

**2026: Call for Proposals in Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ghana, Morocco, Senegal, Tunisia**  
**Answers to Applicants' Questions - Concept Note (Stage 1)**  
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No.	Questions in English	Answers in English
<b>Section: Categorisation / Catégorisation</b>		
1	Could social service-sector (Social Workers) that include certain health-related competencies—such as care aides in retirement homes, patient recovery support, physical rehabilitation, nutritional hygiene, and mental-health assistance—be considered eligible under Component 2?	With the exception of Egypt, so far all professions with health-medical related competencies are not eligible. This includes professionals who interact directly with patients to diagnose, treat, and manage illnesses (e.g. physicians, nurses, dentists, pharmacists) and professionals providing specialized diagnostic, technical, and therapeutic services (e.g. therapists, radiologic / surgical / medical technicians, paramedics emergency medical technicians, nutritional and mental health specialists etc.). please frequently check IFE's website as any update will be reflected accordingly in the download center during the Call for Proposal.
<b>Section: Eligibility / Eligibilité</b>		
2	Are UN agencies eligible to apply for Category 1 projects?	Yes, UN agencies can apply in principle for any category depending on the nature of the proposed project. However, please note that the agency/entity must be registered in the country of the Call for Proposals when applying as an individual applicant, or if it has its own legal personality when participating as a member of a consortium. Kindly refer to the Guidelines for Applicants for further details.
<b>Section: General / Générale</b>		
3	Do all consortium partners need to submit a full set of documents, or is this required only from the Lead Applicant?	Every consortium member is required to submit the documentation substantiating their respective entity eligibility. Kindly refer to Annex 6.1 of the Guidelines for Applicants for the documentation requirement for the applicant eligibility.

4	Should the value of the in-kind contribution be equivalent to the cash contribution?	The value of the in-kind contribution must not exceed 85% of the total own contribution. Kindly note that the cash contribution must be at least 15% of the total own contribution and not less than EUR 100,000.
4	Can the consortium be structured as a public-private partnership?	Yes.
5	Can a District Assembly apply?	Yes, as long as they meet the general eligibility criteria.
<b>Section: KPI / ICP</b>		
6	What are the implications if the targeted number of new jobs is not achieved?	If the applicant provides false data, IFE reserves the right to recall the grant and consider this as a violation of contractual obligation. Employment figures will be assessed at both the concept-note stage and, if the applicant is shortlisted, during the due-diligence stage for the full project proposal.

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