



R4CR - Frequently Asked Questions

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Can a CSO, who is also a member of a larger umbrella organization, apply twice for funding during one application round?

The PIU clearly prefers multiple organizations active in the same topic area, to submit a joint proposal. However, individual organizations are free to submit their own proposal. It is however not allowed to submit more than one proposal per application round, even if an organization participates as partner organization in a joint proposal.

Can I submit more than one project per round?

No, you cannot submit more than one project proposal per application round. In case an organization submits more than one proposal during one application round, all proposals submitted by the organization will be considered ineligible.

Can I apply for funding in more than one round?

Yes, you can. During the implementation of the R4CR program, between July 2020 and June 2024, a maximum of 7 application rounds are foreseen, provided that the financial resources have not been exhausted. In theory this means that every CSO has the possibility to submit 7 times a project proposal.

Can I apply for getting funds to cover lost income due to COVID-19? E.g. compensation for lack of contributions, payment of rent or taxes?

No, this is not possible.

We have an organization (e.g. PTA, club), but we are not yet registered as an official foundation or association. Are we eligible for a grant in this project?

No, you are not eligible. In case you manage to officially register your organization, you could eventually apply during one of the future application rounds.

My organization is not a Foundation. Can I still participate?

You can participate when your organization is a Foundation or Association. Sole proprietorship, BVs or NVs cannot participate. For them, an alternative could be the Enterprise Support Program under the NRPB Trust Fund.

What does the request for clarification mean?

The request for clarification means that following the information sessions, which are organized at the start of a new application round, CSOs will have the possibility to submit relevant project

related questions to the R4CR-PIU. The PIU will formulate answers to these questions and put these on the R4CR website which makes the information accessible to organizations who are interested in the R4CR program. In this way an optimal form of transparency is guaranteed.

If our project proposal was rejected in a previous round, can we still apply for a future round?

In principle yes although there is always a reason for rejection. Every applicant that submits a project proposal under one of the R4CR application rounds will receive, after the evaluation is completed, a personalized letter in which it is explained why a project proposal is awarded or rejected. If rejected, the reason(s) for rejection is/are explained. Clearly, the applicant is free to submit the proposal again during one of the future rounds, provided that it will take into account the comments made in the letter and submit an improved proposal. The CSO may also consider to submit a completely different proposal.

Can project proposals be shared with other organizations and/or persons?

The R4CR-PIU guarantees full confidentiality of every project application submitted. This means that no single project application will be shared with third parties, being fellow foundations or associations, without having consulted the party that has submitted the application. However, the R4CR-PIU is promoting collaboration among CSOs and as such may share ideas with the sole purpose of combining efforts.

What is the maximum amount that can be requested in round 3?

The maximum amount a single organization can demand during application round 3 is US\$ 90,000. If two or more CSOs collaborate and submit a joint proposal, the maximum total project amount is US\$ 120,000. The maximum implementation period under application round 3 is set for 12 calendar months. However, organizations that prefer to submit a proposal with a limited budget (< US\$ 90,000) and a limited implementation period (< 12 calendar months) are eligible to do so as long as the project realistically can be implemented within the given time frame and with the requested budget.

Do I have to include pro-forma quotes together with my financial proposal (budget)?

At this stage of the process, your organization does not have to submit pro-forma notes or quotations. This will only become relevant once your project is awarded and implementation started.

Why does the budget have pre-calculated percentages for the auditor, contingency and administration?

The 4% allocation to auditing is fixed and based on experiences from R4CR round 1 and round 2. The 5% contingency costs is an extra built-in mechanism to respond to unexpected developments happening during project implementation. The CSO will have to communicate such unexpected events and officially request for using the 5% contingency allocation. The 7% administrative cost category relates to overhead expenditures made by the CSO during project implementation for which no official receipts are required.

Can you clarify the following?

1) The nature of the audit requested

Under the R4CR program, a special audit assignment is applicable, the ISA 800, 'Special Considerations', audits of financial overview prepared in accordance with special purpose frameworks, which will give assurance of the financial overview of a specific project. This variant, also known as the compilation, is less costly in comparison to a full organizational audit or a review of the entire financial administration.

2) Qualifications of the auditor

Audits should be implemented by a registered and certified auditor in accordance with international audit standards.

3) Scope of the Audit

The audit will focus on only those transactions which have been made under the R4CR project. It is a standard requirement of each project under R4CR.

4) Timing of the Audit

The audit will be performed immediately after completion of the R4CR project. The final audit report must be submitted to the R4CR-PIU latest 6 weeks after completion of the R4CR project.

What is the time planning for round 4?

There is no planning set in stone, but the expectation is that the information sessions for round 4 will be held in May/June 2022 with the actual start of this new project round in August/September 2022.