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**Support Fund for Feminist Organizations (FSOF)**

**Call for projects**

**MULTI-COUNTRY**

Technology-facilitated gender-based violence

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**2025**

The French Development Agency (AFD) launches this call for proposals to fund civil society organizations (CSOs) for the implementation of a financing mechanism, for strengthening and structuring feminist organizations in partner countries of France’s international development and solidarity policy, whose activity has gender equality as its main objective in the said countries in which AFD is mandated to intervene. Bringing funding to feminist civil society organizations is the common thread of this mechanism.

**In this regard, AFD has a grants with a budget of 4 million euros**. The call for projects aims to select a consortium of French and/or international and/or national CSOs from partner countries that will manage all the funding (€4M) aimed at feminist organizations in partner countries of France’s international development and solidarity policy and AFD’s intervention. The duration of the project will be 3 to 4 years, with the possibility of financing feminist civil society organisations for variable periods, depending on the projects, within the overall project framework.

The selection is made on the basis of a project note (see model – Section III) accompanied by a financial framework, a logical framework, a timetable, a table of the financial breakdown within the consortium, an administrative file and information sheets (Section IV to XI**) to be submitted no later than August 31, 2025 at 08:00**, Paris time, via the online submission form on the page dedicated to the call for projects on the AFD website.

The selected CSO consortium will be invited to continue the appraisal phase, in close contact with the AFD Project team leaders, and submit a finalized project note after these exchanges. The final and complete proposal must incorporate any elements resulting from a dialogue with the designated AFD Project team leaders and enable them to submit the project to the AFD funding approval bodies.

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| **The full information on the call for projects "technology-facilitated Gender-based violence" as well as the call for projects to download are available on the dedicated page of AFD’s website:**  **The call for projects file is downloadable starting from 06/18/2025** |

The call for projects is also present on the AFD website, on the page dedicated to calls for projects (<https://www.afd.fr/fr/appels-projets>[)](https://www.afd.fr/fr/fonds-de-soutien-aux-organisations-feministes-fsof) and the AFD page of the FSOF (https://www.afd.fr/fr/jurisprudence.

**For any additional information, applicants must send their questions at the latest by Friday, July 11, 2025 at 8am Paris time, only using the** **contact form on the page dedicated to the call for projects on the AFD website** **("CONTACT" tab).  All the answers to the questions will be published on the "FAQ" (Frequently Asked Questions) tab, at the latest within 5 working days.**

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1. GENERAL FRAMEWORK DEFINED BY AFD

Article 1. General terms and conditions

**1.1** The call for proposals "*Technology-facilitated* *Gender Based Violence "* (TFGBV) ("the Call") aims to finance an intermediated fund supported by **a consortium of French and/or international and/or national CSOs from partner countries:**

* Meeting the definition specified in the [FSOF’s Strategic and Accountability Framework](https://www.afd.fr/sites/afd/files/2022-01-04-10-36/fonds-soutien-organisations-feministes-fsof-cadre-strategique-redevabilite.pdf), namely: “*feminist civil society organizations in all their diversity, formally constituted or not, which aim to act in favor of gender equality and sustainably transform social relations based on gender, and particularly those whose main mission is the defense and promotion of effective rights and empowerment of women and girls” ;*
* Having expertise and/or experience on the issue of TFGBV;
* With experience in running transformational gender-based mechanisms, in terms of a rights-based approach, using an inclusive approach that takes into account the causes for multidimensional inequalities;
* Having prior experience of partnering with feminist civil society organizations, networking and funding their activities;
* Having the capacity to deploy communication channels with local and community CSOs in various contexts;
* With skills in community and CSO capacity building, as well as in identifying good practices;
* With previous experience in operational research / capitalization (intellectual production, south-south knowledge sharing) / in advocacy, influence and political action;
* With in-depth knowledge of the ecosystems of the proposed intervention countries;
* With proven administrative and financial management capabilities in multiple and varied geographical areas;
* Having operational capabilities / management of multi-stakeholder projects, including in remote intervention areas.

This call is open to local, national and international non-profit, civil society organizations (CSOs).

The selection committee will pay particular attention to the place and role of local feminist CSOs within the consortium, which will constitute an evaluation criterion.

The members of the consortium will have to submit a modus operandi that will allow France to honor its international commitments in terms of aid localization, and demonstrate this in their project proposals and budget.

Any contract between the consortium and implementing structures in beneficiary countries outside the consortium will be considered as a service provision and will be subject to [AFD’s Procurement Guidelines for foreign states](https://www.afd.fr/fr/ressources/directives-pour-la-passation-des-marches-finances-par-lafd-dans-les-etats-etrangers). In the interest of efficiency in project management, bidders are nevertheless invited not to resort to implementation services. The collaboration mechanisms must be clearly detailed in project proposals and the procurement procedures applied will be transmitted to AFD during appraisal.

**1.2** The objective of the grant is to fund committed feminist civil society organisations from partner countries (hereafter referred to as "CSO recipients of the funds" or "local feminist CSOs") of France’s development and international solidarity policy and their actions to prevent and combat technology facilitated gender-based violence.

**1.3** This Call is intended to finance, with a grant of €4 million, an operational project of the FSOF intermediated funds type (see ToRs in section XII).

**1.4** The project must be carried out in partner countries of French international development and solidarity policy in the African and Near and Middle East regions where AFD has a mandate to intervene, excluding emerging economies (South Africa).

**The consortium must cover a minimum of four countries, including 3 so-called 'most vulnerable'** countries as defined by **the French Presidential Council for International Partnerships of April 2025:** [[1]](#footnote-2)are considered as the most vulnerable countries "least developed countries and those particularly vulnerable to climate change or in situations of great financial fragility, using notably the UN multidimensional vulnerability index (MVI)." However, there is no formal list of 'most vulnerable' countries at this time, so it will be necessary to define and justify the vulnerability of the countries covered in the proposal.

**These countries must belong to the Africa, Near and Middle East regions, as defined by AFD’s Regional Directorates ("RD"), according to the list of eligible countries below:**

* **Africa:**
* RD North Africa (Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt)
* RD Central Africa (DRC, Congo, Gabon, Cameroon, Sao-Tome and Principe and Equatorial Guinea)
* RD East Africa (Ethiopia, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya, Djibouti, Eritrea, Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan)
* RD Southern Africa (Mozambique, Angola, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia, Zambia, Zimbabwe)
* RD Gulf of Guinea (Benin, Togo, Guinea, Nigeria, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone)
* RD Grand Sahel (Cape Verde, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, Senegal and Chad)
* **Orients:**
* RD Near and Middle East (Palestinian Territories, Jordan, Iraq, Lebanon)

The consortium is expected to justify the geographical and strategic coherence in the choice of countries and regions. The proposed geographical scope of the project must be duly justified, and will constitute an evaluation criterion.

The consortium will provide a proposal detailing the mechanism for selecting and funding the recipients of the funds in each country, but also the partnership approach envisaged and the roles and responsibilities of each member of the consortium.

It is expected as part of the proposal that the consortium identifies a coordination mechanism (i) between the targeted countries and (ii) between geographical areas (if the proposed project covers two or three regions) ; a dynamic of exchanges of practices between countries as well as between geographical areas will be promoted. The lead CSO of the consortium will in particular have to provide means to travel, during the project, at least once in each of the countries of the project.

Article 2. Procedure

**2.1** As part of the Call, AFD will cover the financing of expenses necessary for carrying out a project designed and defined by an organization and its partners for a maximum duration of 3 to 4 years.

**2.2** No co-funding is requested under this call for proposals.

**2.3** The consortium is encouraged, to the extent possible, to develop its proposal in consultation with national stakeholders from the countries concerned by the Call.

**2.4** The Call cannot (i) finance expenses not directly related to the project, (ii) finance, for the same structure, services already planned in other projects financed by AFD, (iii) finance services already planned on other financing than those of AFD.

**2.5 The amount of direct subsidies paid to recipient feminist CSOs for their organizations or projects must reach at least 50% of the total project amount.**

**2.6** Administrative and structure costs may not exceed 12% of the project amount, including head office staff costs.

**2.7** The remaining amount of funding will be used to finance capacity building, exchange of practices and networking activities, project-specific human resources, operational functioning of the consortium, possible technological solutions for the benefit of CSOs, studies (cf. budget model and budget explanatory note attached).

Article 3. Presentation of projects

**3.1** The selection is made on the basis of a project note (see template in section III) accompanied by a financial outline (see section IV), an administrative file and information sheets (sections VIII and IX) **to be submitted no later than 31 August 2025 at 08:00**, Paris time.

**3.2** For the selected proposal, the consortium will then be invited to continue the appraisal, in close collaboration with the AFD Project team leaders, and will submit a final project note, validated by all parties. This final and complete proposal must incorporate any elements resulting from a dialogue with the designated AFD Project team leaders. On this basis, the project team leaders will submit the project to the AFD approval bodies.

Article 4. Audit, reporting, evaluation and capitalization

**4.1** Bidders shall include in their proposal the conduct of external audits. The selected consortium contracts with an audit firm, whose selection procedures and final selection will be subject to AFD’s no-objection opinion; the firm will carry out the necessary checks regarding the proper use of project funds, including those implemented by the CSOs receiving the funds. The audit contract is funded as part of the project. It is recommended that between 1 and 2% of the budget be dedicated to the audits.

**4.2** Bidders must, in addition, include in their proposal the procedures manual on local CSOs that will be funded to ensure that AFD funding will not be used for money laundering or terrorist activities (AML-FT procedures). These procedures may be internalized by the consortium, if the mechanism put in place by the consortium is deemed satisfactory by AFD, or outsourced.

**4.3** A final evaluation will be conducted and funded as part of the project. AFD has the right to conduct an external evaluation at any time of the project on its own funds.

**4.4** AFD encourages the development of a capitalization program and a communication program in order to contribute to the dissemination of good practices, as well as to good communication around the project, using, for example, semi-annual newsletters. Bidders are invited to take into account the high-level expectations and follow-up of the project and its achievements, which may result in a particular communication expectation, whose necessary means must be integrated into the offer. The communication system will take into account security issues and ensure that it does not endanger project partners and beneficiaries.

Article 5. Contract currency and payment currencies

**5.1** The organizations have to draft their proposal in euros, which is the currency of the financing agreement. The budget must be established including global and flat-rate, firm and not revisable.

Article 6. Knowledge of the places and conditions of the call for initiatives

**6.1** By the very fact of submitting their proposals, the organizations are deemed to:

* Have taken note of the conditions of the call for proposals described herein and accept them;
* Have the ability to lead a program whose specificities and issues are described in the Call;
* Have a perfect knowledge of the nature and scope of the actions to be carried out, local working conditions as well as all the constraints that these actions entail;
* Have taken note of the general conditions and all the documents to be completed and administrative items to be provided.

Article 7. Opening of proposals and selection committee

**7.1** The opening of bids will be carried out at AFD’s headquarters in Paris by a commission composed of the Education, Training and Employment (EDU) Project team leader as well as qualified internal staff.

**7.2** The selection of offers will be made by a selection committee, which will be composed of the Project Team Leaders of the Technical Divisions on Technology (MOB) and education (EDU), a representative of the division in charge of partnerships with Civil Society Organizations (MPN/OSC), a representative from the Social Link Division (CLS) and one representative of the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE/DGM/DAG/DFEM and MEAE/DGM/DCTCIV).

The scoring grid and the offers selected following the opening of the bids will be sent in advance to all the members of the commission.

**7.3** A selection report will be drawn up by the commission. It will include, for each project analysed, elements of assessment justifying the selection or not of the project and which can be communicated to the organizations.

Article 8. Clarification of the proposals

**8.1** In order to facilitate the review, evaluation and comparison of proposals, the selection committee may request clarification from the structures regarding their proposal.

Article 9. Determination of the conformity of proposals

**9.1** The lead organization of the consortium must demonstrate its ability to implement large-scale projects; the submitted project must not represent more than 70% of the annual resources over the last 3 certified exercises of the lead organization of the consortium. **The lead organisation of the consortium will therefore have to present an average annual budget equal to or greater than EUR 1.9 million for a project lasting 3 years and EUR 1.4 million for a project lasting 4 years.** This threshold does not apply to consortium members, only to the lead organization.

**9.2** The Commission may eliminate proposals emanating from organizations that clearly do not have the human and financial capacity to implement a project in the country concerned.

Article 10. Evaluation and ranking of proposals

**10.1** The proposals selection committee will evaluate and compare the proposals that have been deemed to comply with the planned provisions.

**10.2** The scoring of proposals at the selection stage will be based on 100 points according to the following scale:

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| **Criteria for the evaluation of proposals** | **Points out of 100** |
| **Initial diagnosis** | **10** |
| Knowledge, in the region/countries covered by the suggested geographical targeting for the project:  \* Challenges at the legal, political, social and technological levels in terms of preventing and combating TFGBV, using an inclusive approach that takes into account multidimensional inequalities;  \* The needs and ecosystem of feminist movements and organizations, particularly those working to combat GBV and/or TFGBV;  Knowledge of the environment in which organizations operate (legal recognition, national policies, constraints and difficulties including technological). |  |
| **Consortium / project team** | **20** |
| Organization of the consortium (leadership, coordination, management and internal governance, complementarity of the actors in the group, coherence of interventions, anteriority of the partnership, clarity of the sharing of roles, modalities of collaboration with all stakeholders, etc.)  Expertise and proven experience of the consortium in the different fields concerned by the call for projects:  \* Expertise / experience in managing intermediated funds;  \* Expertise related to the prevention and fight against GBVTP;  \* Expertise on in-depth strategies for the inclusion of gender minorities / intersectional approach;  \* Experience on CSO capacity building including feminist CSOs, expertise on community communication and social change approaches;  \* Experience and competence in capitalization (intellectual production and organization of seminars for knowledge sharing);  \* Detailed knowledge of the ecosystems of the suggested countries and regions of intervention;  \* Digital skills or ability to identify relevant providers, for the deployment of user training, advocacy and/or solution development.  Complementarity between the respective expertise of the different consortium organizations.  Presentation of the interventions of the lead CSO and its partners in the countries of intervention, and their complementarity with the project.  Implementation of the consortium in the targeted countries and ability to deploy in other localities / other countries of the regions targeted by the project.  Partnership dynamic established and previous experiences with feminist CSOs of the targeted countries, national authorities and with the various actors in the sector. |  |
| **CSO beneficiaries of the retrocessions** | **10** |
| Relevance of pre-identified national and regional feminist CSOs.  Knowledge of the diversity of actors and the civil society landscape in the intervention regions, by selecting those who will leverage effects on activities linked to the issue.  Involvement of local CSOs in the development, management and implementation of the project.  Role and effective place of vulnerable groups in partner feminist CSOs, in decision-making bodies, in project and fund governance.  Involvement of local communities in the project. |  |
| **Geographic coverage** | **10** |
| Relevance and consistency of the geographical coverage of the project in view of the needs and priority issues identified in the targeted areas.  Articulation of the project with those pre-existing and with the actors already active in the area.  Understanding of safety exposure issues (coming from the entourage, the community or third parties) by CSO members working on this subject and adapted device according to the contexts (policy/charter/code of conduct/technological tools existing or to be developed at the level of the consortium leader). |  |
| **Intervention logic** | **30** |
| Description of the global framework of the theory of change in order to contribute to lasting social change.  Clear presentation and relevance of the chosen approaches, intervention logic and objectives.  Detailed presentation of the activities and justification of their relevance in relation to the diagnosis and identified needs.  General planning of activities over the 3 or 4 years of the project.  Presentation of the methodology that will be applied to assess and manage the E&S risks associated with the projects that will be funded, particularly in terms of security risk for local CSO members.  Relevance of the proposal detailing the mechanism for selecting and funding local feminist CSOs from the countries of intervention.  Methodology of the global support process (in-depth evaluation phase, implementation of different activities, evaluation...) with details on the methodologies for supporting CSOs and local feminist movements, the strategies for the sustainability of the accompanied CSOs and the articulation with national authorities and international actors.  Experience and skills in capitalization (e.g., intellectual production and organization of seminars for knowledge sharing).  Relevance of the mechanism for exchanging practices between geographies of intervention, experience capitalization, research-action, advocacy and political influence-action.  Advocacy with the authorities and capacities to contribute to the dialogue on public policies and to the design and operationalization of public policies for preventing and combating TFGBV. |  |
| **Monitoring, evaluation, reporting and project communication** | **5** |
| Integration of a strengthened monitoring and evaluation system, in connection with quantitative and qualitative indicators.  Relevance of the communication system for project valorization. |  |
| **Budget / Implementation means** | **15** |
| Share of the budget for the direct benefit of feminist organizations and movements (at least 50%) – elimination criterion.  Share of the budget allocated to support and operating costs in relation to the total project budget (maximum 12 % of direct costs) – elimination criterion.  Relevance of the budget with regard to the countries of intervention and planned activities.  Relevance of the mechanism ensuring the proper execution of the funding allocated to funded projects.  Experience in managing projects of similar size for donors. |  |

Bidders are asked to provide in their offer a description of the responsibilities of the team members who will carry out the project within the consortium, as well as the distribution of roles among the consortium members, and the budget details for coordination activities.

The tenderers guarantee the qualifications and skills of the staff to be mobilised on the project as defined in their offer.

Article 11. Right recognized to AFD to reject any proposal

1. AFD has the right to reject any proposal, to cancel the call for proposals procedure as long as AFD has not awarded the grant(s), without, however, incurring any responsibility towards the organizations concerned and without having to inform them of the reasons why the call for proposals has been cancelled or their proposal rejected.

Article 12. Project APPRAISAL

1. After the selection of the project, the Project team leaders appraise it as part of a dialogue with the applicant. The consortium remains free to integrate suggestions or not, and AFD remains free not to pursue the proposal’s appraisal; the following elements may constitute, among others, a cause for non-validation of the final proposal:

* Refusal to participate in a dialogue with the AFD Project team leaders, aimed at enriching the proposal;
* Refusal to present the arguments explaining the non-integration of amendments suggested by the Project team leaders.

Article 13. Confidentiality

1. No information related to the review, clarification, evaluation, comparison of proposals and recommendations for award of grant(s) may be disclosed to the tenderers or any other person outside the review and evaluation procedure, after the opening of the envelopes and until the announcement of the award(s) to the selected organization(s).
2. Any attempt by a tenderer organization to influence the Commission in the course of the procedure for examining, evaluating and comparing proposals will lead to the rejection of that organization’s proposal.

Article 14. Information on the selection process

1. Each organization that has been selected by the selection committee will be informed by email, which sets the appraisal timeline that will serve as a support for the dialogue.

Article 15. Information on the granting and signature of the financing agreement

1. The Project Team Leader will send a letter to the organization selected to receive the grant informing it of the awarding of the grant, then the financing agreement draft for approval before signature.
2. PROCEDURES FOR THE SELECTION AND FINAL VALIDATION OF PROPOSALS

The process that leads to the funding agreement is carried out in two stages:

1. selection on the basis of a project note (section III) accompanied by a financial outline (section IV), a submission letter (section V), a logical framework (section VI), and a timetable (section VII) the data sheets of the holder and the structures of the consortium if applicable (sections VIII and IX), the table of financial flows within the consortium (section X), the project questionnaire (section XI) and the administrative file (section XII) **to be submitted no later than August 31, 2025, at 08:00 AM, Paris time (as per arrival date) on the page dedicated to the call for projects of the AFD website (tab "SUBMIT A PROJECT"). An automatic acknowledgement of receipt email will be sent to** the consortia when the proposal has been successfully received.

If the consortium has submitted its proposal on time without having received an acknowledgment of receipt email, it is its responsibility to notify the AFD no later than 12 hours after the closing time of the call for proposals and to provide proof that the proposal was indeed sent before the closing deadline.

If the files deposited on the AFD website exceed the maximum size of 9 Megabytes (MB) – weight per file, they must be shared via a file exchange platform.

1. Continuation of the dialogue with the AFD Project team, allowing to enrich the proposal and to submit a final project note, which will serve as a basis for the Project Team Leaders to submit the project to the AFD approval bodies.

**Selection of proposals**

Selection on the basis of a project note accompanied by an administrative file.

To submit their project, each lead organization will fill out the online application form, making sure to provide all the requested elements (tab "SUBMIT A PROJECT" on the page dedicated to the call for projects on the AFD website).

* its proposal in accordance with the project note template signed electronically by a person authorized to request funding for the structure;
* All the operational and administrative documents requested.

**The proposals will be written in French or English.** Nevertheless, if the initial proposal is written in English, **the consortium must agree to continue the appraisal process and contracting of the project in French only.**

**Elaboration and final validation of the proposals**

Upon receipt of the project selection notification and based on discussions with AFD, the consortium will review the elements of its proposal that merit clarification or adjustments in order to arrive at a final proposal, contained in a revised final project note, whose elements will be presented to the AFD approval bodies.

1. PROJECT PRESENTATION NOTE

**Due date for receipt of project notes: 31 August 2025 – 08:00 AM, Paris time (date of receipt serving as proof).**

**To be completed in Word format, Roboto Light 10 font, respecting the format below, and with a maximum of 20 pages for the body of the text, excluding annexes.**

***FSOF Call for projects 2025 Technology-facilitated gender-based violence***

1. Context
2. Presentation of the context and challenges of the project
3. Location of the project and relevance of the project in the region and targeted countries

*Explain the choice of intervention areas with regard to (i) the needs of organizations, public policies and level of equality in the targeted areas, (ii) national policies/strategies in the field concerned by the call for projects, (iii) the context in the targeted region and countries and the role that CSOs and authorities play there, (iv) the needs of populations, (v) interventions by other actors in the region, etc. Explain the coherence between the targeted countries.*

1. Presentation of the tenderers
2. Presentation of the tenderers

*Presentation of the consortium members (international, national, local), the contributions of each and their respective expertise, complementarity and partnership modalities, steering and governance, their financial situation (annual CA) and the distribution of the budget among them*

1. Experience of the organizations in the countries and the targeted region
2. Partnerships with local public actors (local authorities), national or regional organizations
3. General and specific project objectives
4. Intervention logic
5. Overall framework of the proposed theory of change
6. Project content
7. Presentation of the target organizations
8. Description of the components.

*A description of the project components is expected:*

*Provision of direct funding to CSOs from its design to its implementation*

*Methodology of the support process,*

*mechanism for the exchange of practices, networking, capitalization, operational research*

c) Stakeholders, operating procedures, governance, and fiduciary risk management

*Identify the Beneficiary (entity that will bear the legal and financial responsibility vis-à-vis AFD and ensure the coordination of the consortium) and the institutional/organizational, fiduciary and contractual scheme with the other members of the consortium, with the local CSO recipients who will benefit from the delegations of funds. A paragraph should be dedicated to the description of the governance mode of the consortium and the project.*

*A detailed and comprehensive description of the financial modus operandi between the lead CSO and the other consortium members should be set out here:*

* *Bank accounts: indicate on which the lead CSO account the funds will be deposited as well as the banks and their location of the consortium members' accounts*
* *Terms of disbursement at the level of other members of the consortium and at the level of CSO recipients if they are already identified or the methodology used to identify them)*

*This part must also explain the planned reporting modalities to AFD, within the consortium and with the CSOs receiving funds.*

*Framework for fiduciary risk: also indicate the contracting procedures and the internal and external control procedures (external audit).*

1. Sustainability of the project

*Technical sustainability (transfer of skills locally, equipment use and management, etc.), Social and institutional sustainability: strategy for the empowerment of partner(s), Economic and financial sustainability: strategy for the economic and financial viability of the project partner(s),*

*Institutional sustainability: strategy for capacity building of public actors, institutionalization of new standards and laws.*

1. Budget
2. Main elements of the budget

*Present a budget narrative transmitted in Excel format.*

1. Expected project achievements, results and impacts
2. Taking into account AFD’s cross-cutting approaches (Gender, Nature, etc.) and the project’s contribution to sustainable development goals:

*AFD evaluates the contribution of projects to sustainable development issues through an analysis that focuses, among other things, on "reducing gender inequalities", 'resilience to climate change, the preservation of biodiversity and the management of natural resources', 'sustainable growth and resilient economy', 'social welfare and the reduction of social imbalances', "the sustainability of the project and the governance framework."*

*This section will specify how the project will affect the relevant dimensions mentioned below (the project does not necessarily have to contribute to all the dimensions) and how it will not create negative effects in this regard.*

1. Expected results, impacts
2. Monitoring, evaluation and indicators

*Briefly present the project’s monitoring and evaluation system by specifying the actors involved and their role in the production, transmission or analysis of information. The system must include indicators of means, achievements, results and impact that provide information on the achievement of project objectives, as summarized in the logical framework.*

*Indicate the capacities to conduct a dialogue with local authorities, AFD headquarters and country offices.*

1. Risk assessment
2. Likely risks and planned means to address them

*Describe the risks to consider, whether contextual (political, economic, social, security and environmental framework, etc.) or operational (technical, financial, partnership-based, etc.), as well as the mitigation measures considered to address them. Particular attention will be paid to the understanding of safety exposure issues for local CSO members and existing or failing devices submitted by the Consortium depending on the contexts.*

1. Project timetable

*Indicate the duration, start date, end date and specify the different phases.*

1. FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK (DETAILED BUDGET)

Complete the entire Excel spreadsheet attached to the Call for Projects and sign it, based on the budget information notice attached to the application.

It should be noted that the budget will have to take into account the distribution of the management costs enveloped within the consortium.

1. THE SUBMISSION LETTER

**SUBMISSION of a PROJECT PROPOSAL**

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Mr. Director of the French Development Agency

Mr. Director,

I (us) the undersigned first name(s), surname(s) ........ acting in the capacity of ..... (function(s)) in the name and on behalf of .................... (business name and address of the tenderer or members of the group) , after having taken note of all the documents contained or mentioned in this call for proposal file and after having assessed from my (our) point of view and under my (our) responsibility the nature of this call for proposals,

Submit(s), bearing my (our) signature, the following project proposal with budget attached,

I submit (we submit) and commit (we jointly and in solidarity commit, the organization ................. acting as representative and pilot of the grouping) to carry out the project in accordance with the proposal formulated in our project and for the costs that I have established myself (we have established ourselves), which costs show the amount of funding requested in Euros at:

AMOUNT ALL TAXES AND DUTIES (TTT):.............................................(amount in figures and letters) Euros, under the economic conditions of the month of the deadline authorized for the submission of my (our) proposal, that is .................................

I recognize (we recognize) that AFD is not required to follow up on any of the proposals it receives.

I affirm, under penalty of automatic termination, that I do not fall (and that the organization or the grouping of organization for which I act does not fall) under legal prohibitions either in France or in the state (states) where my (our) organization is (are) based, either in the proposed country of intervention.

Done at....................., on .........................

Signature

*The signatory will attach the act delegating the powers to commit their organization. In the case of a temporary grouping of organizations, attach the constitutive act of the grouping and designating the pilot and representative.*

1. THE LOGICAL FRAMEWORK

Model example

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|  | **Intervention logic** | **Objectively verifiable and quantified indicators if possible** | **Sources and means of verification** |
| **Overall objective** | *What are the overall objective(s) to which the action will contribute?* | *What is the key indicator related to this or these global objective(s)?* | *What are the sources of information for this indicator?* |
| **Specific objective(s)**  **(and specific sub-objectives)** | *What specific objectives must the action achieve as a contribution to the global objective(s)?* | *Which indicators show in detail that the objectives of the action are achieved?* | *What sources of information exist and can be gathered? What are the methods to obtain this information?* |
| **Expected results** | *The results are the achievements that will allow the achievement of the specific objective. What are the expected results (number these results)?* | *What indicators allow to verify and measure that the action achieves the expected results?* | *What are the sources of information for these indicators?* |
| **Activities to be developed** | *What are the key activities to implement, and in what order, in order to produce the expected results? (Group the activities by results)* | *Means: What means are required to implement these activities, e.g. personnel, equipment, training, studies, supplies, operational facilities, etc.?* | *What are the sources of information on the progress of the action? Costs: What are the action’s costs? their nature? (Detail in the action’s budget)* |

1. Activity timetable (IN EXCEL, FREE TEMPLATE)

In Excel, free model (a standard model suggested for inspiration in the appendix).

1. THE INFORMATION SHEET RELATED TO THE PROJECT LEAD

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| **Full name of legal entity:** |  |
| **Acronym:** |  |
| **Mailing address:**  (to which all correspondence concerning this project should be sent) |  |
| **Location of the head office**: (if different from the mailing address) |  |
| **Phone:** |  |
| **Email address:** |  |
| **Website :** |  |

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| **Corporate purpose:** |  |
| **Area(s) of operation:** |  |
| **Sector(s) of intervention :** |  |
| **Existence of a strategic document validated at the GA[[2]](#footnote-3) :** |  |
| **Main financing and partnerships established between the structure and AFD over the last 3 years.** (specify the purpose, the amount of financing and the AFD department concerned) [*if applicable]* |  |
| **Main financing and partnerships established between the structure and the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs over the last 3 years.** (specify the purpose, the amount of funding and the department of the MAEDI concerned) [*if applicable]* |  |
| **Membership in collectives, networks, platforms :** |  |
| **Main publications of the structure :** |  |

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| **Contact person(s) for this project** | **Name** | **Phone** | **E-mail address** |
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| **Full name of the legal representative :** |  | | |
| **Name, first name and position of the person responsible for this application for co-financing[[3]](#footnote-4) :** |  | | |

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| **Creation date:** | |  | | | |
| **Legal status :** | |  | | | |
| **The references of the declaration to the Prefecture or other body adapted to the legal status of the structure:** | | | | | |
| N° |  | Date |  | Department |  |
| **The date of publication in the Official Journal or other register adapted to the legal status of the structure:** | |  | | | |
| **If applicable, the date of recognition of public utility:** | |  | | | |
| **If applicable, the date of approval by a ministry, which :** | |  | | | |

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| **Full name of the legal representative :** |  |
| **In the case of a CSO, Full name of the General Secretary :** |  |
| **In the case of a CSO, Full name of the treasurer :** |  |
| **Number of members of the Board of Directors or equivalent governance body[[4]](#footnote-5) :** |  |
| **Does it include an agent of the French Development Agency? :**  if yes, indicate his name and function |  |
| **Are any of its officers and members of its Board of Directors or equivalent governance body politically exposed persons[[5]](#footnote-6) ? :**  if yes, indicate his name and function |  |
| **Date of the General Assembly at which the member(s) of the current Board of Directors or its equivalent governance body and the Executive Committee were elected, in the case of a CSO:** |  |
| **Expiry date of the mandates of these members :** |  |
| **Estimated date of the next general meeting:** |  |

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| **Staffing at the structure's headquarters:** | Total (FTEs )[[6]](#footnote-7) | Full time | Part-time |
| Employee(s) |  |  |  |
| Volunteer(s) [if applicable] |  |  |  |
| Total |  |  |  |
| **Workforce abroad :** | Total (FTE) | Full time | Part-time |
| Expatriate employee(s) |  |  |  |
| Local employee(s) |  |  |  |
| Volunteer(s) [if applicable] |  |  |  |
| Volunteer(s) [if applicable] |  |  |  |
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**Breakdown of the structure's budgetary expenses over the last three years (for lead CSOs only)**

**Overall budget of the structure (all activities combined)**

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| **ORGANIZATION'S BUDGET *Please complete the last 3 years***  ***\*If you do not have the budget for the year N-1, please indicate the projected budget and specify it*** | **20..** | **20..** | **20..** |
| Total income (income statement) - in €) |  |  |  |
| What percentage of your global budget is dedicated to international solidarity activities in France and abroad (this may be an estimate) | % | % | % |

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| **NET INCOME (last 3 years)** | **20..** | **20..** | **20..** |
| Surplus / Deficit (-) |  |  |  |
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| **BALANCE SHEET (last 3 years certified)** | **20..** | **20..** | **20..** |
| Associative funds (equity and other associative funds) |  |  |  |

**date and signature**

**Presentation of the organization's overall financial resources over the last three years (for lead CSOs only)**

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| **Year** | **Total CSO revenue [[7]](#footnote-8)** | **Of which public resources**[[8]](#footnote-9) | | **of total revenue** | **Of which private resources[[9]](#footnote-10)** | | **of total revenue** |
| **2020** |  | **Total amount :** |  |  | **Total amount :** |  |  |
| Of which AFD : |  |  | Of which contributor(s) to more than 15% of the CSO's total budget[[10]](#footnote-11) :  - specify name and amount |  |  |
| Of which other central ministries : |  |  |
| **2021** |  | **Total amount :** |  |  | **Total amount :** |  |  |
| Of which AFD : |  |  | Of which contributor(s) to more than 15% of the CSO's total budget8 :  - specify name and amount  - specify name and amount |  |  |
| Of which other central ministries : |  |  |
| **2022** |  | **Total amount :** |  |  | **Total amount :** |  |  |
| Of which AFD : |  |  | Of which contributor(s) to more than 15% of the CSO's total budget8 :  - specify name and amount |  |  |

1. THE PARTNER INFORMATION SHEET

***To be completed for each partner involved in the project***

Specify the total number of partners involved in the project:

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| **Full name of the legal entity:** |  |
| **Acronym:** |  |
| **Postal address:** |  |
| **Location of the registered office: (**if different from the postal address) |  |
| **Phone:** |  |
| **Email address:** |  |
| **Website:** |  |

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| **Contact person(s) for this project:** |  |
| **Full name of the legal representative:** |  |

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| **Creation date:** |  |
| **Legal Status:**  (Attach to the technical file the registration certificate or equivalent, if the structure is informal specify it here.) |  |

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| **Number of members comprising the Board of Directors or equivalent governing body:** |  |
| **List of members of the Board of Directors or equivalent governance body:** |  |

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| **Corporate purpose:** |  |
| **Main areas of activity:** |  |
| **Human resources:** |  |
| **In the case of a CSO, total annual budget in euros:** |  |
| **In the case of a CSO, Main donors:** |  |
| **In the case of a CSO, Membership to networks, federations, collectives, etc.:** |  |
| **History and nature of cooperation with partner(s):** institutional and contractual links |  |
| **Role and involvement in the preparation of the submitted project:** |  |
| **Role and involvement in the implementation of the submitted project:** |  |
| **Experience of similar actions in relation to its role in the implementation of the submitted action:** |  |
| **What is the added value of the project compared to your traditional activities?** |  |
| **How will you take ownership of the project?** |  |

**date AND SIGNATURE**

1. THE TABLE OF rETROCESSIONS

**List the member organizations of the consortium and indicate, for each one, the amount of funds they will manage in the project.**

**Ensure that the partner information sheet is attached for each of them (see annex IX above).**

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| **FULL NAME of the LEGAL ENtity**  **(AND unroll the acronym)** | **ACRONYM**  **(only IF USED)** | **ESTIMATED amount** |
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1. PROJECT ANALYSIS

Preamble:

This questionnaire is a supplement to the “Compliance Questionnaire: Analysis of the CSO / Foundation Counterparty System.” Its objective is to enable AFD Group to assess the risk of non-compliance associated with the characteristics of the project that AFD is preparing to fund.

1. Risks associated with the project’s geographical region :

**> Does your Institution have a security risk management system?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

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| * *If so (answer to this question is yes), please provide specifics (such as security protocols, security risk mapping, security risk assessment and security risk management system):* |

**> Have you performed a dedicated security analysis with regard to the project?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

***> Geography(ies) covered by the project – please list the countries:***

2. Stakeholder screening (personnel, reallocation beneficiaries, service providers/suppliers):

**> In the event of contracting, does your institution systematically check its personnel, reallocation beneficiaries and service providers/suppliers against financial sanctions lists[[11]](#footnote-12)?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

*If the answer is negative, please ensure that the undertaking provided at the end of this questionnaire is duly signed by the legal representative of your organization in the context of the present project.*

3. Risk associated with the nature of the aid provided to beneficiary populations (transfers of funds and/or economically exploitable resources) :

**Does the project include a component consisting of transfers of funds (including per diem) and/or economically exploitable resources?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

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| **If the project does not involve any transfers of funds or provision of economically exploitable resources, please proceed directly to the last page and sign the questionnaire.** | **If the project involves transfers of funds (including per diem) or provision of economically exploitable resources, please continue :**  *In the event of a multi-country project, and in order to ensure better readability, you are invited to submit to AFD a table outlining the answers to the questions below country by country.* |

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| *Please specify the nature*  *of the transfers of funds or provision of economically exploitable resources*  *financed through AFD’s funds :* |

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| **a.) As part of this project, is your Institution eligible for a humanitarian exemption under a humanitarian emergency appeal issued by OCHA[[12]](#footnote-13) or UNHCR[[13]](#footnote-14) (e.g., HRP, Flash Appeal)?"** | [ ] Yes | [ ] No |
| *If the answer is yes, please indicate how the geographic areas and sectors targeted by the project correspond to those identified in the HRP/Flash Appeal.:* | | |
| **b.) Has your Institution been granted a waiver for this project by the Competent National Authority (CNA)[[14]](#footnote-15) ?** | [ ] Yes | [ ] No |
| *Please attach to this questionnaire the waiver granted by the Competent National Authority.* | | |

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| **c.) If you have a specific constraint that makes it impossible or inapplicable to screening of the populations benefiting from monetary transfers or transfers of exploitable economic resources, please select the appropriate category for the project’s beneficiary population :** | [ ]/ The beneficiary population lacks identity documents | [ ]/ The beneficiary population consists of minors | [ ]/Les populations bénéficiaires dont l’identité doit nécessairement être protégée en raison des persécutions subies « *en raison de leurs opinions politiques, de leur appartenance religieuse, de leur race, de leur nationalité ou de leur appartenance à un certain groupe social* » au sens de la Convention de Genève du 28 juillet 1951 |
| *Please indicate approximately the proportion of beneficiaries for whom screening is not applicable :* | | | |
| *For identity documents, please provide a reliable source justifying the lack of civil registration in the area of intervention (e.g., statistics from a specialized institute or international organization such as the World Bank, OECD, UN agencies, reputable media outlet, academic report, etc.).* | | | |
| *For risks of persecution, please provide a reliable source to contextualize the risks faced by the beneficiaries:* | | | |

**> If you are not eligible for exemptions or waivers under a), b) or c) above, will you perform a screening on the recipients of transfers of funds or exploitable economic resources** **?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

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| *If the answer is negative, please detail here the alternative measures to screening[[15]](#footnote-16) that you will implement to ensure that no funds are made available to aid beneficiaries who may be listed on any applicable sanctions lists[[16]](#footnote-17) .*  *For multi-country projects, a table may be provided to specify the measures applicable in each country.* |

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| **Provide details on the nature transfers of funds and/or economically exploitable resources concerned.**  *Nature of transfers and resources, the amount/value per beneficiary, and the frequency over the duration of the project.*  *Examples:*  *• Provision of gardening toolkits (rootstocks, nursery pots, etc.), estimated at €12 per beneficiary, provided once during the project.*  *• Endowment funds (scholarships, etc.).* |
| **Please specify the means by which aid beneficiary populations will be identified and selected.**  *For example:*  *• Do the implementing partners or project teams already have knowledge of these beneficiaries and their backgrounds?*  *• Do the beneficiaries belong to known structured groups that enable social oversight of individual members?*  *• What eligibility criteria are applied to ensure thorough knowledge and proper identification of the beneficiaries?* |
| **Please detail how the CSO will ensure that the transfers or endowments are used in accordance with their intended objectives.**  *For example:*  *•How will the final beneficiaries be monitored by local partners or project teams throughout the implementation period?*  *•By what means will local partners and project teams ensure that the transfers of funds or economically exploitable resources are used in accordance with their intended purpose?* |

**> If your CSO does not systematically screen its stakeholders (see Section 2), the following commitment must be endorsed:**

“Our institution commits, at a minimum and within the scope of this project, to conducting screening against French, European, and United Nations sanctions lists for all retrocession beneficiaries, staff members, and service providers/suppliers engaged through a formal contract.”

**Name and Signature of the Legal Representative + Date**

1. THE ADMINISTRATIVE FILE

List of documents to be submitted by the bidding organization and, if applicable, for each member of the consortium called to receive payments directly from AFD:

* Copy of the signed articles of association;
* Copy of the registration declaration in the prefecture and/or in any relevant register (i.e. Trade and Companies Register, publication in the Official Journal etc.) or equivalent according to the regulations of the country in which the organization has its headquarters;
* Dated list and contact details of the members of the Board of Directors or equivalent, the office in the case of a CSO and the main executives whose legal representative, on which appears the date of the last elections, if applicable;
* Organizational chart dated and signed by the legal representative;
* Activity reports for the last three years;
* Minutes of the Last General Assembly or at least the agenda of the last General Assembly and the main resolutions;
* Balance sheets and operating accounts for the last three financial years, certified and audited (with annexes and explanatory notes), validated by the General Assembly, highlighting the origin (public or private) of the financial resources in the case of a CSO;
* Provisional budget for the current financial year, overall and in the country(ies) where the project is implemented, showing the list of planned public funding by indicating whether it is requested or acquired, as validated in GA, and signed;
* List of private funders contributing more than 5% of the last budget of the structure validated in GA and/or more than 5% of the budget of the presented project and composition of their Board of Directors;
* Identity document of the beneficial owner(s) (Decree No. 2018-284 of April 18, 2018, defines the beneficial owner as the natural person who ultimately exercises control over the legal person, through his capital holding or voting rights or the legal representative of the legal person, in the absence of ultimately exercising a power of control through ownership of capital or voting rights).
* For any CSO that is not already accredited by the AFD and if the proposal includes provision of cash transfers or exploitable economic goods to persons: Compliance questionnaire – analysis of the AFD counterparty system. It can be downloaded from the AFD’s website: <https://www.afd.fr/sites/afd/files/Documents-reference_EN.zip>

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1. TERMS OF REFERENCE
2. Glossary

**AFD**: The French Development Agency is the funder for this project of the Support Fund for Feminist Organizations (FSOF).

**Lead CSO (level 1)**: Non-profit organization, French and/or international civil society organization (CSO) and/or national from all over the world (including partner countries of France’s international development and solidarity policy), who sign the agreement with AFD.

**Consortium members (level 2):** Non-profit organizations, French and/or international and/or national civil society organizations (CSOs) from all over the world (including partner countries of France’s international development and solidarity policy) structured in a consortium that together respond to the calls for projects and work in partnership with recipient entities (level 3).

**Recipient Entities (level 3):** Also called "local feminist CSOs" and "committed local social and solidarity enterprises – SSE" ; these are feminist civil society organizations and social and solidarity enterprises committed to defending women’s rights, partner countries of the French development and solidarity policy, which will be funded by a grant under the project (component 1) and will benefit in particular from capacity building and networking activities deployed by the consortium (components 2 and 3).

**Individual Beneficiaries (Level 4):** The individual Beneficiaries in the agreement, namely individuals/natural persons supported and targeted by the activities suggested on the ground, and notably by local feminist CSOs funded as Recipient Entities (level 3).

**Feminist Civil Society Organizations (CSOs):** According to the FSOF strategic framework, it is aimed at feminist civil society organizations in all their diversity, whether formally constituted or not, which aim to promote gender equality and sustainably transform gender-based social relations, and particularly those whose main mission is the defense and promotion of effective rights and empowerment of women and girls.

**Implementing partners**: Organizations (providers, etc.), other than consortium members, to which the implementation of certain project activities could be delegated/outsourced by the consortium [in compliance with AFD’s Procurement Directives in Foreign States](https://www.afd.fr/fr/ressources/directives-pour-la-passation-des-marches-finances-par-l-afd-dans-les-etats-etrangers).

1. Context and challenges
   1. AFD is a feminist group implementing France’s commitments on gender equality internationally

Gender equality is recognized by the international community as a fundamental foundation within the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG No. 5), as well as decent work and economic growth (SDG No. 8), poverty eradication (SDG No. 1) and the reduction of inequalities (SDG No. 10).

This commitment is today at the heart of France’s international action. It was declared a Great national cause for the two five-year terms of the President of the Republic and reiterated during the French Presidential Council for International Partnerships on April 4, 2025, aiming at the "*promotion of women’s rights and gender equality, notably by supporting feminist organizations*" – one of the 10 sectoral priority objectives for France’s international cooperation.

The programming law on solidarity development and the fight against global inequalities (2021) provides in its Comprehensive Partnership Framework that the State commits to ensuring that by 2025, 75% of the annual volumes of commitments for French bilateral official development assistance have gender equality as their main or significant objective.

**France’s new International Strategy for Feminist Foreign Policy 2025-2030** reaffirms the central place of women’s and girls' rights and gender equality in all fields of France’s international action. The fight against gender-based violence against women and girls and the defence of women’s rights in the digital environment are two priorities of this strategy[[17]](#footnote-18).

On this basis, **the AFD group asserts itself as a feminist group**, a strong positioning of its 2025-2030 strategy which promotes gender equality with a transformative feminist approach as one of the objectives of its Social Link priority. The AFD group affirms in its Social Link 2025-2030 roadmap a double ambition in terms of gender equality and the promotion of women’s and girls’ rights: gender mainstreaming in all sectors of intervention and a strengthened commitment to women’s empowerment through support for projects whose main objective is the reduction of gender inequalities.

As the flagship of its Feminist Foreign Policy, France has been deploying the Support Fund for Feminist Organizations (FSOF) since 2020. Its main objective is to reduce gender-based inequalities by strengthening the technical, financial and administrative capacities of feminist civil society organizations in France’s partner countries. It is co-led by the MEAE and the AFD in regular consultations with civil society organizations.

* 1. Support for feminist civil society organizations through the FSOF

This call for projects is part of the [**Support Fund for Feminist Organizations (FSOF**),](https://www.afd.fr/fr/fonds-de-soutien-aux-organisations-feministes) co-led by AFD and MEAE, co-constructed with feminist civil society organizations.

**Between 2020 and 2023, the FSOF approved €194 million for more than 1,400 feminist civil society organizations (CSOs)** in 75 partner countries.

The **FSOF is aimed** **at feminist civil society organizations in all their diversity,** whether formally constituted or not, which aim to promote gender equality and sustainably transform social relations based on gender, and particularly those whose main mission is the **defense and promotion of effective rights and the empowerment of women and girls. While paying particular attention to the least developed countries (LDCs), the fund also addresses feminist civil society organizations on other continents, since gender equality issues remain significant in all countries.**

The Fund thus offers three funding channels:

* **AFD projects and calls for projects** aimed at feminist civil society organizations in partner countries of France’s international development and solidarity policy, notably through intermediated funds; [[18]](#footnote-19)
* The AFD**’s Civil Society Initiatives (CSO)** **programme** aimed at French civil society organizations and their civil society partners in partner countries;
* The **funding mechanisms of the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs** for feminist civil society organizations in partner countries of the French development and international solidarity policy, notably through the Fonds Equipe France (FEF).

This call for projects is part **of the first funding channel**. It aims to select a consortium of CSOs that will design, implement and manage the financing mechanism (intermediated fund) and capacity building for feminist civil society organizations in partner countries.

It **complements another** **component of the project implemented by Expertise France** on supporting dialogue between CSOs and institutional actors, by strengthening the role of CSOs to facilitate the co-construction of public policies to fight against TFGBV in West Africa (Senegal, Nigeria and Benin). These activities will be part of and benefit from synergies with a multi-country technical assistance program on "Women’s leadership in the public sector of information and communication technologies", funded by the European Commission and implemented by agencies from six Member States of the European Union. One of the components of this program is dedicated to supporting national institutions in the development and implementation of public policies to fight TFGBV, and CSOs in developing coordination mechanisms and assistance for victims of TFGBV in West and East Africa, in Latin America and in Central and Southeast Asia. An effective articulation, facilitating synergies, will be expected between the projects financed by AFD. The corresponding strategy will be defined at the start of the project.

* 1. State of play on technology-facilitated gender-based violence

**A rapidly expanding phenomenon**

In the current context of digital globalization, increased access to information and communication technologies (ICT) has profoundly transformed human interactions. If these technologies constitute a lever **of emancipation and empowerment for women**, girls, and minorities, they **are also risk vectors exacerbating gender inequalities and facilitating various forms** of technology-facilitated gender-based violence (TFGBV).  This violence, far from being anecdotal, is part of a systemic phenomenon that perpetuates and amplifies gender inequalities in the digital space.

The term "technology-facilitated gender-based violence" refers **to any act of violence perpetrated, facilitated or amplified through the use of information and communication technologies, which targets a person because of their gender, of their sexual orientation and gender identity,** whether it is a woman, a girl or a person from LGBTQIA+ minorities as well as, to a lesser extent, their allies.

Gender-based cyberviolence is an extension, in the digital space, of the ***violence suffered by girls, women and people belonging to minorities in the everyday "physical" world.*** *It participates in a* **continuum**, *that is to say that it is part of a set of practices and behaviors that reinforce each other, thus perpetuating gender inequalities and violence. This continuum* includes forms of violence that range from daily micro-aggressions to more serious physical and psychological violence, all fueled by social norms and gender stereotypes. **These abuses are often interconnected and can manifest in both the physical and online worlds, creating an environment where victims are constantly exposed to threats and abuse.**

**Scale and main targets**

Women and girls are the main victims of TFGBV. According to the United Nations, **95% of cyberviolence specifically targets them.**[[19]](#footnote-20) Nearly 40% of women internet users worldwide have been individually confronted with online violence,[[20]](#footnote-21) and if we count women victims and women witnesses of online violence, it climbs to 85%[[21]](#footnote-22) (in fact, even if a woman is not directly targeted, she can be affected by seeing other women suffer from abuse). These figures reach 80% in Asia-Pacific and 90% in Africa. Furthermore, the Covid-19 pandemic exacerbated this phenomenon, with a significant increase in cyberviolence against women between 2019 and 2021.[[22]](#footnote-23)

Certain categories of women are particularly exposed. **Adolescent girls, young women, women engaged in public activity, journalists and feminist activists are frequently targeted**. These violences combine gender stereotypes (including online and notably conveyed by artificial intelligence), sexist attitudes, the anonymity and echo chamber effect of social media to damage their reputation and remove them from social and professional life (outside the home), but also to intimidate them and utter threats of physical violence – sometimes actually perpetrated. In fact, Amnesty International has observed that these attacks often lead victims to "freeze" their online activities, a phenomenon referred to as the "chilling effect".

Furthermore, **women from minorities, migrants, and those with disabilities are also more affected** by this violence than others. For example, women and girls with disabilities are particularly exposed to TFGBV due to their double vulnerability related to gender and disability. They experience more online harassment, image-based blackmail, or even exclusion from secure digital spaces. Yet, they are often absent from prevention policies and measures. According to UN Women, the limited accessibility of digital reporting tools and awareness campaigns exacerbates their exposure. It is essential to integrate an inclusive intersectional approach into all prevention efforts. **Intersectionality** is therefore an important parameter to take into account in the fight against TFGBV.[[23]](#footnote-24)

**Typologies of TFGBV and their impacts**

**TFGBV is multifaceted and constantly evolving** (just like the terminology to designate them), due to new technologies that give birth to new forms (for example, *deepfakes*). It covers a diversity of violence identified in particular by the Forum on Internet Governance in 2015. It falls into six main categories: invasion of privacy, surveillance and control, damage to reputation and credibility, harassment, technology-facilitated threats and physical violence, as well as targeted attacks against a community.

1. **Violation of privacy:** The first category includes practices such as *doxing*, which involves publicly disclosing personal information without consent, thus exposing victims to threats or physical attacks.
2. **Surveillance and control**: It is an insidious form of violence that allows a person who perpetrates violence to track, locate, and restrict a victim’s movements via spyware or the control of their digital access (for example: control of social networks, notably by the abusive partner of the victim, to isolate them).
3. **Damage to reputation and credibility**: this includes in particular the distribution of pornographic *deepfakes* and the publication of intimate content without consent (images, videos, *deepfakes*, sexual rumors). A study by Deeptrace (2019) estimates that 96% of the content available online and generated by generative artificial intelligence is pornographic in nature and exclusively concerns women. This type of violence has disastrous professional and social consequences for the victims. Moreover, these actions often aim to generate income for the criminals who create these images or videos and then monetize them, without the victims' knowledge. Victims, who may be ostracized, lose their jobs or suffer reprisals within their community.
4. **Online harassment**: this is a widespread practice, which can be individual or collective (*mobbing*). It mainly targets activists, journalists and public figures. However, engagement is only an aggravating factor. A study by Plan International (2020) revealed that 58% of girls aged 15 to 25 have already been victims of harassment on social networks, some as young as 8 years old.
5. **Technology-facilitated threats and physical violence**: Some forms of TFGBV involve direct threats and/or facilitate acts of physical violence. For example, the dissemination of personal information such as address or phone number, which can lead to rape and assault. This also includes cases of trafficking in women and children, particularly through organized criminal networks for sexual exploitation. The explosion in the use of social networks from 2010 onwards has fostered the emergence of cyber prostitution, and therefore sexual exploitation via the internet - forced prostitution being predominant.
6. **Targeted attacks against a community**: these aim to exclude certain groups from digital spaces. One can particularly think of the use of digital media to select an individual or a group as the object of an attack (traps on social networks and dating apps, online extortion, online harassment and outing, and use of digital information in legal proceedings).

**State of the TFGBV by region**

Technology-facilitated gender-based violence varies considerably depending on socio-political contexts, technology penetration and digital uses. The anonymity and reach of social media allow perpetrators to target women, girls, and gender minorities without fear of immediate repercussions, thus amplifying the occurrences of online violence. Activists, journalists, human rights defenders and other exposed individuals are particularly vulnerable, sometimes subjected to coordinated attacks aimed at silencing them and excluding them from the digital public space.

Although the average connection rate for Africans remains the lowest on the five continents, the fact is that gender-based violence is growing strongly across the continent. In sub-Saharan Africa, the prevalence is 90%, according to the survey by The Economist. In North Africa, TFGBV represent a growing threat for women and girls and minorities. The reality of the phenomenon is particularly alarming, with very serious repercussions of digital violence for the victims – up to «honor killings» in the Maghreb and Middle Eastern societies. In the Gulf of Guinea, TFGBV takes notably the form of sextortion and abuse committed on children – digital tools then becoming a new weapon for sexual exploitation networks. Within the Great Sahel[[24]](#footnote-25), the rise of social networks has led to an upsurge in such violence. However, the lack of documentation on the phenomenon complicates the development of appropriate responses. Some local NGOs are nevertheless trying to remedy this, like the #TaxawTemm! Aar Suñu Bopp, launched in the summer of 2023 to raise awareness among the Senegalese population about the dangers of sexist cyberviolence[[25]](#footnote-26). In southern Africa, the issue is also gaining importance, so much so that the CSO Digital Society Africa (DSA) has specialized in strengthening the digital security of civil society organizations. Composed of cybersecurity specialists, it offers cybersecurity solutions, digital security audits, and emergency assistance to CSOs in case of TFGBV[[26]](#footnote-27). In East Africa, TFGBV takes the form, as elsewhere, of online sexual harassment, cybersurveillance and doxxing, mainly on Facebook and WhatsApp. The lack of digital literacy and awareness makes women and minorities all the more vulnerable to these abuses, as denounced by Digital Woman Uganda. Moreover, women journalists and politicians are particularly targeted and often forced to leave social networks.[[27]](#footnote-28)

Despite large disparities, the **Near and Middle East** have some of the highest connection rates in the developing world. This rather widespread high digital penetration in the region is accompanied by an alarming rate of gender-based cyberviolence. According to a study by The Economist (2021), 98% of women who use the internet in the Middle East have experienced TFGBV – the highest rate in the world[[28]](#footnote-29). The conflicts that take place there shape specific dynamics (notably in Syria, Yemen, and Palestine). In addition, feminist activists and women human rights defenders and politicians are privileged targets of TFGBV, subjected to threats, verbal abuse and digital blackmail. For example, in Lebanon, the country’s 2023 parliamentary election candidates faced different forms of TFGBV - unlike their male counterparts. Very often, the 'feeling of insecurity' felt by women dissuades them from engaging in politics or running for election. Data shows that between 2020 and 2023, 80% of victims of digital violence in Lebanon were women, compared to 20% for men[[29]](#footnote-30). More generally,[[30]](#footnote-31) the legal framework for combating TFGBV in the region remains fragmented and largely insufficient in defining the phenomenon and punishing crimes.

**An insufficient institutional response making the action of feminist CSOs crucial**

Despite these alarming figures, the legal and institutional responses remain insufficient. **Currently, there is no international treaty specifically dedicated to the fight against TFGBV, nor even against gender-based violence more broadly. The lack of a binding international framework specifically dedicated to TFGBV makes it difficult to have** a harmonized and coherent response to this phenomenon. The fragmentation and heterogeneity of norms between states lead to gaps in the repression of digital violence, thus creating loopholes in the protection of victims and the punishment of perpetrators.In addition, the rapid evolution of new forms of violence further increases knowledge and data gaps, making it difficult for governments to keep up with developments.

In parallel, only 0.2% of official development assistance is allocated to gender-based violence (OECD, 2022), and an even smaller fraction therefore specifically concerns TFGBV. In this context, civil society organisations (CSOs) play an essential role by exerting pressure on public institutions and digital platforms. Their action is also key in terms of awareness, training and support for victims. They also advocate for better **education** in digital technology, but also in gender equality, sexual and reproductive health and rights, and gender-based violence, in order to prevent risks and equip young people with tools to deal with TFGBV. It may involve, for example, intervening in support of the educational community in schools and universities to raise awareness starting in school and in universities about online violence and digital security, integrate modules on the fight against TFGBV in training courses and curricula, create workshops and educational tools accessible to students.

The **media**, on the other hand, can play a key role in exposing the extent of the phenomenon and breaking the silence around digital violence. However, they are also sometimes complicit in the perpetuation of this violence, notably through the diffusion of sexist content or the minimization of TFGBV in public debate.

Faced with these challenges, concerted action involving governments, feminist and human rights CSOs, digital platforms and media is therefore necessary to ensure a safer digital space that respects the human and digital rights of all.

1. Specific issue and challenge of this call for projects

**TFGBV is one of the multiple forms of gender-based violence and must be recognized and addressed as such**. Although research works and gray literature on the subject are multiplying, **the phenomenon remains insufficiently and unequally known**. Awareness remains insufficient, a large part of the population and especially the most vulnerable do not have the tools, supports and services necessary to protect themselves from TFGBV in their use of new technologies. The stakeholders who should engage in fighting TFGBV and more specifically preventing, protecting victims, prosecuting and punishing perpetrators and ensuring reparation (justice, law enforcement, social workers, etc.) sometimes demonstrate a quite relative mastery of the issues, leading them not to consider the seriousness of TFGBV, coupled with a crucial lack of tools to identify and prosecute the authors. Moreover, the people and organizations most targeted and exposed lack the capacity and tools to protect and defend themselves.

Thus, the challenge of this call for projects is to support feminist organizations in the fight against TFGBV: strengthening security and respect in the digital environment; providing comprehensive support to TFGBV victims, including psychological, legal and technological aid; supporting knowledge production & advocacy. The aim is to allow all categories of people specifically targeted by TFGBV to have access to safe and respectful digital spaces.

In this regard, **the role of feminist organizations is essential to raise awareness among communities -** and more particularly girls and women, who are the first victims of such violence -, **educate and train stakeholders including particularly vulnerable people and/or targeted by TFGBV to increase their digital security, support victims and produce knowledge to feed advocacy.**

Taking action against TFGBV involves considering certain challenges and opportunities for intervention in this field, which the consortia are invited to explore as part of this call for projects:

* **How to ensure the protection of supported organizations, their members and the people they support?**

Many CSOs and feminist movements are themselves the target of online attacks, against which they have certain defensive capabilities. Strengthening the cybersecurity of CSOs and protecting feminist activists thus appear as the first step in supporting them so that they are able to intervene on the subject, thus constituting the first target of capacity-building actions.

* **How to develop the legislative framework?**

As mentioned in the part dedicated to the general overview, the legal framework remains incomplete and the competent authorities insufficiently aware and trained. However, feminist struggles have established precedents in many parts of the world. They must be pursued.

* **How to work with all users of digital technology, beyond potential victims, and thus promote respectful behaviors and positive masculinities in the fight against TFGBV?**

The project’s goal is to finance feminist CSO activities aimed at all users in order to promote respectful online behaviors and positive masculinities in the fight against TFGBV. It will be a question of defusing problematic behaviors, at the origin of violence, and facilitating the commitment of allies.

* **Is the project intended to work with alleged or proven victims of TFGBV?**

It is expected that the project will develop prevention of technology-facilitated gender-based violence; but also that it will finance feminist CSO activities aimed at alleged and/or proven victims. A holistic, innovative and pragmatic approach must be sought and specifically adapted to the situation of each country of intervention. It must include legal, psychological and technological support.

* **Is it expected that the project will finance activities aimed at perpetrators?**

The project will be able to finance activities for TFGBV perpetrators, but this is not an obligation. Indeed, this call for projects is aimed primarily at victims and/or witnesses of TFGBV, in line with the work carried out by feminist associations and victim-centered approaches. It is also important to recognize the fact that perpetrators are mostly male, any work aimed at strengthening so-called positive or deconstructed masculinities can contribute to prevention aimed at perpetrators. At any rate, beyond their identification and possible condemnation, the development of tools and methods to work with this category of people can be part of the suggested solutions, in a transformative perspective.

* **How to take into account the digital divide in order not to reinforce it?**

The digital divide remains a reality, more or less pronounced depending on the country. The low digital literacy of certain population categories remains a factor aggravating the risks and impacts of TFGBV. Therefore, it will be necessary to take into account the disparity of user profiles and their potential specific vulnerabilities (notably disabled people), in order to offer appropriate responses, while specifically targeting the fight against TFGBV (and not the fight against illiteracy in general). In fact, equitable digital access remains essential for empowerment and access to rights, but the objective of the project should not be the fight against illiteracy. In this sense, the consortia must take this into account and, through an intersectional approach rooted in the local context, reflect on how not to limit to violence the articulation of digital technology and feminism.

* **How to think about what can be done with private actors in the digital sector?**

The fight against TFGBV could be even more effective if it was done in collaboration with private actors, whether they are specialized local start-ups (which could be occasional service providers within the framework of the project), or larger digital platforms controlling a multitude of applications. The consortia are encouraged to submit a reflection on these issues, and to consider partnerships in this direction when it seems possible, although this is not an obligation.

* **How to develop technological tools or appropriate the existing ones in an efficient and effective approach?**

The prevention and control of TFGBV also involves the development and use of appropriate technological tools[[31]](#footnote-32). The technical dimension of these tools generates significant costs and can require very specific skills within teams, as well as significant negotiation capabilities to build a partnership with the platforms. If some very specialized CSOs have these platforms, efficient and effective partnership approaches must be explored for the appropriation, adaptation, dissemination of existing tools when possible. The occasional use of service providers should be limited but is not excluded. In general, and given the complexity of the issues, consortia responding to this call for proposals may submit proposals including the development of technological tools or the use of existing technologies adapted to their needs within a limit of 15% of the project budget excluding component 1 (component related to the funding of local feminist organizations, i.e. €300,000).

* **How to monitor and document the changing and multifaceted phenomenon of TFGBV, better understand it and share knowledge as it develops?**

TFGBV has multiple shapes and evolves extremely quickly with the development of technologies and the evolution of practices. It is necessary to monitor the progress of research but also to feed it and document it based on fieldwork and operatinal research activities emanating from civil society and feminist initiatives on the ground. The issues of capitalization and knowledge sharing are all the more decisive in the context of this FSOF as the subject requires regular adaptation to meet needs.

1. General framework of the call for proposals
   1. Purposes/objectives

**The project aims to finance civil society organisations from partner countries of France’s international development and solidarity policy, which work in preventing and combating TFGBV.** AFD will prioritize projects that are rooted in the dynamics of societal transformation through gender equality, fully integrating multidimensional inequalities (age, disability, belonging to a minority group, etc.) which can be used in field activities, advocacy, capitalization and/or networking.

The project with a total amount of €4M will be implemented by a consortium of civil society organizations (CSOs).

**The financing and civil society strengthening mechanism set up by the consortium that will be selected within the framework of this call for projects will aim to finance the activities of these feminist CSOs on the following three objectives:**

1. Strengthen security and respect in the digital environment, by widely spreading the necessary knowledge to fight and prevent GBTFV, equipping targeted individuals and organizations with the necessary tools and skills;
2. Provide comprehensive support to TFGBV victims, including psychological, legal and technological aid;
3. Produce, update and disseminate feminist knowledge on the phenomenon of TFGBV in order to inform advocacy actions for an appropriate legal framework.

Direct grants to feminist CSOs will be able to finance field activities (including training and education, formal and informal), advocacy, research and content production, capitalization, capacity building, of sharing experiences and/or networking, and may also concern their structural costs. They will also be able to support the organizational development of organizations that combat TFGBV as well as the equipment necessary to strengthen their digital protection. The prioritization between these different elements will be determined after an **identification of needs, a consultation with civil society and feminist CSOs** acting in the prevention and fight against TFGBV (global or regional feminist networks or associations, Global or regional funds for supporting feminist movements, international union federations, global and regional feminist NGOs, local feminist CSOs), and a **mapping of CSOs likely to be recipients of project funds[[32]](#footnote-33)** (through funding but also in terms of strengthening good practices and structuring associative projects) and able to carry out long-term activities.

* 1. Approach and scope of this call for projects

## Logic and principles of intervention

The lead organization of the consortium will need to demonstrate its ability to implement large-scale projects. **The submitted project must not represent more than 70% of the annual resources over the last 3 certified exercises of the lead consortium organization. This threshold does not apply to consortium members.**

**This call for projects aims to select a consortium** that will create and implement on an administrative, financial and logistical level, a financing mechanism (intermediated fund) intended for local feminist CSOs in several countries and which could notably be composed of:

* Global or regional feminist networks or associations (operational activities, activists, research and expertise)
* Global or regional funds in support of feminist movements
* International trade union federations
* Networks of CSOs acting on inequalities
* Global, regional and national NGOs.

The presence of national organizations from the Global South among the members of the selected consortium is strongly recommended.

**The CSO recipients of the funds** will be formally established or not, with the aim of promoting gender equality and transforming social relations based on gender in a sustainable manner. **These CSOs should not necessarily be TFGBV specialists, but must be capable of and willing to act on the necessary levers to strengthen gender equality through the prevention and fight against TFGBV.** These CSOs will be considered as project promoters. Among these final recipient CSOs, one may find for example:

* Associations or NGOs promoting gender equality and/or the emancipation of women or girls and/or defending their rights
* National feminist foundations and funds
* National or regional branches of global feminist NGOs
* Multi-stakeholder thematic platforms (including feminist CSOs)
* Feminist CSO coalitions, networks or national alliances
* Associations, confederations or groupings of women in an economic sector (e.g. crafts, textiles, domestic work, agri-food, sex work)
* Associations or networks of women entrepreneurs, businesswomen or business leaders
* Unions (e.g. domestic workers, agricultural workers)
* Local research groups or institutes with a gender perspective
* Associations for the defense and support of the development of certain key groups (LGBTQIA+, people with disabilities, ethnic or religious groups, specific migratory status, etc.)
* Youth associations, particularly of young feminists, young girls or young women leaders
* Informal feminist activist movements, collectives or communities
* Informal women’s groups.

The actions that will be carried out as part of this call for projects will ensure, during the start-up phase, that they are coordinated with the projects developed by AFD, by the French embassies and by Expertise France in the field.

**Each project must be part of a rights-based approach, inclusive and taking into account the multidimensional factors of inequality.** Each project will take into account vertical and horizontal inequalities, particularly in certain fragile contexts targeted by the project. It will be sensitive to the specific vulnerabilities and multiple forms of discrimination and exclusion faced by certain categories of people (with disabilities, varied gender identities, migrants, sexually exploited, etc.). The consortium will ensure in its operational approach to promote interventions involving those groups that are most at risk.

Attention will also be paid to taking into account the **level of exposure to security risks** (including exposure to TFGBV) of local CSO members involved in the defense of rights and protection of activists and targets of TFGBV. The leader of the consortium must have, or at least suggest the development of, a policy / charter / code of conduct for taking into account the security exposure that feminist CSOs will have to commit to respecting. Furthermore, the consortium in charge of structuring the call for projects should ensure that the activities do not involve risks for the beneficiaries and partners, including in terms of TFGBV.

**The call for projects does not establish a list of activities or expected results**. A list of examples of activities is however shared below ("Scope of intervention") for information purposes.

Furthermore, AFD wishes that the focus in the choice of funded CSOs is on:

* The contribution and coherence between the activities funded for the benefit of the recipients of the funds, and the overall theory of change established for the project;[[33]](#footnote-34)
* The sustainability of funded activities: if it is understood that the project will finance the operating costs of local CSOs, it is desirable to systematically question the logic of sustainability of activities at the end of the project. In this sense, it is expected that the projects proposed by the CSOs permit to note impacts and spillover effects beyond the project. This point should be a criterion for discussion with local CSOs and for assessing submitted projects.

**An articulation will be systematically sought with the already existing projects on this theme in the intervention areas, and in particular with the component implemented by Expertise France and the technical assistance program funded by the European Union if countries of intervention are the same. This articulation will be discussed at the start of the project and once the consortium is selected.** At the national level, close coordination with national actors, including state actors, donors and other non-state operators active on these themes at the national and local levels will be expected, in order to ensure complementarities of actions and approaches, to capitalize on the respective lessons learned, and to optimize support. Regular information will be shared with AFD’s headquarters and country offices in order to strengthen the dialogue with national stakeholders, government authorities and other technical and financial partners as necessary. The project application should therefore present in more detail the intervention logic and the proposed theory of change, as well as the methodology chosen by the consortium to identify the structures receiving funding.

Finally, the actions of feminist CSOs cannot be supported and considered without considering the scope of institutional intervention and public policy. In this sense, **anchoring the project to the coordination entities and public policy dialogue, as a sounding board, a target for advocacy, and for the enhancement of expectations and of community mobilization should be considered as an intervention principle**. The support will thus focus in particular on strengthening dialogue capacities with ministries.

## Geographical perimeter

The project is to be carried out in partner countries of France’s international development and solidarity policy in Africa and the Near and Middle East where AFD has a mandate to intervene, excluding emerging countries (including South Africa).

**The consortium must cover a minimum of four countries, including 3 so-called 'most vulnerable'** countries as defined by **the Presidential Council for International Partnerships of April 2025**[[34]](#footnote-35)**:** are considered as the most vulnerable countries "the least developed countries and those particularly vulnerable to climate change or in situations of great financial fragility, using notably the UN’s multidimensional vulnerability index (MVI)." However, there is currently no formal list of 'most vulnerable' countries. It will therefore be necessary to define and justify the vulnerability of the countries covered in the proposal.

**These countries must be located in the Africa, Near and Middle East regions, as defined by AFD’s regional directorates ("RD"), according to the list of eligible countries below:**

* **Africa:**
* RD North Africa (Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt)
* RD Central Africa (DRC, Congo, Gabon, Cameroon, Sao-Tome and Principe and Equatorial Guinea)
* RD East Africa (Ethiopia, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya, Djibouti, Eritrea, Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan)
* RD Southern Africa (Mozambique, Angola, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia, Zambia, Zimbabwe)
* RD Gulf of Guinea (Benin, Togo, Guinea, Nigeria, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone)
* RD Grand Sahel (Cape Verde, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, Senegal and Chad)
* **Orients:**
* RD Near and Middle East (Palestinian Territories, Jordan, Iraq, Lebanon)

The consortium is expected to demonstrate geographical and strategic coherence in the choice of countries and regions. The suggested geographical targeting must be duly justified, and will constitute an evaluation criterion.

The consortium will provide a proposal detailing the mechanism for selecting and funding the recipients of the funds in each country, but also the partnership approach envisaged and the roles and responsibilities of each member of the consortium.

It is expected as part of the proposal that the consortium identifies a coordination mechanism (i) between the target countries and (ii) between geographical areas (if the suggested project covers two or three regions) ; a dynamic of exchanges of practices between countries as well as between regions will be promoted. The lead CSO of the consortium will in particular have to plan financial means to go, during the project, at least once in each country of the project.

It is expected that the consortia responding to this call for projects will submit a proposal detailing the mechanism for selecting and funding the recipients of the funds in each country, but also the partnership approach envisaged and the roles and responsibilities of each of the consortium members.

In addition, a dynamic of exchanges of practices between regions will be promoted.

## Scope of intervention

The project will finance the activities of feminist CSOs working for preventing, protecting victims and fighting against TFGBV, focusing in particular on the three objectives presented below. For each objective, **an indicative and non-exhaustive list of activities that can be implemented by local CSOs is proposed.**

**Objective 1: Strengthen security and respect in the digital environment**

* **Prevention of TFGBV through better education of children, adolescents and young adults in the use of digital tools and the risks related to TFGBV:**
* Development, co-construction and provision of practical guides and tools (easily accessible in local language) for different audiences;
* Collaboration with schools and universities as well as professional training centers and educational teams in order to integrate modules on TFGBV into curricula and develop specific educational programs (e.g., modules on consent, cybersecurity to prevent TFGBV, online compliance and the impacts of TFGBV in particular);
* Training of education and training professionals to provide them with tools to raise awareness among students and prevent TFGBV from childhood and adolescence;
* Events, including hackathons, with private actors to co-build prevention and fight against TFGBV in schools, universities and vocational training institutions;
* General public campaigns on TFGBV aimed at particularly vulnerable people with the aim of acquiring good practices to protect themselves from TFGBV;
* Mobilization of young people targeted by the TFGBV and in particular young girls through projects developed as part of their schooling / studies;
* Etc.
* **Training of the people targeted by the TFGBV to equip them with the necessary skills to secure their digital presence and maintain an autonomous online engagement as securely as possible.**
* Development of digital self-defense training for women and girls and people in vulnerable situations (data protection, management of privacy settings, evidence gathering, etc.);
* Design and dissemination of a toolkit for targeted people and a feminist self-defense manual;
* Work with the educational and professional community of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) fields for the integration of issues related to TFGBV;
* Specific support for young girls and young women studying in the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) field, and particularly in computer science, for them to take on the issues related to TFGBV by facilitating the orientation and success of girls in these fields;
* Training in the use of existing technological tools to defend against TFGBV;
* Establishment of networks for sharing best practices in digital security;
* Etc.
* **Strengthening the cybersecurity of vulnerable and targeted CSOs, in particular feminist CSOs** (appropriation and development of technologies by civil society organizations and feminist movements):
* Conducting digital security audits of CSOs and their activists and implementing an action plan;
* Sharing of good practices and technological tools in cybersecurity;
* Development of targeted partnerships with start-ups and specialized private companies, including platforms - to the extent of the consortium’s capabilities, in order to promote their engagement in the fight against TFGBV;

Etc.

**Objective 2: Provide comprehensive support to TFGBV victims, including psyhcological, legal and technological aid**

* **Development of support and accompaniment services for TFGBV victims and/or witnesses, with an intersectional approach.**
* Setting up *hotlines* or emergency repositories allowing people targeted by TFGBV and witnesses to obtain immediate support with digital protection measures;
* Medico-psychosocial and legal support, possibly through online support communities;
* Development of social media support campaigns towards targeted people to counter online hate campaigns;
* Intervention and support for the recovery of stolen online accounts;
* Technical and emotional support for legal complaints and procedures.
* Sustainable psychological and legal support to ensure recovery and access to justice;
* Etc.
* **Awareness-raising and monitoring of perpetrators of violence**
* Implementation of restorative justice systems where perpetrators become aware of the impacts of their actions and work to change their behavior;
* Workshops with people perpetrating violence to defuse problematic behaviors, facilitate awareness of the real impact of TFGBV and remind them of the risks and penalties incurred;
* Mobilization and engagement of men and boys as allies through focus groups and discussion fora including online, participation in advocacy actions and online support;
* Etc.

**Objective 3: Knowledge production & advocacy**

* **Data collection, behavior analysis and documentation of violence**
* Development and generalization of analysis tools to produce qualitative and quantitative data on TFGBV, with a gendered and intersectional approach;
* Development of monitoring tools to quickly identify new digital risks and types of TFGBV.
* Conducting research and studies on TFGBV to adapt political and social responses;
* Development of resource centers or observatories (independent or linked to universities) on TFGBV;
* Etc.
* **Development of evidence-based advocacy strategies to influence public policy and promote legal frameworks tailored to protection against TFGBV.**
* Amplification of the voice (including online) and representation of women and other categories of people targeted by TFGBV, in their societies and with authorities.
* Awareness workshops for public actors and stakeholders in the fight against TFGBV;
* Use of social and traditional media to raise community awareness about TFGBV, mobilize community support networks and amplify the voice of victims in order to promote collective awareness.
* Activities targeting digital platforms to encourage co-regulation, facilitate the creation of spaces for exchange and self-regulation;
* Setting up databases (by disaggregating data by gender and type of vulnerabilities) to track trends and impacts of TFGBV.

**In a cross-cutting way, it is expected to promote gender transformative policies and practices, especially in TFGBV,** through:

* **The recognition of TFGBV in their diversity as full-fledged violence constituting a barrier to gender equality and the** **design and implementation of public policies and legislative framework** to prevent the phenomenon and protect targeted people, accompany the victims and punish the perpetrators of violence**;**
* **The influence and transformation of** **social gender norms** (values and beliefs reinforcing inequalities, sexist stereotypes) and harmful practices contributing to limiting online presence, the autonomy and engagement of women and LGBTQIA+ populations and the promotion of inclusive messages in order to fight against norms, the promotion of innovative initiatives around building inclusive and responsible online practices (netiquette);
* **The adoption of strategies to meet the specific needs of particularly vulnerable people (those particularly targeted by TFGBV);**
* The adoption of an **intersectional approach,** which takes into account how inequalities and oppressions, such as those related to age, real or perceived ethnicity, disability and sexual orientation, etc. overlap and give rise to specific situations of violence;
* **Promoting the engagement of men and boys in the fight against TFGBV and the** transformation of gender norms, working notably on masculinities to deconstruct sexist stereotypes and promote respectful and egalitarian behaviors online (and offline).
* The strengthening of online and offline **action capacity** and **individual and collective foundations ('life skills'*,* soft skills and women empowerment)** supporting their economic empowerment: women’s **leadership**, self-esteem and trust, speaking up, **decision-making power/autonomy**, dynamics of solidarity and **mutual aid, self-care** and awareness of the right to live free from violence;
* **Strengthening and sustaining alliances between feminist CSOs** working on this theme and supporting community initiatives aimed at strengthening the online resilience of women and minorities.
* The promotion **of innovative practices and the appropriation of existing technologies in the fight against TFGBV (**for example: mobile applications for reporting violence and collecting testimonies and support from victims, *chatbots* and AI to provide immediate support to victims, data analysis tools, partnerships with technology companies).

**Furthermore, it is expected that the production of knowledge within the project framework and at both levels (that of the consortium and the overall management of the fund as well as that of each sub-project of the recipient organizations) will be based on a integrated monitoring and evaluation system,** feeding into learning throughout the project and local initiatives and informing the decision to reorient activities if necessary, as well as occasional evaluations (mid-term and final for the consortium and overall project management, final only for sub-projects of local CSOs). The on-board monitoring and evaluation system will make it possible to identify weak signals in this area based on a few "sentinel" indicators, and will seek to document the induced or unexpected effects of activities.

**Finally, working in coordination with local research teams** **is expected** (in sociology, anthropology, psychology or any other relevant discipline) allowing to document trajectories of change or a theme related to the action implemented by local actors based on a rigorous methodology. This work may, but need not, be linked to the funded sub-projects. The implementation modalities are left to the discretion of the beneficiary, based on the proposals formulated in the project note and which will then be specified during the appraisal phase.

## Structuring of the project

According to the priorities of the FSOF, each project will be organized around the following 3 components:

**COMPONENT 1: PROVISION OF FLEXIBLE FUNDING TO FEMINIST CSOs**

The funds will be implemented at the level of CSOs that have been identified by the consortium. Different funding channels may be suggested to identify CSO initiatives with limited amounts (€5,000 to €250,000). These funds will support the activities and functioning of local formal or informal feminist organizations on the ground. At a minimum, 50% of the total project budget must be allocated to this component. An approach that does not put in competition the CSO recipients of funds will be preferred.

**COMPONENT 2: STRENGTHENING CSO TECHNICAL CAPACITIES**

On the basis of an initial diagnosis of capacity-building needs and the definition of a learning plan, the consortium will develop a range of technical training activities on the various project themes as well as in financial management, and will support local CSOs in developing their strategic plan and a viable economic model. The consortium will also support CSOs in defining advocacy messages, establishing synergies with other ongoing actions, capitalizing on good practices, and developing content and communication materials. It is possible to include activities for the development of tools or technological solutions for digital protection and security but with a non-commercial aim and without exceeding 15% of the overall project envelope, excluding the component relating to funding to CSOs (i.e. €300,000).

**COMPONENT 3: CAPITALIZATION, SHARING OF PRACTICES AND NETWORKING**

The activities of this component will aim at capitalizing on the differentiated expertise of beneficiary CSOs and mechanisms for the transfer of knowledge and experience among them, with a view to building a community of practice. This component also includes a component related to communication and project visibility (events, etc.). Research and knowledge generation activities, as well as advocacy, influence and political action are also included in this component. As part of the proposal, it is expected that the consortia identify a coordination mechanism (i) between the targeted countries and (ii) between the two geographical areas (inter-consortium).

## Budget framework

This call for projects concerns a grant envelope of an amount of 4 MEUR including taxes, including the costs of the lead organization to manage the funds, including administrative costs/indirect costs (the amount of which may not exceed 12% of the total amount), as well as the costs related to transversal activities, capitalization and operational research.

**The grant can cover 100% of the project amount.**

At least 50% of this funding will be subgranted to local CSOs to finance their operational activities and structural costs. A possible emergency fund for the safety of activists may be suggested (still in component 1). The funding mechanism for local CSOs will have to allocate amounts ranging from €5,000 to €250,000, allowing any type of feminist organization (subject to validation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing procedures) to benefit. A balance between very small amounts of funding on the one hand, and medium amounts on the other, will be sought in order to be able to support small organizations traditionally far removed from external funding without however multiplying this type of support in order to ensure the feasibility of the project in its execution.

## Duration of the implementation

**The duration of the project will be 3 to 4 years**, with the possibility of financing feminist civil society organizations for variable periods, depending on the sub-projects, within this overall framework. The proposal must justify the suggested duration.

1. Operational setup
   1. Funds intermediated by the consortium

**The call for projects aims to select a consortium of non-profit organizations or CSOs** that will be entrusted by AFD with the financing of the Project (total envelope of the 4 MEUR) intended for feminist CSOs from the Global South (Organizations receiving funding). The bidders to this call for projects are expected to submit a proposal detailing the mechanism for identifying, selecting and financing sub-project promoters in the Global South.

**The call for projects will be open to French, national and international NGOs, structured in a consortium. The composition of the consortium, its structure and the distribution of roles and responsibilities will need to be specified. The agreements concluded between members will be to be provided at the time of the appraisal. It is specified that AFD will sign an agreement** only with the consortium lead who does not have the legal power to represent (act in the name and on behalf of) the consortium members as part of the project signature: a complete diligence file is required only on the lead and only reputational diligence on the consortium members. It is possible for the consortium to enter into contracts with implementing partners beyond the consortium members, provided that the responsibility for expenses is borne by the consortium. Any contract between the consortium and implementation organizations in implementation countries outside the consortium will be considered as a service provision and will be subject to [AFD’s Procurement Directives in Foreign States](https://www.afd.fr/en/ressources/procurement-guidelines-afd-financed-contracts-foreign-countries). In the interest of efficiency in project management, bidders are nevertheless invited not to resort to multiple implementation services. The collaboration mechanisms must be clearly detailed in the project proposals and procurement procedures to be sent to AFD during appraisal.

**The local feminist CSOs that receive funding will be considered as grant recipients under retrocessions.** This financing does not generate profit.

* 1. Expected missions of the consortium

The selected consortium will have the following main tasks:

**>> Identify feminist civil society organizations in the countries targeted by region, active on the theme of the project**: in its offer, the consortium will be able to identify organizations from countries with which it is already a partner or that it would seem relevant to associate with the mechanism. However, bidders are not expected to establish a final list of CSOs to be funded at the proposal stage. On the contrary, the objective of this call for projects is to capture local feminist CSOs in all their diversity, whether formally constituted or not, traditionally far from funding, with particular attention to youth movements, little or not identified in the usually funded projects.

To this end, at the beginning of the project, a diagnosis will be presented - to be carried out or refined if it has already been done upfront - in order to specifically establish the local actors and their needs, the existing financing structures and arrangements and to calibrate the fund and the funding allocation methods. If a similar diagnostic work already exists, it will be updated as part of this project, taking into account the preparatory mapping study carried out prior to this Call (see annex), which notably includes the identification of local CSOs working in this field in the countries covered.

The consortium will define in its methodology the framing elements resulting from the diagnosis as well as the general criteria that will be used to select local feminist CSOs, the geographical scope in which it would seem relevant to invest (distribution of funding) based on the list of pre-identified countries, and the levers or thematic sub-sectors on which it plans to work more specifically.

**>> Inform and communicate with local feminist CSOs**: inform the potential fund recipient organization especially those furthest from funding, of FSOF funding through a broad communication. Particular attention may be paid to multilingual communication to facilitate identification and appropriation. All the necessary actions will be deployed to support local CSOs in responding to funding and support opportunities.

**>> Finance the projects of feminist civil society organizations on the theme in the targeted countries, and ensure the proper execution of funding.** The lead CSO will be responsible to AFD for the accounting and financial management of the project and will produce technical and financial reports, as well as learning from monitoring-evaluation and capitalization. It will control the quality of the interventions, guarantee the overall thematic and financial coherence of the projects, and as such each consortium will be responsible for the proper completion of the financial audits.

Beyond the financing of one-off projects (carried out by local CSOs), where relevant, each consortium is expected to promote, **at the regional or multi-country level, the deployment of strategic activities with a transformational aim** (carried out by its members and/in coordination with/or by the local CSOs receiving the funds), such as for example thematic joint advocacy campaigns.

**>> Strengthen the capacities of feminist civil society organizations in targeted countries** in areas that will allow them to enhance their quality of intervention, technical capacity and advocacy, structure their actions, gain visibility, to learn from the experiences and knowledge of the members of the consortium and other beneficiaries of the funds. Capacity building plans will be jointly developed and monitored. In this context, the financing of structural costs for local feminist CSOs may be authorized.

**> Lead the work and activities of sharing and capitalization of the project**: support collaborations, exchanges, links, synergies at local, regional, national and transnational levels between feminist civil society organizations and women’s rights defenders, sharing of knowledge, organization of regional seminars etc.

It is also expected that the CSO head of the consortium will plan mobilization and activities to promote dialogue and the sharing of good practices: in particular, plan ways to reach out, during the project, at least once in the areas targeted by the call for projects.

**>> Support operational research in the Global South and the production/dissemination of knowledge from a feminist and innovative perspective**, highlighting the transformative action of local feminist CSOs and thus strengthening the understanding of issues by public authorities and in civil society as a whole. In this context, each consortium is expected to promote the production of innovative media (such as audiovisual productions such as podcasts, documentary videos, etc.).

**>> Carry out advocacy actions at the local, national, regional and international levels** when relevant.

**>> Implement a strengthened monitoring and evaluation system**: the consortium will have to propose an adapted system that integrates the strategic dimension of gender and social transformation.

**>Define a communication plan and ensure its implementation**: the consortium will have to provide written information, photos, and videos that can be used by AFD in its public and/or internal communication on the project’s achievements, at least on the launch, intermediate, and finalization phases of the project. The specific modalities of public communication around the project will be subject to specific details as and when the project is implemented, depending on the sensitivity of the context, in such a way as to communicate without putting the final beneficiaries or operators at risk. In addition, proposals to promote the results of the project in the countries of intervention but also among French international cooperation actors will be encouraged.

The description and the role and responsibilities of the different members of the consortium will be clearly presented in each offer with regard to these different missions.

1. Administrative and financial aspects
   1. Disbursement, reporting and audit modalities

**The funds will be disbursed in several instalments based on payment requests transmitted by the CSO lead of each consortium based on the project’s progress (70% consumption of the previous instalment) and upon presentation of the latest technical and financial report and an annual audit to justify the expenses.**

**The successful candidate will indicate in its offer the terms for managing the funds** (payment methods to the CSO recipients of funding) and the audit procedures envisaged for the CSOs.

**The contractor must define a reporting system for activities:** ideally a quarterly summary report as well as a semi-annual report and an annual report.

* 1. Compliance, anti-money laundering and terrorist financing (AML-CFT)

**The awarding entity must carry out due diligence on the recipient CSOs that will be funded in order to ensure that AFD’s funding is not used for money laundering or terrorist activities** (AML-CFT due diligence). The fact that feminist CSOs are not registered as legal entities in their country of origin does not constitute a reason for ineligibility for grants, and carrying out the necessary procedures against them will be the responsibility of the consortium and not of AFD. The beneficiary will be asked to specify during the investigation the procedures and software used by each of the members or the wish to outsource these procedures to expert firms. In such a case, a proposal for terms of reference may be shared by AFD with the consortium selected to recruit this provider.

* 1. Calendar of activities

**It is expected in the proposal a description of the first activities envisaged for the first 6 months of the project**. These will notably cover:

* The diagnosis of specific CSO issues in the identified countries;
* The definition of a communication and capitalization plan;
* A concept note on the operational research mechanism;
* A presentation of the dynamics of mutual reinforcement between international NGOs, local feminist CSOs and research actors;
* Communication activities with local CSOs;
* Identification and funding of the first sub-projects.
  1. Modalities of dialogue with AFD

Regular meetings will be organized with AFD (country offices, regional directorates, technical divisions at Headquarters).

1. Expertise to be mobilized

The consortium will submit a team suitable for project management, with the following skills:

* Expertise and/or experience related to issues related to the prevention and fight against TFGBV, including awareness raising and education of populations in general and targeted individuals in particular, protection and support for victims (legal, psychological and technological aspects), production and dissemination of knowledge and advocacy with the authorities;
* Digital skills or ability to identify relevant providers, for the deployment of user training, advocacy and/or solution development;
* Experience in leading transformational gender-based mechanisms, in terms of a rights-based approach, using an inclusive approach that takes into account the factors of multidimensional inequalities;
* Previous experiences of partnering with feminist civil society organizations, networking and financing their activities;
* Capacities to deploy communication channels with local and community CSOs in various contexts;
* Skills in community and civil society organization capacity building, and identification of good practices;
* Prior experience in operational research / capitalization (intellectual production, south-south knowledge sharing) / in advocacy, influence and political action;
* Detailed knowledge of the ecosystems of the proposed intervention countries;
* Proven administrative and financial management capabilities across multiple and varied geographical areas;
* Operational capabilities / management of multi-stakeholder projects, including in remote intervention areas.

1. Selection – Validation of proposals

The quality of the technical offer will be assessed on the basis of the technical evaluation criteria detailed above (see article 10, table on selection criteria with scoring).

The proposals selection committee will evaluate and compare the proposals that have been found to comply with the planned provisions.

The scoring of proposals for each of the consortia at the selection stage will be based on 100 points.

Bidders are asked to provide a description of the responsibilities of the team members who will carry the project within each consortium in their bid, as well as the distribution of roles among the consortium members, and the budget details for coordination activities. The tenderers guarantee the qualifications and skills of the staff involved in the project as defined in their offer.

1. Provisional and expected schedule of the instruction

Provisional schedule:

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| **Steps** | **Provisional calendar** |
| Consultation meeting with CSOs | May 26, 2025 |
| Publication of the call for proposals | From June 18 to August 31, 2025 |
| Deadline for receipt of proposals | August 31, 2025 |
| Evaluation of the proposals and selection of the consortium | September 2025 |
| Granting of funding by AFD and signing of the agreement | Q4 2025 |
| Start of studies and complementary analyses: mapping and diagnostics of CSOs, communication, reference data collection etc... | T1 2026 |
| Identification and funding of the first sub-projects | Q2 2026 |

For the selected proposal, the lead organization will then be invited to continue the project appraisal, in close collaboration with the AFD Project team leaders, and will submit a final project note, validated by all parties. This final and complete proposal must incorporate any elements resulting from a dialogue with the AFD Project team leaders. On this basis, the Project team leaders will submit the project to the AFD’s project approval bodies. The appraisal phase will notably allow for:

* Specify the expected theory of change;
* Specify the operating procedure;
* Suggest concept notes for:
  1. Capitalization and operational research;
  2. Monitoring and evaluation;
  3. The identification and selection of local CSOs to receive funding;
* Finalize the administrative files;
* Prepare the financing agreement.

1. Annexes

Annex 1: Budget notice

Annex 2: Budget template

Annex 3: Model type of chronogram

Annex 4: TFGBV literature review

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2. Attach the organization's strategy document to the administrative file. This document is required to apply for a grant under a program agreement. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. Attach to the administrative file the list of persons authorized to sign the agreements and any other official document for the association. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. Attach the detailed list to the administrative file. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. A **politically exposed person (PEP) is** a person who holds or has held significant public office in a foreign country; for example, a head of state or government, a senior politician, a senior government official, a senior judge or military officer, an executive of a state-owned enterprise, or a political party official. Business relationships with *family members of a PEP or persons closely associated with them* present reputational risks similar to those associated with PEPs themselves. This term does not cover middle and lower ranking persons in the above categories. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
6. Full Time Equivalent. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
7. This amount should be equal to the total revenues reported in the association's income statement for the year. It is not necessarily equal to the sum of the public and private resources mentioned in the following columns. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
8. Include here all funds from public sources: grants and benefits, public funds from local, national and international sources, etc. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
9. Include all funds from private sources: grants from foundations or companies, bequests, donations, etc. [↑](#footnote-ref-10)
10. List here all private contributors who contribute 15% or more of the total budget of the CSO (with reference to the last annual accounts validated by the General Assembly). If it is a legal entity, provide the list of the members of the Board of Directors of this organization (name, first name, position and address) or if it is a natural person, provide his/her identity (name, first name, position and address). [↑](#footnote-ref-11)
11. *This refers, at a minimum, to the sanctions lists published by the United Nations, the European Union (EU), and the French government, and may also include, where applicable, other sanctions lists such as those of the United States government (including but not limited to those issued by the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), the U.S. Department of Commerce, the U.S. Department of State, or any other agency of the United States government).* [↑](#footnote-ref-12)
12. *Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs;* [↑](#footnote-ref-13)
13. *United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees ;* [↑](#footnote-ref-14)
14. *The competent national authority that may grant an exemption from screening is the one responsible for implementing French, EU, and UN sanctions measures. With respect to these three sanctions regimes, such an exemption may only be granted by the French Treasury Department (DG Trésor), to whom the CSO would need to submit a request to obtain it.* [↑](#footnote-ref-15)
15. *Alternative measures are only acceptable if the analysis of the CSO’s procedural framework has been deemed robust by AFD* [↑](#footnote-ref-16)
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