

Q&A- ACT Pre-Proposal Conference

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Q) Questions on eligibility of national/local organizations:

1. *Please guide if my organization in Pakistan is eligible for this opportunity as we are working on Child Protection / Child Rights Governance? or if the Regional Office or Global Office of my organization can directly apply for it.*
2. *Can the national NGO apply together with the international NGOs?*
3. *Can an organisation working only in one country + other global regions, but not having presence in Latin America apply?*
4. *My organization is a CSO from Nigeria basically responding in the Northeast with 4yrs experience in engaging traditional leaders in responding to VAWG. Are we eligible for the funding?*
5. *Please, is Nigeria among eligible countries for this opportunity?*
6. *Are NGOs in Afghanistan eligible for this opportunity?*
7. *Is Ethiopia eligible for this application?*
8. *Can a local organisation in Yemen get funds?*

A: As this call for proposal is for the set-up and hosting of a Global ACT CSO Platform, proposals must be global in scope (covering all regions globally). Applicants from country/national level feminist women's rights organizations or proposals focused on country/national level interventions or interventions in only one region are not eligible for this specific call for proposals

Applicants must be a global feminist women's rights organization or a consortium of global and regional feminist women's rights organizations.

Please also note that international non-governmental organizations, whose core mandates is not on advancing gender equality and women's rights are not eligible, because the ACT Programme seeks to strengthen feminist women's rights organizations.

Q) What is the timeline for this CfP?

A. Proponents were informed of the original proposal submission deadline during the pre-proposal conference call.

However, the application deadline has now been extended. The new application submission deadline is the 9th of September, 2024, 23:59 pm New York Time.

Q) Can organisations that are already co-funded by the European Commission still apply for this CfP?

A. Yes, they can.

Q) How many grantees will be selected for this fund?

A. Depending on the proposals received UN Women will, identify either:

- One responsible party for both action areas which could either be a global feminist women's rights organization or a consortium of global and regional feminist women's rights organizations that will be responsible for both of the Action Areas outlined in the following section.
- Two responsible parties i.e one responsible party per action area. In this case it could either be two global feminist women's rights organizations (one organization per action area) or consortia of feminist women's rights organizations that will each be responsible for a specific Action Area of the ACT Global Civil Society Platform.

Q) What are the differences between Action area 1 and Action Area 2?

A. Action Area 1 is focused on strengthening coalition building, networking, leadership and resilience of global and regional feminist women's rights movements.

The maximum budget for this area is \$300,000 USD.

This Action Area involves working with UN Women to ensure the set-up and co-hosting of the ACT Global CSO Platform on EAW, convening women's and civil society rights organizations to create space for solidarity, organizing and strategizing including through cross-sectoral and intersectional alliances. The ACT Global Platform on EAW will be convened as a virtual network. The responsible party should work with UN Women to identify the best possible platform/tools for engagement with the ACT Global CSO platform members.

Action Area 2 focuses on strengthening advocacy and campaigning to influence policymaking on EAW

The maximum budget for this area is 550,000 USD.

This Action Area is focused on the development and implementation of a shared advocacy agenda to increase momentum on ending violence against women and girls and amplify the advocacy priorities of women's rights movements in global advocacy spaces. The organization/consortia will work with UN Women and the ACT CSO Platform to coordinate and implement EAWG advocacy and communications strategies.

For further details on the two action areas please see pages 6-9 of the terms of reference in the call for proposals.

Q) In what language should the application be sent?

A. The application and supporting documentation should be sent in English.

Q) Can consortia submit applications for both the ACT Global CSO platform opportunity and also for the other opportunity to develop a new global Violence Against Women Index?

A. Yes, they can.

Q) Can one organisation apply two times? One as part of consortium and one as an individual organisation?

A. Organizations can apply both individually and as part of a consortium as long as they are not the lead partner in the consortium.