



European Union
Global Diaspora Facility

1ST CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT IN DIASPORA ENGAGEMENT

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION

Diaspora organisations in Europe, public authorities of partner countries and regional organisations are invited to apply for capacity development support in diaspora engagement for development.

General information

Deadline: 16 November 2020, 23:59 CET

Information of successful applicants: December 2020

Eligible applicants¹:

- Local/national authorities from partner countries in Africa, Asia, Eastern and Southern Neighbourhoods, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Pacific²
- Diaspora organisations and networks based in Europe (EU 27, Switzerland and Norway) and representing partner countries
- Regional organisations

Implementation period: 2021-2022

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¹ Applicants can team up with partners. More information in the section 'Who can apply' under page 2.

² Overseas countries and territories and pre-accession countries are not eligible.



Overview

As the first ever European Union (EU) funded project to take a global approach to diaspora engagement for development, the 2019-2022 [EU Global Diaspora Facility](#) (EUDiF) pilots approaches to increase collaboration and engagement between diaspora development organisations in Europe, partner countries and the EU.

EUDiF's [Capacity Development Lab](#) (CDL) aims to empower diaspora organisations in Europe and partner countries to enhance collaboration for development and improve enabling environments. To this end, via the CDL EUDiF provides **demand-driven, tailored and tangible capacity-development support** to test and enhance **innovative approaches** for diaspora engagement. We emphasise the **co-development** and **co-steering** of the Actions with the beneficiaries and partners to ensure the highest degree of **ownership, effectiveness and sustainability**. **Peer learning** is favoured to allow for exchange of knowledge, experience and practices as well as network-building.

EUDiF targets three capacity development levels of intervention: **individual** (skills, experiences and knowledge), **organisational** (procedures, structures and frameworks) and **enabling environment** (institutional, system and behavioural changes).

As a pilot project, the Capacity Development Lab will support a limited number of actions and ensure a geographic and thematic balance in line with the project's global scope.

Who can apply?

Main applicants	Partners
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diaspora organisations and networks established in Europe³ and representing a partner country/region• Public central and/or local⁴ authorities from partner countries in Africa, Asia, Eastern and Southern Neighbourhoods, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Pacific⁵• Regional organisations	<p>Applications may include other actors in the diaspora-development ecosystem as partners,⁶ as listed below. However, <u>the Action must be led by an eligible 'main applicant'</u>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Private sector• Civil society organisations• Academia

Note: We strongly encourage joint applications promoting multi-stakeholder collaboration (e.g. a diaspora organisation applying with its country of heritage; multiple diaspora organisations applying together for support building a network; cross-sector partnerships initiatives).

³ i.e. EU 27, Norway and Switzerland.

⁴ If the applicant is a governmental body at local level, a letter of coordination from a relevant central body must be part of the application package.

⁵ Except overseas countries and territories and pre-accession countries.

⁶ Partners shall be established in Europe or in a partner country.





Eligible areas

❖ **Area of intervention 1: Empowering diaspora organisations based in Europe**

Actions providing practical and operational support to professionalise and equip diaspora communities with skills and knowledge needed for stronger engagement in the development path of their countries of heritage.

❖ **Area of intervention 2: Supporting partner countries in enabling diaspora engagement for development**

Actions targeting public authorities from partner countries tailored to offer technical support and knowledge to design and implement effective policies, strategies and customised practices for diaspora engagement.

❖ **Area of intervention 3: Fostering multi-stakeholder partnerships in diaspora engagement**

Actions building partnerships, initiatives and networks for engagement between partner countries, countries of destination, diaspora communities and other stakeholders of the diaspora-development ecosystem.

Across the three topics, special attention will be paid to proposals that promote gender equality and empowerment of women as well as youth opportunities.

Eligible types of capacity development support (non-exhaustive list)

- Assistance in drafting legislation and by-laws supporting enabling environments;
- Development of diaspora investment-related strategies or other policy documents;
- Support to the development of training manuals, curricula and handbooks;
- Assistance in developing standard operating procedures, guidelines, etc.;
- Gaps and needs assessments, analysis and review of specific policies, and legal framework;
- Evaluation of institutional structures, policies, etc.;
- Thematic seminars, workshops, training and information exchange sessions; Exchanges between diaspora organisations willing to learn from each other;
- Study visits;
- Data sharing methods and tools;
- Development of methodologies on data collection;
- Support to the development of information and awareness-raising campaigns;
- Visibility activities and communication-targeted.

Non-eligible support: equipment (soft or hard), grants, material support for premises.

Possible delivery methods

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The method to deliver capacity development support will depend on the level of intervention: individual, organisational or enabling environment.

As a general approach, peer learning will be favored to allow for exchange of knowledge, experience and practices as well as network-building.

For actions at **individual level** aimed to increase technical skills, EUDiF might draw on conventional methods like classic classroom trainings, workshops, study visits, technical expertise, self-training etc. Considering the impact of the Covid-19 and travel restrictions, EUDiF will consider applying blended methods for learning solutions where relevant (i.e. mix of e-learning and face-to-face interactions).

For actions at **organisational level** oriented to improve management and leadership skills, accompanied methods such as coaching, mentoring, policy consultancy, working groups etc. could be suitable.

For actions at **enabling environment level**, which should generate conditions and system changes for better engagement, capacity development support could be delivered via policy development and policy advice, support to strategic planning, fora, conferences, or networking.

Selection process and criteria

The EUDiF project steering committee - consisting of ICMPD and DG DEVCO - after consultation with relevant stakeholders, will select a limited number of actions, ensuring a thematic and geographic balance.

The following two-step selection process will be used:

Step 1 Eligibility test	Step 2 Evaluation of the application
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Eligibility of the main applicant and partners (if any)2. Eligibility of proposal (i.e. submitted as per the instructions and using the form provided)	Weighted-scored system based on selection criteria, as described below in the table



Eligible applications will be evaluated against five criteria.

Relevance	Feasibility	Coherence	Sustainability	Impact
(max. 20 points)	(max. 20 points)	(max. 20 points)	(max. 20 points)	(max. 20 points)
Justification of the need, which shall be in line with the applicant's priorities.	Justification that the Action can be achieved within the proposed timeframe, means available and local context.	Demonstration that the Action builds on or amplifies relevant past or ongoing initiatives (if any), avoiding duplications	Demonstration of the ability to bring and sustain long-term results.	Measurable outcomes and ability to bring innovation ⁷ for the targeted topics and beneficiaries.

Submission of applications

To apply, click the button **'Apply'** on the [EUDiF website](#). This button generates an Application Form to be filled in online. A practice version of this form is annexed to this document. It covers all the questions in the online form, such as contact details and summary of the action, details of the action (including objectives, activities and results) and an analysis of the selection criteria.

To prepare your application, we recommend using the practice form below. Once you are happy with your draft application it can then be submitted online. Note that it is not possible to begin an application online and edit it later. We strongly recommend preparing the application in advance. Only applications received via the online form will be considered. Each applying institution may submit one application.

EUDiF accepts applications in English, French, Spanish, Russian or Arabic.

In the selection process, the criteria outlined above will be strictly applied. Applicants are therefore encouraged to complete the application in a clear and detailed manner.

All applicants will receive an automated system response, confirming the application has been received.

EUDiF processes any personal data in line with the [EU General Data Protection Regulation](#).

⁷ Innovation is defined as the application of solutions that meet new requirements or existing needs within a specific context and which lead to creating access to new services and/or have the ability to change systems as well as behaviors.





Contact

Should you encounter a problem when submitting your application, please contact the project team at EU-diaspora@icmpd.org.

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Practice Application Form

Capacity Development Lab

Note: this practice version of the Application Form is meant to help you prepare your application for submission online. **All applications must be submitted via the EUDiF Website.**

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* Required field

I. Contact details of the applicants and partners

Contact details of the main applicant

1.1 Name of the institution: *

1.2 Type of institution: *

Diaspora organisation or network established in Europe and representing a partner country

- Country/region of heritage (* only if 1.2.1 is chosen):
- European base (* only if 1.2.1 is chosen):

Public authority from a partner country

Central authority (* only if 1.2.2 is chosen)

Local authority (* only if 1.2.2 is chosen)

Regional organisation

1.3 Brief description of the main applicant *

Up to 1000 characters

1.4 Date of establishment of the institution: *

1.5 Address: *

1.6 Telephone: *

1.7 Email: *

1.8 Website:

Contact person details:

1.9 Name: *

1.10 Job title: *

1.11 Telephone: *

1.12 Email: *

1.13 Are you applying with a co-applicant? *

Yes

No

If answer is YES, please provide same information as for the main applicant (Questions 1.1 to 1.12).

Up to 1000 characters

1.14 Are you applying with a partner? *

Yes

No

If answer is YES, please provide same information as for the main applicant (Questions 1.1 and 1.3-1.12).

Up to 1000 characters

II. Summary of the Action

2.1 Which area(s) of intervention will be addressed by the Action? *

To empower diaspora organisations based in EU

To support partner countries in enabling diaspora engagement

To foster multi-stakeholder partnership in diaspora engagement

2.2 In what region/country will the Action be implemented? *

2.3 Executive summary of the Action. *

Up to 2000 characters

For Sections 3 and 4 please pay special attention to “Guidelines for Application”

III. Details of the Action

3.1 Define the key and specific objectives of the Action. *

Up to 1000 characters

3.2 What are the expected short, medium and long-term results of the Action? *

Up to 2000 characters

3.3 Define the target group(s)/target sector(s) that will be addressed and/or benefit from the Action. *

Up to 1000 characters

3.4 Describe the series of tasks and activities, including the timeline associated with the Action.*

Up to 1000 characters

3.5 Describe the role of the main applicant(s) (and partner(s) if any). *

Up to 1000 characters

3.6 What challenges do you anticipate? *

Up to 2000 characters

IV. Selection criteria

Relevance

4.1 What needs in diaspora engagement for development will the Action address? Provide a sound analysis of the needs. Explain why this/these issue/s were selected over others, and how the Action fits within your mandate and the mandates of possible partners involved. *

Up to 2000 characters

Feasibility

4.2 Assess the feasibility of the Action considering the timeframe, means and local context. *

Up to 2000 characters

Coherence

4.3 Explain how the Action complements past or ongoing initiatives and builds on lessons learned. *

Up to 2000 characters

Sustainability

4.4 Describe the aspects of the Action that ensure its long-term sustainability. Explain how the results will be sustained beyond the lifetime of the project. *

Up to 2000 characters

Impact

4.5 State the innovative aspects of the Action. *

Up to 2000 characters

5.1 Additional remarks (optional)

Up to 1000 characters

Thank you for your interest in EUDiF! Best of luck with your application!

If you have any questions related to the application form or the CDL in general, please contact:

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