Call for Proposals (CfP)

Gender-transformative food and nutrition security project Sofala Province, Mozambique

Questions and Answers

Question 1:

Can an organization that is not registered in Mozambique but intends to partners with local organizations apply for the Call for proposal?

Answer Question 1:

As per Annex 1 of the CfP document "The Applicant must have an existing presence in Mozambique (country office or other permanent presence, subsidiary, long-term operations or partnerships in the country)." It is therefore not strictly necessarily that the applicant is registered in Mozambique as long as it can show a record of long-term partnerships in the country.

In addition, as stated on p. 11 of the CfP document "Applications under this CfP can be submitted by one single organisation or by a Consortium consisting of two or more eligible partner organisations/ institutions who work together under a consortium arrangement." The formal eligibility criteria concerning the applicant will be applied to a consortium consisting of two or more organisations/ institutions, not to each single partner of a consortium.

However, whether an applicant is eligible or not to apply depends on the set of criteria specified in the CfP document and its Annex 1. ADA will not provide a detailed pre-assessment of an organization's eligibility without a full application.

Question 2:

Is it a requirement for the applicant to have an Austrian portfolio or to be an Austrian organization?

Answer Question 2:

Based on the CfP document and its Annex 1 there is no eligibility criteria that would require applicants to have an Austrian portfolio or to be registered in Austria.

Question 3:

If the applying agent is an INGO, is it mandatory to partner with a local NGO/ partner?

Answer Question 3:

As per point 6.2. of the CfP invitation "Eligible applicants will need to cooperate with one or more local partner organisations. Local partners must have valid registration/ authorization according to the legal provisions in Mozambique. The local partners must be representatives of civil society and bear joint responsibility for project planning and implementation as well as for the performance of their services under the project. They must have sufficient operational and administrative capabilities at their disposal for project implementation and support." It is therefore required that an international NGO cooperates with a local partner organisation.

Question 4:

Is a non-profit International Organisation eligible to submit an application?

Answer Question 4:

This call is limited to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and thereby excludes International Organisations as applicants or as members of a consortium.

Question 5:

Can a consortium comprising a Non-Government Organization and a private organization submit an application?

Answer Question 5:

As stated on page 3, section 1 of the CfP invitation "This CfP invites Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) that qualify as development organisations or other equivalent institutions as defined in Section 3, Subsection 2, of Austria's Federal Act on Development Cooperation" to submit their applications. The link to the English copy of Austria's Federal Act on Development Cooperation is included under section 6, footnote nr. 10 of the CfP invitation document. See: <u>https://www.oe-</u> eb.at/en/dam/jcr:82518ac8-d1e8-4e22-a407-5569a159bb5d/Development-Cooperation-Act.pdf

Therefore, only NGOs as per Section 3, Subsection 2, of Austria's Federal Act on Development Cooperation can be part of a consortium.

Question 6:

How many applications are awarded funding?

Answer Question 6:

Only one application will be selected for funding.

Question 7:

What would you regard as sufficient evidence to demonstrate the ability to cover the co-financing? Do we need to have the co-funding cash up-front throughout the project or can it be raised during the duration of the project?

Answer Question 7:

As stated on page 13 of the CfP invitation "...the Applicant must make a monetary contribution (contribution in cash) of at least 5% to the proposed total project budget. [...] The Applicant has to prove the availability of the contribution (bank statement, commitment for funding etc.) and indicate the third-party in case of a third-party contribution." Evidence to demonstrate the ability to cover the co-financing could be bank statements of your organization or committed third-party contributions such as donations or sponsorships. The co-funding cash should be available up-front and not be raised during the implementation period of the project.

Question 8:

One of the prospective partners would transition from a country office of an INGO to a national organisation during the grant period (if successful), meaning there could be a new implementing partner on the contract during the grant period. What are your rules around this?

Answer Question 8:

In case, one of the implementing partners changes its legal status both contractual parties (ADA and the applicant) or in the case of a consortium ADA and all consortium members would have to agree on the involvement of the new partner with its new legal status.