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Reducing vulnerabilities for refugees and Lebanese host communities and strengthening Lebanese civil society – Q&A on the Call for Proposals (CfP)

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Question	Answer
<p>Eligibility criteria Are organisations currently receiving a grant from CISU or other similar pools funded by the MFA, considered to have undergone a formal capacity assessment as required to fulfil eligibility criteria 3?</p> <p>Can pools apply for the call as a lead applicant?</p> <p>Will Danish NGOs that are in the process of obtaining CHS certification, but have not yet completed the process, be eligible to apply for funding under window 1?</p>	<p>Eligibility criteria Organisations that have undergone an assessment by an Assessment Committee and on that basis have been found eligible for receiving a grant under CISU or other similar pools funded by Danida, are considered to fulfil eligibility criteria 3 under the call on “Reducing vulnerabilities for refugees and Lebanese host communities and strengthening Lebanese civil society.” Please note that in order to also fulfil criteria 2 the organisation must be receiving the relevant grant at the time of the application for this call.</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>No.</p>

<p>Is it possible to apply for funding under window 1, being verified – and not certified – against Core Humanitarian Standards (CHS)?</p>	<p>Yes, for window 1, the Lead Applicant must be able to document certification or verification against Core Humanitarian Standards (CHS).</p>
<p>Number and type of applicants Instead of entering into a consortium with multiple local partners, is it possible to partner with just a single local partner and subcontract the services of other NGOs as delivering direct input to project activities?</p> <p>In the information note it says: “Each applicant can submit only one proposal. That accounts for both Lead Applicant and sub applicants”. Does that also apply to sub-contractors, and when do you consider a stakeholder to be a sub-applicant?</p> <p>Can the LNGO partner in Lebanon contract other LNGOs In Lebanon with specialist expertise to fulfil some aspects of the project proposal?</p>	<p>Number of applicants Reference is made to eligibility criteria 4 in the information note. The CfP wishes to emphasize the value of entering into partnerships. It is possible to engage in multiple partnerships with local NGOs, as long as all the requirements of the CfP are fulfilled. If necessary, the local NGO can engage in subcontracting with other local NGOs for specific services.</p> <p>Please see above answer in regards to sub-contractors. It is not possible to be associated with more than one proposal neither as Lead Applicant nor sub applicant. It is possible for local partner organisations and subcontractors based in Lebanon to be associated with more than one proposal.</p> <p>Please see above answer in regards to subcontractors.</p>

<p>Target groups</p> <p>What age group is considered youth and will interventions including both youth and children also be given priority?</p> <p>Is Youth the only target group for this CfP? And if so, what age range does Danida use to define youth?</p> <p>What are your vulnerability criteria other than people from refugee and host- communities?</p>	<p>Target Groups</p> <p>There is no defined age group and it will be evaluated against the specific project proposal and the activities in question. Activities for children can also be included, however they are not specifically prioritised in this call.</p> <p>Youth is not the only target group, but a prioritized target group. Regarding the second question, please see above answer.</p> <p>There is no exhaustive list of vulnerability criteria and it will be evaluated against the specific context analysis and needs presented in the proposal. With reference to the priorities highlighted in the information note, it could for instance include people in need of strengthened protection because of specific age-, gender- and/or disability-related issues.</p>
<p>Finance</p> <p>Financial support to third parties and/or the possibility of including a sub-granting element in the proposal. Is it allowed?</p> <p>According to EU Commission Decision C(2019)2646/F1 the use of unit costs has been authorized for declaring personnel costs for the work carried out by volunteers under an action or a work programme, and volunteer work may also count as co-financing. Does this rule also apply to this call?</p> <p>Which administration guidelines does the CfP refer to and is it possible to use overhead or not?</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>No.</p> <p>No.</p> <p>The CfP refer to the Administrative retningslinjer for tilskudsforvaltning gennem private danske organisationer that has been updated in</p>

<p>Can you confirm that the budget must be output (and not outcome) based? The budget template shows Output 1-4, but according to the instructions we can have up to nine outputs, so if the budget is output based, we assume we can add budget lines as necessary – is that correct?</p> <p>What are requirements for audit in application above 18 months? Every year? or by end of the grant?</p>	<p>September 2020. That means that overhead can no longer be used. The new budget format (annex 4) must be used. The confusion caused by a link to the old administrative guidelines in the information note has been corrected.</p> <p>Yes, the budget must be output based and it is possible to add as many budget lines as needed in order to cover the outputs in the proposal.</p> <p>Reference is made to the guidelines for single projects that the grant is administered according to Administrative retningslinjer for tilskudsforvaltning gennem private danske organisationer. Here it is stated that both yearly and final accounts must be audited.</p>
<p>Project proposal template and annexes</p> <p>In the proposal template section 3 “local partnerships” the parenthesis below refers to an annex “to be annexed.” Does this refer to annex 4?</p> <p>Can you clarify if the partner description of max 2 pages is supposed to be covering all partners or if one partner description of max 2 pages should be submitted for each of the partners?</p>	<p>Project proposal template</p> <p>Yes, this refers to annex 4 – partner description, which is a mandatory annex to the proposal.</p> <p>You must submit a partner description of max 2 pages for each partner.</p>
<p>Start date</p>	<p>Start date</p>

Can application start anytime in first quarter of 2021? Or 1 of January?

Proposals are expected to commence as fast as possible entering the new year and latest by the end of the first quarter.