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Call for Proposals on Ending Violence Against Women, Women Economic Empowerment, Leadership and participation in decision making

Clarifications Questions and Answers (as of 28 December 2017)

Question 1. *We would like to know if a social fund or NGO from a foreign country is eligible to submit a call for proposal or only Moldovan organizations are eligible to apply?*

Answer: With respect to the eligibility, the Calls for Proposals are open for any legally registered Non-Governmental Organization, Community Based Organizations (CBOs) and Academic Organizations that have significant knowledge of and know the situation landscape of the Ending Violence Against Women, Women Economic Empowerment, Leadership and participation in decision making subjects in the Republic of Moldova and are ready to provide services for Romanian speaking duty bearers and rights holders.

Question 2. *Can a for-profit consulting company be partner within the proposed project?*

Answer: The Calls for Proposals are open for legally registered Non-Governmental Organization, Community Based Organizations (CBOs) and Academic Organizations and only these entities can submit applications. There are no restrictions for them to establish further partnerships aiming at delivering the proposed activities.

Question 3. *How can the contribution for the partner institutions/organizations involved into the project implementation be stipulated into the budget?*

Answer: The contributions should follow the established table specified in the annex B1-4 that builds on the implementation plan from Technical Proposal from Annex B1-3, therefore the contributions will be split between activity or budget lines of the tables.

Question 4. *As it was mentioned in the par. 11.2.1 related to the evaluation of financial proposal "The proponent with the lowest evaluated cost will be awarded 30 points. Other financial proposals will receive prorated points based on the relationship of the proponents' prices to that of the lowest evaluated cost". Meanwhile, according to the same ToT, "The proposals are expected to cover a period of minimum 1 year/12 months to maximum 2 years/24 months, with a minimum budget of 50,000 USD." In this case, the proponent who suggests 50000 USD are evaluated with 30 points?*

Answer: The minimum budget is 50000 USD but it does not imply that this budget offers the lowest cost per activity to be implemented.

Question 5. *Are sub-granting activities allowed (ex: offer sub-grants to women eager to develop their economic activities)?*

Answer: The sub-grant activities can be part of the proposal if the proponent provided sufficient arguments and demonstrate (a) why and how these grants will contribute to the attainment of the output or outputs and (b) that there are rigorous grants implementation procedures in place (announcement, selection criteria, monitoring and evaluation).

Question 6. *What are the allowed costs under the budget lines: incidentals, other costs, other support requested?*

Answer: It is up to the potential party to identify and include costs under incidentals and other costs that does not fit into the lines 1-4, 7, 8 of the budget under the Annex B1-4.

Question 7. *Could you provide the list of eligible and non-eligible costs? Are, for example, the infrastructure costs eligible in this case?*

Answer: The Calls for Proposals are dealing with the soft components of services and have been placed under the *Services; Public Admin., Politics & Social Services* category within the Tenders pages of the UN Moldova site, therefore infrastructure costs are not eligible.