

## INFO SHEET

# FMM II - DEMAND DRIVEN FACILITY (DDF)

## Technical Assistance for National Institutions Call for Application

### OVERVIEW

The FMM West Africa II project – funded by the European Union – aims to maximise the development potential of the free movement of persons and migration in West Africa by supporting the effective implementation of the ECOWAS Free Movement of Persons' Protocols and Policies. The 5-year project will support the ECOWAS Commission, ECOWAS Member States and Mauritania.

To address existing institutional gaps and migration capacity-building needs in ECOWAS Member States and Mauritania, the project established a flexible Demand Driven Facility (DDF) for national institutions implemented by the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD). The DDF provides direct technical assistance and support to government institutions in different migration related thematic areas, to address emerging trends and evolving priorities. The DDF allows national institutions to delve deeper into concrete actions and explore innovative approaches to addressing challenges. Following an agreement between ICMPD and the Government of Denmark, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Denmark provides additional financial support to the DDF.

### DDF SCOPE

ICMPD designed the DDF to provide technical assistance to national institutions to address migration governance issues as well as enhance organisational capacity of government institutions to implement their mandate in this area. The technical assistance will support capacity development of national and local-level government institutions with the knowledge, skills and tools needed to enhance migration governance in target countries while promoting the provisions of the ECOWAS Free Movement Protocol in West Africa.

Additionally, ICMPD will work closely with national institutions to ensure that gender and human rights are mainstreamed in the technical assistance offered.

### THEMATIC AREAS

- Border Management
- Trafficking in Persons (TIP) and Smuggling of Migrants
- Protection of the rights of migrants and refugees
- Labour Migration
- Gender and migration
- Migration and development
- Sustainable reintegration of returnees
- Migration Data collection and management
- Environment and Climate Change induced displacement
- Diaspora Engagement.

### WHO CAN APPLY

**Only government institutions in ECOWAS Member States and Mauritania** such as Ministries, Departments, Agencies, Commissions, Committees, Councils etc. at national/central and local levels can submit applications to the DDF.

Applicants may apply with a partner institution (central/local public institution or non-state actors (including academia, NGOs, media etc)).

The **lead applicant must be a government institution/administration** from an ECOWAS member state or Mauritania.

Applications will be reviewed by the DDF Technical Committee and applicants informed of the status of their application.

# TYPES OF INTERVENTION SUPPORTED

- Development of strategic and operational documents, such as policies, action plans, strategies, Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)
- Assessments, surveys and research
- Training
- Development of training materials: curricula, manuals, trainers' guide etc.
- Study visits, peer-to-peer exchanges
- Cross-border cooperation between two or more target countries

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Requests must be submitted by a **public institution** (central and/or local) in an ECOWAS Member State or Mauritania in line with the scope of the DDF.
- **Multi-country actions** involving two or more target countries can be submitted.
- Interventions **must align** with existing national, regional/ international frameworks.
- Interventions should be **participatory**, demonstrate innovation, and **promote knowledge transfer**.
- Interventions should demonstrate **relevance, impact and sustainability**.
- Interventions should be **gender sensitive** and promote fundamental **human rights** principles.
- Interventions involving provision of equipment must demonstrate a clear link between the requested equipment and the gap/need being addressed. Requests consisting of only the provision of equipment will not be approved.

- Border community engagement, social integration and community-based support
- Reception and referral of vulnerable migrants on the move (including victims of trafficking)
- Sensitisation, advocacy and awareness campaigns
- Monitoring and evaluation of national strategies and plans

## DURATION

DDF actions are short to mid-term targeted interventions. Actions can range from 6 - 18 months. **All actions must be concluded by 31 December 2028.**

## BUDGET

Actions funded under the DDF will be limited in size and range between EUR50,000 and EUR300,000 for a single-country request, and up to EUR500,000 for multi-country requests (involving two or more countries).

ICMPD manages the budget and direct financing of project activities.

*For more information on the DDF, eligible applicants are invited to send emails or visit our website:*

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