

4 IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

4.1 Financing Agreement

In order to implement this action, it is not envisaged to conclude a financing agreement with the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia.

4.2 Indicative Implementation Period

The indicative operational implementation period of this action, during which the activities described in section 3 will be carried out and the corresponding contracts and agreements implemented, is 36 months from the date of adoption by the Commission of this Financing Decision.

Extensions of the implementation period may be agreed by the Commission's responsible authorising officer by amending this Financing Decision and the relevant contracts and agreements.

4.3 Implementation of the Budget Support Component

N/A

4.4 Implementation Modalities

The Commission will ensure that the EU appropriate rules and procedures for providing financing to third parties are respected, including review procedures, where appropriate, and compliance of the action with EU restrictive measures²⁴.

4.4.1 Direct Management (Grants)

Grant: (direct management)

(a) Purpose of the grant

The grant will contribute to part of Specific Objective 2, in particular Output 2.2.

(b) Type of applicants targeted

International NGOs with experience in the education sector in Ethiopia, in particular on:

- Support to pre-primary education; and
- Support to gender equality

4.4.2 Indirect Management with an international organisation

A part of this action may be implemented in indirect management with an entity, which will be selected by the Commission's services using the following criteria:

- Proven experience in supporting the education sector in Ethiopia, including expertise on inclusion of children with disabilities in education;
- Experience in rehabilitation and refurbishment of education infrastructure with a gender and disability sensitivity, including on accessibility standards,;

²⁴ www.sanctionsmap.eu. Please note that the sanctions map is an IT tool for identifying the sanctions regimes. The source of the sanctions stems from legal acts published in the Official Journal (OJ). In case of discrepancy between the published legal acts and the updates on the website it is the OJ version that prevails.