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Call for Proposals: SEE BEYOND

Information and criteria

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Application platform – English

https://framaforms.org/call-for-proposals-see-beyond-1783691752

Application platform – French

https://framaforms.org/appel-a-candidatures-see-beyond-1783438070

I. Project Overview

The Mediterranean Women's Fund (ffmed) is launching this call for proposals as part of the SEE BEYOND project. This call is aimed at organizations working to prevent and combat gender-based violence.

SEE BEYOND is a three-year project co-funded by the European Union (EU) under the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) program, Daphne strand. It is implemented by a consortium comprising Calala Fondo de Mujeres, the Ecumenical Women's Initiative (EWI) and ffmed. The SEE BEYOND project is a continuation of the SEE CHANGE project (2024–2026), which was also co-funded by the EU.

The project seeks to strengthen the prevention of gender-based violence, improve protection and support for victims and survivors, and contribute to the effective implementation of Directive (EU) 2024/1385 on combating violence against women and domestic violence.

SEE BEYOND is based on feminist principles of trust-based grantmaking, recognising recipient organizations as experts in their own contexts. The consortium seeks to establish relationships based on dialogue, flexibility and mutual accountability.

The project is being implemented in several countries in Southern and Eastern Europe, with parallel calls for proposals launched by each consortium member in their respective areas of operation.

Members of the SEE BEYOND consortium	**Calala**	**EWI**	**ffmed**
Eligible countries	Spain	Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia	Albania, Croatia[1], Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy

II. Purpose of the call

This call aims to support projects that help to prevent and/or combat gender-based violence, including female genital mutilation, forced marriage, cyber-violences or sexual violences. Projects submitted may address one or both of the following specific objectives:

Objective 1: To implement actions for the protection and support of survivors of gender-based violence and domestic violence.

Objective 2: To implement actions for the prevention of gender-based violence, including cyber violence.

In addition to funding, the selected organizations will take part in capacity-building, networking, peer learning and advocacy activities. These activities may take the form of training courses or events, either online or in person.

[1] In the specific case of Croatian associations, only one application may be submitted, either to the ffmed or to EWI.

III. Who can apply?

To be eligible, the applicant organization must meet **all** of the following criteria:

- Be an officially registered non-lucrative organization in one of the eligible countries for the call for proposals, namely **Albania, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Greece or Italy**, and implement the project in one of these countries.
- Be a women-led organization, meaning that the governing body, board of directors or any other decision-making body is made up mostly or entirely of women.
- Be an organization whose guaranteed annual budget for 2026[2] is between €10,000 and €200,000.
- Demonstrate, through the organization's activities, a commitment to women's rights and/or feminist movements.
- Propose a project focused on preventing and/or combating gender-based violence, including female genital mutilation, forced marriage, cyber-violences or sexual violences.
- Respect EU values as laid down in article 2 of the Treaty on European Union and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of European Union.
- Activities of the project can not be subject to double funding from separate sources for the same eligible costs.

Certain organizations are **particularly encouraged to apply**. These criteria are not mandatory, but they will be taken into account when assessing applications. Priority will be given, in particular, to organizations that:

- Have limited or no access to bilateral funding of traditional EU funding streams;
- Have an annual budget of less than 50,000 euros;
- Have been in operation for less than 5 years;
- Are grassroots organizations working at the local, regional and/or national level;
- Work on gender-based violence and the intersection between gender and other forms of discrimination, such as race/ethnicity, migration status, domestic work, youth and/or disability;
- Are led by those most directly affected and by women from marginalised groups, in particular women with disabilities, rural women, migrant women, women of colour, members of the LBTQIA+ community, etc.;
- Demonstrate center survivors' well-being, safety and perspectives while protecting involved professionals; include GBV advocacy, including support for transposing Directive 2024/1385; and align with the organization's long-term strategy and contribute to sustainable, lasting impact.

IV. Activities eligible for funding

Proposed projects may include the following activities:

- Design and provision of services and measures improving access to victim support services and development of guidelines and manuals for these support services;
- Awareness-raising, in particular through social media or press campaigns, community outreach and empowerment activities, as well as artistic and cultural activities, including communication and information dissemination initiatives.

[2] The guaranteed annual budget includes all resources that have been secured or are in the process of being secured, provided they are formalised by a commitment.

- Capacity-building and training for relevant professionals and stakeholders, in particular through train-the-trainer programs and training initiatives led by national, regional and local authorities.
- Designing and implementing strategies and protocols, developing transferable working methods and tools, and coordinating platforms and groups.
- Identifying and exchanging good practices, fostering cooperation and mutual learning, and developing working and learning methods, including transferable mentoring programs.
- Development of resources, toolkits and handbooks designed to provide practical guidance to specialist support services.
- Analytical activities, such as research, as well as the creation and implementation of tools, databases, or data collection strategies and systems.
- Advocacy activities: strategic, evidence-based campaigns aimed at public authorities and institutional stakeholders[3].

V. Project duration

Selected projects must begin on **1 January 2027**, will last 24 months, and will end on 31 December 2028.

VI. Grant amounts

<table>
<tr><td>Minimum grant amount</td><td colspan="2">€20,000 (€10,000 per year)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Maximum grant amount</td><td colspan="2">€60,000 (€30,000 per year)</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="4">Grant threshold</td><td colspan="2">A maximum equivalent to twice the association's confirmed annual budget for 2026</td></tr>
<tr><td>Status of the organization</td><td>Possible grant amount</td></tr>
<tr><td>Guaranteed annual budget for 2026 between €10,000 and €50,000</td><td>€20,000 to €40,000</td></tr>
<tr><td>Guaranteed annual budget for 2026 between €50,000 and €200,000</td><td>€40,000 to €60,000</td></tr>
<tr><td>Co-funding</td><td colspan="2">No co-funding requirement.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Payment terms</td><td colspan="2">50% of the total project amount upon signing the contract
50% following approval of the interim report</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total budget for the ffmed call for proposals</td><td colspan="2">€720,000</td></tr>
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[3] In line with European Commission requirements for CERV-funded grant agreements, activities funded under SEE BEYOND may not include lobbying i.e., contractually mandated efforts to influence EU institutions or Members of the European Parliament on behalf of the Commission. This does not preclude grantees from disseminating project results, publishing policy recommendations, or engaging in consultations or dialogue with EU institutions as part of their own civil society activities.

VII. How to apply

Due to the high number of applications, please ensure you are eligible before submitting your application.
Applications must be submitted via the online form, accompanied by the supporting documents requested in the relevant section.

Attachments	Format	Mandatory
Budget (template provided)	Excel	☒
Project summary (template provided)	PDF	☒
Logical framework (template provided)	PDF, Word	☒
Proof of the organization's registration in a country eligible for the call for proposals	PDF	☒
Articles of association	PDF	☒
The organization's financial report for the year 2025	PDF, Excel	☒
Safeguarding protocol (compulsory if the project is likely to involve participants under the age of 18)	PDF, Excel	☐
Documents/protocols relating to the wellbeing of survivors, as well as the safety of professionals involved in the process	PDF, ZIP, RAR	☐
Any additional information you consider useful: leaflets, documents, press articles, etc.	PDF, ZIP, RAR	☐

Applications may be submitted **in French or English only.**
Please translate your supporting documents into French or English.

A Q&A is available to answer your questions; you can also contact us at the following address: seebeyond@medwomensfund.org

VIII. Timetable

Opening of the call for proposals	**13/08/2026**	Form
Presentation webinar (in **French**)	**8 September 2026**	Zoom registration
Presentation webinar (in **English**)	**8 September 2026**	Zoom registration
Deadline for project submissions	**15 October 2026**	Form
Publication of the assessment grids for all projects	**23 November 2026**	By email
Opportunity to appeal	**23 November 2026 – 4 December 2026**	By email
Announcement of final results and amounts awarded	**4 December 2026 – 15 December 2026**	By email
Signing of contracts	**4 December 2026 – 21 December 2026**	
Start of projects	**1 January 2027**	

IX. Project selection

The selection committee comprises six members of the ffmed, all of whom have experience in re-granting and in the prevention of gender-based violence. Each eligible application will be assessed separately by two people, using a defined assessment grid. In the event of a significant discrepancy between the two scores, a third person will be consulted to determine the final score.

In the event of a tie, priority will be given to organizations with the lowest annual income and limited access to funding bodies. The committee will also ensure an equitable distribution of funded projects across the eligible countries.

The ffmed reserves the right to award a grant lower than the amount requested following the selection process.

Organizations that are ineligible, or whose project does not meet the eligibility criteria, will receive a response, but their application will not be assessed and no assessment grid will be sent to them.

Eligible organizations will receive the completed assessment grid on 23 November 2026, along with the status of their application: accepted or rejected.

An appeals procedure is in place for this call for proposals. If you believe

1) that an irregularity has affected the assessment of your application, or
2) you wish to bring to our attention new information that may alter the assessment of your project,

you may lodge an appeal by 4 December 2026 by writing to seebeyond@medwomensfund.org with the subject line **'Appeal procedure'**. Only new information or irregularities will be taken into account. The committee will reply before the 15 December 2026.

Once the appeal procedure has been completed, the final grant amounts will be communicated to the organizations. The list of selected projects will then be published on the ffmed website and on the SEE BEYOND project website.

X. Data protection and checks

The information provided in the form will be used for the evaluation of projects. It may be accessed by the ffmed team and by duly authorised external evaluators.

The data collected will be treated confidentially and used solely for purposes relating to the selection, monitoring and, where applicable, implementation of the funded projects. Applicant organizations must inform all individuals whose names or personal data appear in the application, in accordance with the applicable regulations.

Key information concerning the selected projects and organizations may be published on the ffmed website and on the consortium's website, in the interests of transparency and institutional communication.

As the program is funded by the European Union, the granting authority, the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), the European Court of Auditors, the European Public Prosecutor's Office and any person authorised by them may exercise their rights of scrutiny, in particular through audits, reviews, on-site visits or investigations.