

PRIOR NOTIFICATION

for publishing the Public Call 01/2017 for submission of applications for allocation of funds from the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development of the European Union (IPARD 2014-2020- II)

Agency for Financial Support of the Agriculture and Rural Development hereby notify all interested legal and natural persons that **in the January 2017 shall be** published Public Call for submission of applications for allocation of funds from the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development of the European Union (IPARD 2014-2020- II)

The IPARD Program 2014-2020 is through the development of human and physical capital to improve food security and the ability of the agri-food sector to cope with competition in the market, and the gradual adjustment of the sector with EU standards, especially those relating to hygiene and the environment, and in order to achieve balanced territorial development of rural areas.

Funds from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 (Official Gazette br.177 / 16) regarding the implementation of this Call of January 2017 intended for the following measures:

- Investments in tangible assets of agricultural holdings
- Investments in tangible assets for processing and marketing of agricultural and fishery products
- Diversification of farms and business development.

The rules for allocation of funds from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 foresee prior signing the contract to potential users with the Agency for Financial Support of Agriculture and Rural Development and implementation of the approved investment under previously agreed terms. Control of the site and the supervision of the contract executed by authorized persons from the Agency for Financial Support of Agriculture and Rural Development and relevant institutions of the Republic of Macedonia for management and control of IPARD and the European Union.

The method and procedure of financial support from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 is stipulated in the Regulation on the procedure for allocation of financial assistance for rural development measures financed by the IPARD Programme 2014-2020 (Official Gazette No.64 / 16).

The announcement shall be valid **45 days** from the date of publishing the Public Call in the daily newspapers.

NOTICE: The necessary documentation for preparing and submitting applications, including the Guideline for Beneficiaries of funds from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 will be updated and announced on the Agency's web page before publishing of the Public Call.

The interested parties can obtain more detail information on the type of investments, the criteria for obtaining financial assistance, the aid intensity per measures at the:

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The interested agriculture producers can obtain free-of-charge information for the development and submission of applications as well as practical advices for the applying process at the regional centers of the Agency for Development of the Agriculture of RM (The contact list of the regional centers and appointed contact persons is published on the web pages of the relevant institutions.)

