

**Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities (CSO/LA) -
Actions in partner countries
AND
The European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) -
Country Based Support Scheme (CBSS - Somalia)**

Call for Proposals EuropeAid/137021/DD/ACT/SO

Questions and Answers

QUESTION	ANSWER
<p>1. Following the Call for Proposal to "CSO/LA" thematic budget line: (BL No. 21.02.08.03) in Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities (CSO/LA) - Actions in partner Somalia and "EIDHR" thematic budget line: (BL No. 19.04.01). Therefore it is potential to apply the CSOs/LNGOs based in Somalia or only international humanitarian Organization (INGOs) are applicable to apply for this call for Proposal. Looking forward your positive response regarding the call for proposal.</p>	<p>Yes, CSOs/LNGOs based in Somalia can apply while the INGOs are not eligible for both lots.</p> <p>Please see Article 2.1.1 on page 10 and 11 of the Guidelines for grant applicants.</p>
<p>2. I want to mention missing section in the guidelines. I want to ensure that section d under Lot 1 is to be funded under this grant. On pages 14 and 15 under types of action and types of activities respectively point d) Civil Society's engagement in policy and budget development and implementation: improved demand on accountability is missing. Please inform us what kind of actions and activities can we address under this point.</p>	<p>Sorry, this point is not foreseen. It is upto you to develop your proposal.</p>
<p>3. I am reaching out in regards to the call for proposals for the thematic programme Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities and European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights Country Based Support Scheme for Somalia. I would like to seek confirmation if the bidders' conference scheduled for June 2 at 10 am will be held at the Delegation of the European Union to Somalia, Union Hill Insurance House, Ragati Road, Upper Hill. I appreciate your prompt response to this question.</p>	<p>The Information Session will be held on 02 June 2015 at 10.00am at FAO Somalia off Lower Kabete road in Westlands. For directions please see the Press Release posted in the EuropeAid website.</p>

4.	<p>It our sincere request to ask if a Somali Local NGO being internationally recognized and endowed with capacity to implement the programme in regards to requirements of the contractor can apply directly as an APPLICANT. We have extensively gone through the guidelines for applicants and are in the process of designing innovative concept paper for the same. Your clarifications will help us and we also look forward to participating in the information meeting scheduled for 2/6/2015. We look forward to your reply at the earliest opportunity you get.</p>	<p>Yes, as soon as they respect the eligibility criteria under Article 2.1.1 on page 10 and 11 of the Guidelines for grant applicants.</p>
5.	<p>A local non-profit agency that is registered in the Somali Interior Ministry of the Somali Federal Government in Mogadishu, Somalia with an office in Kismayo, Jubaland is interested to submit Concept Notes to EU Delegation to the Federal Republic of Somalia for the new Call of Proposals for Civil Society Organizations and Local Authorities (CSO/LA) – Actions in partner countries. Reference: EuropeAid/137021/DD/ACT/SO. However, I have several questions that I would like to get answered before we start writing this grant proposal:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Question: Are NGOs in Jubaland eligible to apply this grant? • Second Question: Can we partner this grant with Kenyan local agencies? • Third Question: Can EU Delegation for Somalia provide us with technical support when it comes to preparing this grant proposal? • Fourth Question: Can a local non-profit agency alone apply for this grant or do we need to have another local co-applicant from Jubaland? • Fifth Question: Is there a matching fund required to secure before we submit this grant proposal? if yes, how much? <p>Jubaland suffered from the Civil War and clan factional violence to a greater extent than other parts of Somalia because of its very diverse population. Therefore, this grant opportunity will be valuable at this time. We would like to have all information before we start the proposal. I look forward to hearing from you soon.</p>	<p>Yes, as soon as they respect the eligibility criteria under Article 2.1.1 on page 10 and 11 of the Guidelines for grant applicants.</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>No.</p> <p>Yes, a local non-profit agency can apply alone.</p> <p>Yes, please see Article 1.3 on page 8 and 9 of the Guidelines for grant applicants.</p>

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