

## STREAMinG 2 - CALL FOR PROPOSALS

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## **CLARIFICATION NOTE N°1**

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**<u>Note 1</u>**: Most of the questions that have been received concerning this call for proposals can be answered by **carefully reading** the Guidelines for Grant Applicants (Guidelines).

**Note 2:** Please note that in the interest of equal treatment of applicants, the Contracting Authority does not give a prior opinion on the eligibility of a lead applicant, a co-applicant, an action or specific activities.

### **Eligibility of Applicants and Actions**

(Please refer to the Call for Proposals Guidelines, section "II. CALL FOR PROPOSALS" & "IV. ELIGIBILITY")

Question 1: Could you provide further details on the "Lead applicant"? Who qualifies as the Lead applicant, and does it have to be a non-governmental organization?

### Answer 1:

In order to be eligible for a grant, the Lead Applicant must:

- a) be a legal person, and
- b) be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action, with the coapplicants not acting as an intermediary.
- c) be a Non-Governmental Organisation,
- d) be established in Georgia in accordance with the legal requirements of the Government of Georgia

A consortium of organizations is recommended. Consortia consisting of a maximum of three (3) applicants, i.e., the Lead applicant plus a maximum of 2 co-applicants, are eligible.

### Question 2: Is it mandatory to have a co-applicant?

**Answer 2:** Forming a consortium is recommended, but having a co-applicant is not mandatory for applicants.





### Question 3: Are there any limits for co-financing?

**Answer 3:** Within the framework of this call for proposals, the Contracting Authority may finance up to 100% of the total eligible cost of an action. The co-financing is not a mandatory requirement under this Call for Proposals. However, the absence of co-financing shall be duly justified in the Application Form (i.e. Annex A). In the event of co-financing, the balance (i.e. the difference between the total costs of the action and the amount requested from the contracting authority) shall be financed from sources other than the European Union or ICMPD

Question 4: When selecting a location for the project, is there a preference for covering multiple municipalities across various regions, or is there a preference for focusing comprehensively on a single region? Additionally, are there any specific target regions or municipalities that have been defined?

**Answer 4:** The Guidelines do not explicitly state a preference for covering multiple municipalities or focusing on a single region. The same applies for specific target regions or municipalities.

Question 5: The project is targeting Georgians, yet you've indicated a positive view towards Diasporas. Hence, if we involve the Ukrainian diaspora as co-applicants and beneficiaries, does this mean it will be considered eligible? Or is there a risk of the project being rejected because it is not only for Georgians?

**Answer 5:** In the Call for Proposals Guidelines, a diaspora organisation is defined as a community created in accordance with the legislation of the state of residence (Law of Georgia on <u>Compatriots Residing Abroad and Diaspora Organisations</u>). Diaspora organizations registered in one of the EU member states according to national legislation are eligible to participate as coapplicants. Actions will be implemented by a consortium of a maximum of three organizations jointly undertaking a project and Diaspora organizations are encouraged to participate as coapplicants in these actions. Furthermore, initiatives that promote close collaboration with local authorities, private sector organizations, and diaspora organizations, along with cooperation projects and capacity-building activities are particularly encouraged.

Question 6: I would like to ask whether any research on migration conditions in Georgia was conducted before the STREAMing project started. If yes, could you please tell us shortly about main challenges identified. Where can we see it?

**Answer 6:** The STREAMinG project design references key documents on migration in Georgia, including the Migration Strategy of Georgia 2021-2030 and its action plans, Migration Profile of Georgia, and the EU Commission reports.

Question 7: Do recovery and economic assistance activities for Ukrainian refugees fall within the scope of this call for proposals?

**Answer 7:** The guidelines primarily focus on Georgian migrants, while not excluding the possibility of Ukrainian refugees as potential beneficiaries of the initiative.





#### Question 8: Are refugees from Ukraine and Belarus considered potential beneficiaries?

**Answer 8:** The guidelines primarily focus on Georgian migrants but do not exclude refugees from Ukraine and Belarus as potential beneficiaries.

# Question 9: Are sports and high culture activities recognized as forms of psychosocial rehabilitation?

**Answer 9:** The Call for Proposals Guidelines do not explicitly mention sports and high culture activities. Their eligibility hinges on how they are defined and incorporated into the objectives and activities of the proposal. Determination of their eligibility will be contingent upon their alignment with the specified eligible activities and the goals of the project.

Please refer to section IV, 'Eligibility' of the Guidelines to see the list of eligible activities for this call for proposals.

### **Eligibility of Costs**

(Please refer to the Call for Proposals Guidelines, section "IV. ELIGIBILITY, Eligibility of costs" for the list of eligible and ineligible costs.)

Question 10: Are small grants & sub-grants eligible under this call for proposals?

Question 11: Will small grants/support of initiative of migrants be allowed, or they are seen as the third party?

**Answer 10-11:** Please note that financial support to third parties are ineligible costs and subgrants cannot be awarded under this call for proposals.

### Question 12: Is purchasing small items, such as work equipment for the refugees eligible?

**Answer 12:** Purchase costs for equipment, other than vehicles, and supplies (new or used) specifically for the purpose of the Action, provided that ownership is transferred at the end of the Action when required are eligible under the call for proposals.

#### How to register and apply

(Please refer to the Call for Proposals Guidelines, section "V. HOW TO APPLY AND PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW")

Question 13: If we are already registered to the application platform, should we re-register?

**Answer 13:** If you have an existing account, there is no need for re-registration. Upon log in, please navigate the call and click on the "Express Interest" button.

For detailed information please check "How to register and Apply Guideline":

English Guidelines:

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