

Frequently asked questions and answers:

Promoting sustainable technologies and marketing strategies to increase incomes and reduce food losses in small fish systems

Responses to questions posed by potential applicants to this Call for Proposals

Questions	Answers
Should proposals cover all of the targeted countries or can proposals cover one or two of the targeted countries?	The proposals under this call should cover all the targeted countries mentioned as explained in Terms of Reference.(Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania)
Are international private companies eligible for the call?	The call is open to private sector companies.
Are we limited to the countries identified on the website call (Tanzania, Uganda and Kenya)?	The choice of the targeted countries is linked to IFAD investment in those countries or potential for developing new investment projects in the fisheries sector, therefore the list of countries cannot be modified.
What amount can be from in-kind contributions? And do you have a list of items that contribute towards in-kind...volunteer time, rental space etc.?	It is up to your organization to determine the amount, however note that preference will be given to cash contribution. In kind contribution can be part of salaries of staff, volunteer time, equipment which is made available for the projects (cars, laptop, etc.) etc.
What is the minimum cash contribution required? If volunteer time can contribute to the in-kind share, how do you value volunteer days?	Your organization is free to decide whatever contribution you are able to provide: it could be all in kind, or a part in kind or a part in cash, or all in cash. Of course we will apply different scoring to different typology of contributions since we have set as best option 25% cash contribution to IFAD funding (i.e. USD 500,000)
Are there conditions / requirements for this co- funding? For instance : can on-going project activities be counted as co-funding and if so, under what conditions?	The only condition is that co-funding is allocated only for the proposed grant project activities and spending is demonstrated and certified by auditors.

<p>Is Kenya included in the project?</p>	<p>IFAD is already heavily engaged in Kenya's aquaculture sector, therefore this grant would primarily focus on Tanzania and Uganda, where IFAD is less involved. However, applicants have the option to include Kenya in their proposal and budget for some of the activities to have a complete coverage of the lake. Additionally, the project can establish linkages with the Aquaculture Business Development Project funded by IFAD in Kenya.</p>
<p>Can some documents be e-mailed earlier and some documents later?</p>	<p>All documents should be e-mailed together as a package with the Design Document Template. In case you discover that you erroneously left out a document, you can re-submit the full package as long as it is before the submission deadline. In this case, please clarify that you are re-submitting your full applications and that we delete the earlier application. No document will be accepted after the submission deadline.</p>
<p>Is the Grant Agreement Form to be filled before closing date when funding has not been approved?</p>	<p>Applicants are not required to fill the Grant Application Form at this stage. The form has been included just for information and normally will be filled and signed only between the successful Grant Recipient and IFAD.</p>
<p>Can an application submitted before the deadline be updated?</p>	<p>Applicants can update their application submitted before the deadline. However, in each case all the documents must be resubmitted together as a package even if only one document has been updated, and in any case, must be submitted before the deadline. When resubmitting to update an earlier package please clearly state that you are resubmitting, in which case the entire package submitted earlier will be deleted and replaced with the resubmitted package.</p>
<p>Should the costs of IFAD's supervision of project be included in the project budget?</p>	<p>No, IFAD uses a different budget line to carry out supervision of projects. Supervision costs should not be included in the grant project budget.</p>
<p>The proposal mentions only solar technologies for intervention under this project, can other sustainable technologies be included?</p>	<p>Yes, IFAD encourages innovations and will accept any other sustainable technology solutions that can address the problems identified under this</p>

	<p>project. Please note that innovations are highly encouraged and there is a specific section to present such innovations in the project template, and as mentioned in the evaluation criteria, there will be additional points for well demonstrated innovations that add value to the project results.</p>
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