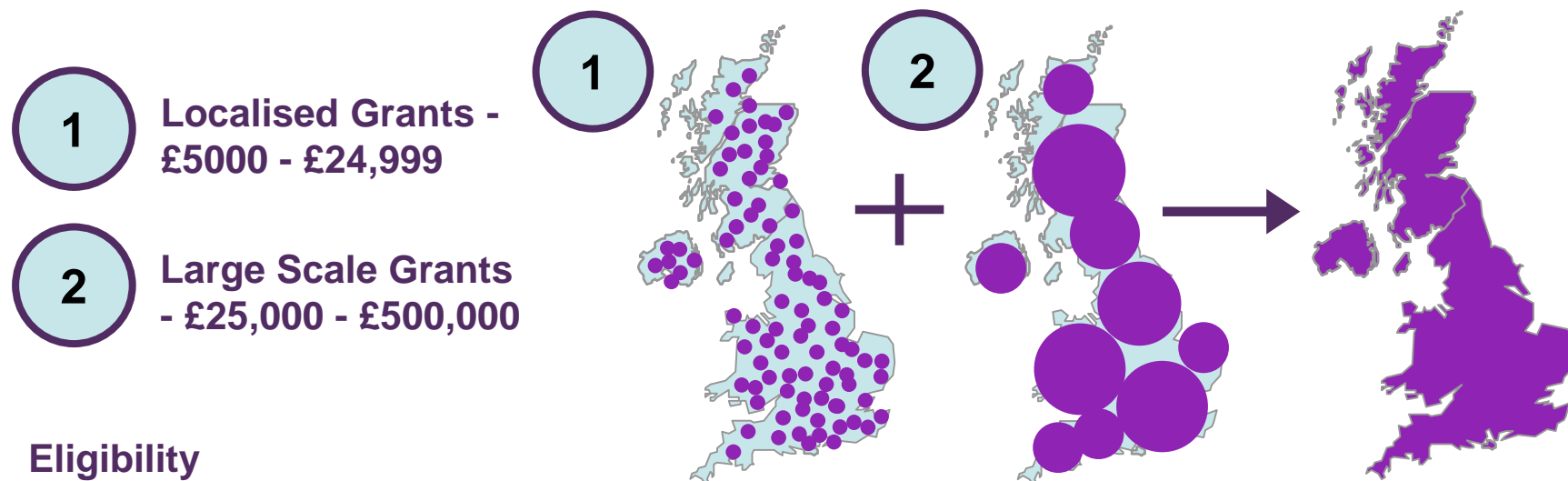
- Awareness raising
- Information provision
- Drop-in sessions
- Signposting
- Language support
- Upskill local organisations
- Equipment/digital provision
- End-to-end service
- Immigration advice





## AN OVERVIEW OF THE GRANTS SCHEME

There are currently two proposed levels of award:



### Eligibility

- Charities, NGOs, NPOs, PVOs, Civic Groups, Community Foundations, Community Organisations, Religious Organisations, Social Enterprise, Support Group, CIC
- Applications of no more than 25% of organisation's annual income
- Consortia or partnership applications eligible for up to 25% of combined income
- Organisations should ensure they are qualified to provide the level of support they are proposing in their application





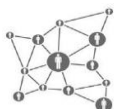
## WHAT ARE THE INTENDED HIGH LEVEL STRATEGIC OUTCOMES



Provision of practical support to vulnerable or at risk EU citizens in completing their Settlement Scheme application



Support will be given across all the diverse range of vulnerable or at risk citizens who may need it, including vulnerable citizens who are unable to access existing services locations



Ensure an inclusive approach to dealing with vulnerable or at risk citizens. e.g. signposting or referral to other organisations who can give support



Ensure complete geographical coverage across the UK, so that support is delivered to anyone who needs additional support to complete their application



Understand the volumes of citizens engaged, the success of engagement and the number of completed applications. This will be collected and monitored through quarterly reporting



## GRANTS SCHEME TIMELINE – INDICATIVE ONLY

| Milestone   | Start Date            | End Date |
|---|-----------------------|----------|
| Release Technical Notice including invite to teleconference | 24/10/18              |          |
| Market engagement activity                                  | 09/11/18              | 23/11/18 |
| Launch tender through online CCS e-sourcing portal          | 30/11/18              |          |
| Clarification period  | 03/12/18              | 14/12/18 |
| Bid submission deadline                                     | 01/02/19              |          |
| Collate and evaluate submissions including due diligence    | 04/02/19              | 01/03/19 |
| Grant agreement anticipated release date                    | 08/04/19              |          |
| Mobilisation  | From 08/04/19 onwards |          |



## OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION SERVICES COMMISSIONER - OISC

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- The Office for the Immigration Service Commissioner – OISC provides guidance on the appropriate levels of registration for Voluntary and Community Sector organisations here:
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-the-community-and-voluntary-sector>
- All organisations placing bids must be aware of the level of OISC registration they require in line with the services they are to be providing in supporting vulnerable persons making their applications for the Scheme.



## MARKET ENGAGEMENT EXERCISE

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### Key Considerations

The Home Office is seeking to build on existing engagement and refine the approach and assess provision for support services before formally commencing the open competition, expected late November 2018

The **purpose** of the market engagement exercise and the **focus of the questions** that will be asked are:

1. To gauge **level of interest** in the EUSS Grant Scheme from potential bidders
2. To **better understand** the nature of the EUSS Grant Scheme **bids that might be submitted**
3. To provide **an opportunity** for potential bidders **to raise any issues or concerns** they may have about the EUSS Grant Scheme or the bidding process

### Next Steps

- An online questionnaire will be issued to VCS organisations on Contract Finder on 9th November
- Deadline for submitting questionnaires is 12 noon on 23rd November
- The content of questionnaires will be vital in refining the detail of the open competition
- They will also enable VCS organisations to put forward their thoughts and feedback about the grants scheme



# QUESTIONS

