



# Women's Peace & Humanitarian Fund

A United Nations & Civil Society Partnership



Online Information Session – 22 January 2025  
Call for Proposals - Ukraine

# Agenda

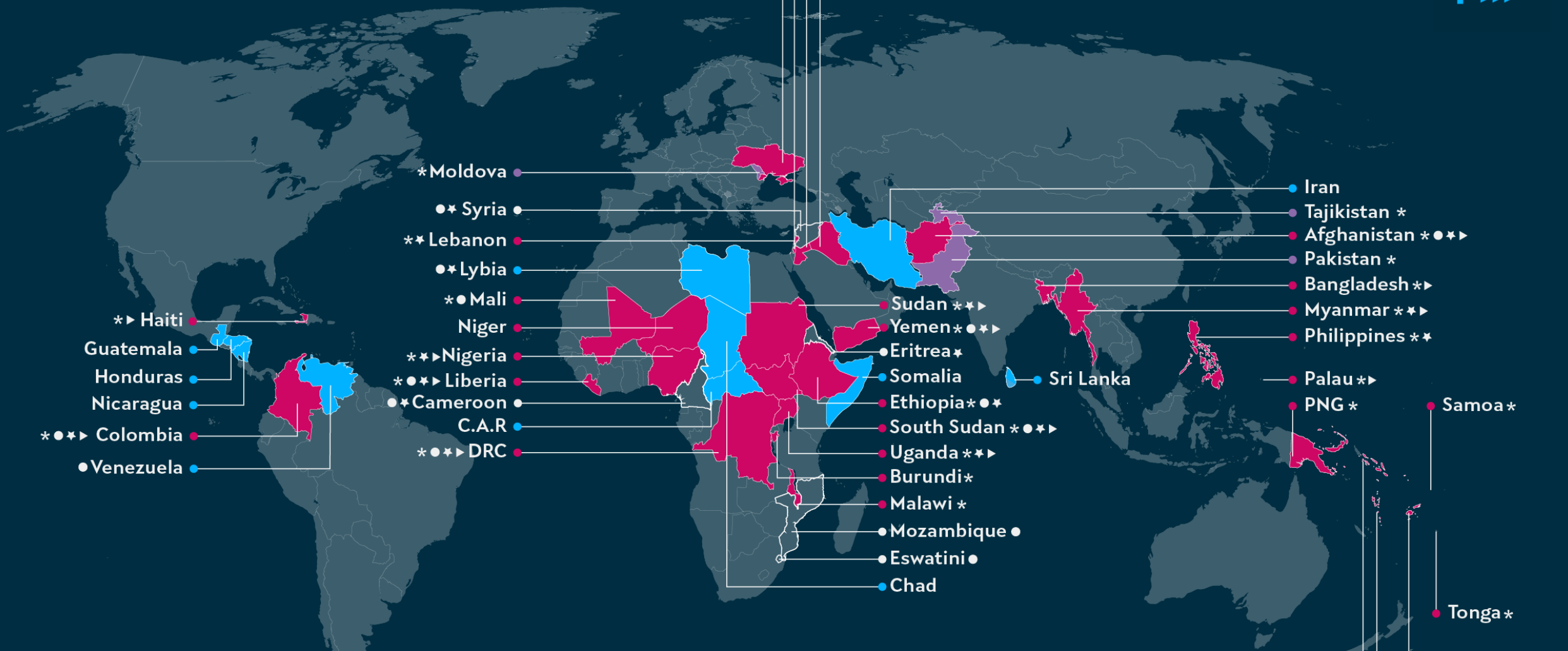
- **Part One** – About WPHF
- **Part Two** – Overview of Call for Proposals
- **Part Three** – Q&A





## About the Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF)

- Multi-donor Trust Fund established in 2016 - a global partnership between UN agencies, Member States and civil society
- Funds local, grassroots women's civil society leaders, peacebuilders, WHRDs, and their organizations in conflict, post-conflict and humanitarian settings
- Grants ranging between 2,500 to 200,000 USD for a max of 24 months.
- Enable CSO partners to connect, strengthen their networks, share best practices, and develop their skills and capacity through a Global Learning Hub (L-Hub)



- Ukraine \*\*
- Palestine \*●▶
- Jordan \*▶
- Iraq \*
- \*Moldova ●
- \* Syria ●
- \*\* Lebanon ●
- \* Libya ●
- \*● Mali ●
- Niger ●
- \*\*▶ Nigeria ●
- \*●▶ Liberia ●
- \* Cameroon ●
- C.A.R ●
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- Guatemala ●
- Honduras ●
- Nicaragua ●
- \*●▶ Colombia ●
- Venezuela ●
- Sudan \*\*▶
- Yemen \*●▶
- Eritrea \*
- Somalia ●
- Ethiopia \*●\*
- South Sudan \*●▶
- Uganda \*\*▶
- Burundi \*
- Malawi \*
- Mozambique ●
- Eswatini ●
- Chad ●
- Iran ●
- Tajikistan \*
- Afghanistan \*●▶
- Pakistan \*
- Bangladesh \*\*▶
- Myanmar \*\*▶
- Philippines \*\*
- Sri Lanka ●
- Palau \*▶
- PNG \*
- Samoa \*
- Tonga \*
- \*▶ Solomon Islands ●
- \*▶ Vanuatu ●
- Fiji \*▶

■ Active Countries  
■ Reserve List Countries  
■ Active through Regional Response  
\* Regular Funding Cycle  
● Rapid Response Window  
★ Women Human Rights Defenders Window  
▶ Covid-19 Window

# WPHF Key Numbers (Since 2016)

Country/Multi-country Allocations

**46**

Total Funds Mobilized

**\$ 263 million**

Approved grants

**732**

CSOs Supported

**1,452**

**87%** women's rights/led  
**8%** youth focused/led

First-time UN-funded CSOs

**43.4%**

Direct Beneficiaries (cumulative)

**5 M** (74% women & girls)

Indirect Beneficiaries

**45 M**



# WPHF Governance

- Global Funding Board:
  - 4 donor Member States  
*(currently Germany, the United States, France and the United Kingdom)*
  - 4 UN Entities  
*(currently UNFPA, UNHCR, UN Women and PBSO)*
  - 4 Civil Society Organizations  
*(currently Politics4Her, Women for Women International, She's the First and Reach Out Cameroon)*
- National Steering Committees (NSCs)
- Management Entity for CSOs (UN Country Offices)
- WPHF Global Secretariat





# WPHF Funding Windows Overview



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## Regular Funding Cycle

WPHF's **largest funding mechanism**, the Regular Funding Cycle, supports **local women's civil society organizations** by funding:

- Their **programmatic** work on women, peace and security and humanitarian action (max. USD 200,000), and
- Their organizations, through flexible **institutional** funding (max. USD 30,000)

Organizations can apply via country-based, time-bound Calls for Proposals.

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## Rapid Response Window for Women and Peace Processes

The Rapid Response Window (RRW) supports **women peacebuilders and women's rights civil society organizations** to enhance women's meaningful participation/influence in **formal peace processes** (Track 1 & 2) and the implementation of **peace agreements**, through:

- **Direct** logistical and/or technical **support** to individuals and CSOs (max. USD 25,000), and
- Small, **short-term grants** to CSOs for strategic and urgent interventions (max. USD 100,000)

Women peacebuilders and Women's rights CSOs can apply via a global application process on a rolling basis.

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## Window for Women Human Rights Defenders

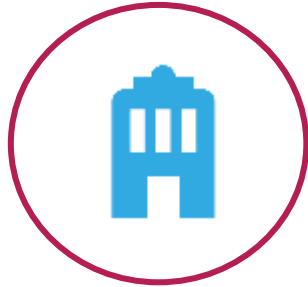
The WPHF Funding Window for Women Human Rights Defenders supports **individuals** from/working in crisis and conflict affected countries who work for the promotion of human rights and inclusive peace, via:

- Advocacy Support (Direct **logistical support**) to **influence** decision-making events. and
- Safety Net (Flexible **funding**) to cover **urgent safety and security** needs of at risk WHRDs (max. USD 10,000)

WHRDs - individual & delegations - can apply via a global application process on a rolling basis.

# WPHF Theory of Change and Results Framework

Contribute to more peaceful and gender equal societies



Impact Area 1:  
Enabling  
Environment  
for WPS



Impact Area 2:  
Conflict  
Prevention



Impact Area 3:  
Humanitarian &  
Crisis Response



Impact Area 4:  
Conflict  
Resolution



Impact Area 5:  
Protection of  
Women & Girls



Impact Area 6:  
Peacebuilding &  
Recovery

Institutional Funding

Global Learning & Building Coalitions

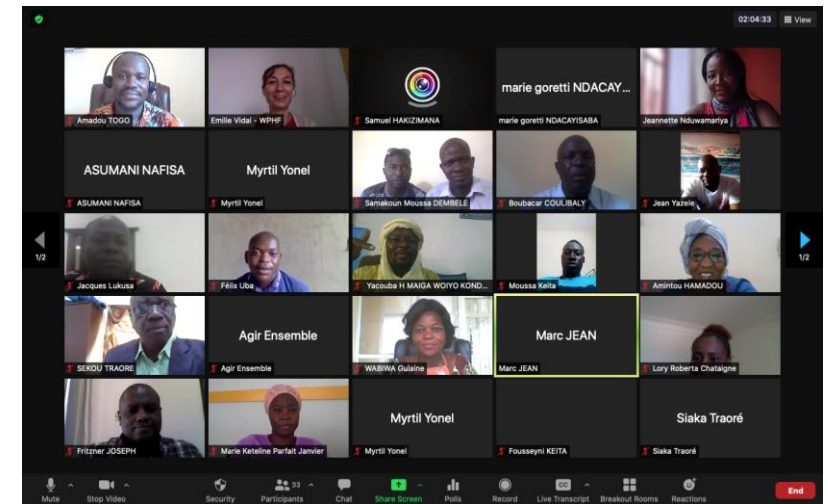
WPHF significantly contributes to local civil society organizations' increased participation in women peace and security and humanitarian processes



# WPHF Global Learning Hub (L-HUB)

Building Community, Capacity & Knowledge Exchange for our Partners

- **Global Learning Hub (L-HUB)** established in April 2020 to support WPHF CSO partners at the local level working at the forefront of conflict and crisis.
- **Objectives:** to enable CSO partners from across the world to connect, strengthen their networks, share best practices, and develop their skills and capacity.
- **Key Initiatives:** the **Capacity Building Programme**, the **Peer Exchange Series**, the **Facebook Group** and **email monthly updates**.
- **Channels:** digital repository of resources, email list and email monthly updates, and safe Facebook Group.





# WPHF Call for Proposal – Ukraine

# WPHF Ukraine Call for Proposals

## WPHF's Impact Area 3 – : Humanitarian & Crisis Response

- ▶ Enhanced participation and leadership of women in humanitarian planning and response.

## WPHF's Impact Area 5 – Protection of Women and Girls:

- ▶ Enhanced safety, security and mental health of women and girls and their human rights respected.

Through:

- ▶ **Programmatic** funding, with grants ranging from **USD 30,000 to 250,000**.
- ▶ **Institutional** funding, with grants ranging from **USD 2,500 to 30,000**

**An organization (lead applicant or co-implementing partners) can submit one application for institutional funding, AND/OR one application for programmatic funding (for one of the two impact areas).** Applications to more than one impact area will not be considered.

## Key Information:

- ▶ Deadline for submitting applications:

**12 February 2025**

- ▶ **Application package MUST include:**

- WPHF proposal template
- Proof of valid legal registration or status of lead organization

- ▶ Send application package to:

**[WPHFAPPLICATIONS@UNWOMEN.ORG](mailto:WPHFAPPLICATIONS@UNWOMEN.ORG)**

- ▶ Questions about this CfP: [wphf.cfp4@gmail.com](mailto:wphf.cfp4@gmail.com)



# Key Documents



**Call for Proposal Document:** [English](#), [Ukrainian](#)

## Templates

- **Impact Area 3 Proposal Template** (download): [English](#), [Ukrainian](#)

OR

- **Impact Area 5 Proposal Template** (download): [English](#), [Ukrainian](#)

AND/OR

- **Institutional Funding Proposal Template** (download): [English](#), [Ukrainian](#)





# Key Points to Remember When Preparing Your Application

- **Geographic scope:** Ukraine. Multi-country projects, or projects outside the geographical focus will NOT be accepted.
- **Timeline:** CSOs can apply for a project duration of maximum 1 years (12 months).
- **Type of CSO eligible to apply:** National, regional local/grassroots women or young women led, women's rights, youth rights, feminist, or civil society organizations with a proven track record working with women, young women and girls.
- **Consortia/partnerships:** WPHF encourages partnerships between organizations. One CSO will apply as the main organization, while others will be implementing partners.
- **Legal registration:** Only the main applicant needs to submit proof of legal status in the country in which it was obtained.
- **Maximum budget:**
  - \$250,000 for programmatic funding.
  - \$30,000 for institutional funding.
- **Language of application:** English or Ukrainian

# Common Mistakes to Avoid



## How can I ensure my application is strong?

- Ensure the proposal is **original** and not plagiarized.
- Follow **evaluation criteria** outlined in section 8 of the terms of the Call for Proposal.
- Submit **proof of legal status** for the main organization.
- Ensure all proposal sections are **complete**.
- Do **not exceed the maximum budget** for each type of funding.
- Ensure geographic scope is limited to **Ukraine**.
- Project duration should not exceed **12 months**.
- Use the **correct proposal template** based on the impact and funding type requested.
  - For programmatic funding; requests for **more than one impact area will not be considered**.
- **To be considered:** If an organization (lead applicant or co-implementing partner) is receiving institutional funding from WPHF, you can apply for programmatic funding as part of this call for proposal. Likewise, if an organization (lead applicant or co-implementing partner) is currently receiving programmatic funding from WPHF, you are eligible to apply for institutional funding as part of this call for proposal.
- Organizations (lead applicant or co-implementing partners) who are currently receiving programmatic and/or institutional funding from WPHF must ensure their current project will be closed prior to receiving funding as part of this call for proposal, i.e. organizations cannot be double funded. If a CSO has a Partnership Agreement with UN Women which is not funded by WPHF, you can apply.



# Key Points to Remember After Applying



## What to Expect During the Selection Process?

- **Longlisting and Shortlisting:** The first step in the selection process assesses whether your proposal meets the minimum criteria. Applicants who meet these requirements will move to the next stage for a technical review.
- **Selection by the Regional Steering Committee (RSC):** All shortlisted proposals are presented to the RSC, which will review and approve the project selection. Only selected CSOs will be notified by UN Women
- **Proposal and Budget Finalization:** UN Women will work with the selected CSOs to finalize their work plans and budgets.
- **Grants Awarded to Partners:** As the managing entity, UN Women will conduct a capacity assessment based on risk to initiate a partnership agreement with the selected CSOs.
  - *Please see section 9 of the Call for Proposal for full details.*

# Useful Resources



- ▶ WPHF website: [www.wphfund.org](http://www.wphfund.org)
- ▶ Impact and Indicator tipsheet: Impact Area 3: [English](#), [Ukrainian](#)
- ▶ Impact and Indicator tipsheet: Impact Area 5: [English](#), [Ukrainian](#)
- ▶ Impact and Indicator tipsheet: Institutional Funding: [English](#), [Ukrainian](#)

**Where can I access all the information about the call?**

<https://wphfund.org/call-for-proposals-in-ukraine-4/>

# Questions and Answers (Q&A)



Thank You!