Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs): UNVTF Global Call for Proposals (Cycle 9.1)

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1. Eligibility of Applicants

Q: Are public universities or private sector entities eligible to apply for the grant?
A: As specified in the guidelines, only applicants registered as non-profit entities (e.g., NGOs or CSOs) are eligible for the grant. Public universities may be considered as not-for-profit entities if they provide sufficient proof of their non-profit status.

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2. Submission Language Options

Q: Are application documents available in languages other than English? Can submissions be made in other languages?
A: The application forms can only be provided in English. However, the completed application forms (Annex A – Project Proposal along with the workplan, and Annex B – Project Budget) can be submitted in any of the following languages: English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese, or Russian.

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3. Registration Requirement

Q: Is the registration deadline of December 1, 2022, flexible? Can organizations registered shortly after this date still apply?
A: No, the rule is strict. The organization must be registered as a non-profit entity under the relevant laws of the country where it is registered and, in the country, where it will be implementing the proposed project by December 1, 2022, without exceptions. The registration must clearly indicate the non-profit status of the applicant and provide evidence of legal credentials. If the registration certificate is not in English, an English translation must be submitted.

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4. Audited Financial Reports

Q: What if an organization does not have audited financial reports? Are they still eligible to apply?
A: We can accept financial statements signed (and stamped) by the representative(s) of the organization.

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5. UN Partner Portal (UNPP) Registration

Q: What should organizations do if they encounter technical issues registering on the UN Partner Portal?
A: To address UNPP registration issues:

- Use Chrome as your browser and ensure you clear the cache on your computer.

- If the issue persists, contact UNPP technical support via the "Ask Rafiki" function. Once submitted, you should receive a confirmation email with a request number.

6. Annex A: Project Proposal Technical Issue

Q: How should applicants handle issues with the format of Annex A – Project Proposal, such as being unable to select a project duration under 18 months?
A: We are aware of the issue with Annex A. Please indicate the number of months the project is expected to take place by writing it in the line above or below the restricted field. Kindly remember that the CfP guidelines specifying a maximum project implementation period of 9 months is correct.