

Call for Applications: SEE BEYOND

Q&A

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I. Eligibility

Can I apply as an individual?

No, funding opportunities are available only to organizations registered in Albania, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Greece or Italy that carry out activities to combat violence against women.

Can I apply as a private company?

No, only non-profit organizations are eligible for funding under this project.

Can an informal or unregistered organization apply?

No, under this call for applications, only legally registered organizations may apply.

Can I apply in partnership with other organizations?

Yes, the project may be carried out in partnership with organizations or institutions. However, these partners will not be eligible for budgetary delegation: only the lead organization may manage and spend the budget.

Can I propose a transnational project?

Yes, provided that all the countries where the project is to be implemented are eligible and that you can demonstrate either previous experience in each of them or a strong local presence through reliable partnerships.

My organization's registered office is in a country that is not eligible for this call for proposals, but the project would take place in an eligible country. Is this possible?

No, the country in which the association is registered must be one of the eligible countries: Albania, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Greece or Italy.

My organization is registered in an eligible country. Can the project I wish to set up take place in a third country (whether eligible or not)?

No, projects must be implemented in whole or in part in the same country as the one in which the association is registered (see the question on transnational projects).

Can an organization submit multiple applications for separate projects?

No, only one application per organization is accepted.

My organization's annual budget for 2026 is over €200,000. Can I apply for the SEE BEYOND project?

No; the SEE BEYOND project is open only to organizations whose guaranteed annual budget¹ for 2026 is between €10,000 and €200,000.

My organization has received funding under the SEE CHANGE project. Can it apply for this new SEE BEYOND project?

Yes; previous funding received by your organization is not a factor that will be used by the selection committee to favour or disadvantage your application.

My organization has already received funding from the ffmed. Can it apply for this project?

Yes; whether your organization has previously received funding is not a factor that will be used by the selection committee to favour or disadvantage your application.

Can my organization apply simultaneously to the SEE BEYOND project and ffmed grant ?

During the application period: If your organisation applies for the SEE BEYOND grant, it cannot apply for any other ffmed funding until 15 December 2026.

If awarded the SEE BEYOND grant: Your organisation will not be eligible to apply for any other ffmed funding for the entire duration of the project, until 31 December 2028.

Can an organization that is already receiving European funding apply?

Yes; provided it complies with the budget ceilings set out in the call for applications.

However, the call for applications will give priority to organizations with an annual budget of less than €50,000 that have not previously received direct EU funding.

Can I propose a project where the beneficiaries are minors?

Yes; the ffmed does not set a minimum age for beneficiaries. If the project is likely to involve participants under the age of 18, the organization's safeguarding policy must be included as an annex to the application.

Can a recently established organization apply?

Organizations established less than five years ago are given priority. However, they must meet the financial criteria set out below:

Grant threshold	Maximum equivalent to twice the organization's guaranteed annual budget for 2026	
	Organization's status	Possible grant amount
	2026 annual budget between €10,000 and €50,000	€20,000 to €40,000
	2026 annual budget between €50,000 and €200,000	€40,000 to €60,000

¹ 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.

II. Application and project

Is it possible to adjust the duration of the project?

No, your projects must last 24 months, starting on 1 January 2027 and ending on 31 December 2028.

Does the project have to fall under Objective 1 or Objective 2, or can it combine both?

The project may fall under either of the two objectives or combine both. Combining the two is not a factor that the selection committee will favour or penalise.

Does the project have to relate to the activities mentioned in the call for applications?

Yes, the project has to relate to one or several of the activities listed and defined by the European Union.

Can the project be used solely to cover my organization's running costs?

No, your project cannot be used solely to fund the organization's running costs: it must include specific activities.

We do not set a maximum percentage for salaries or running costs, provided that the budget allocated to activities is reasonable, realistic and well aligned with the project's objective.

Does the project have to include on-the-ground activities involving direct contact with participants?

No, your project may include any type of activity as long as it helps to prevent and/or combat gender-based violence and fall under the activities listed.

In which languages can I apply?

We only accept proposals and reports in English and French, which will be the languages used for communication and reporting throughout the project.

Do the association's documents need to be translated into English?

Yes, we ask you to translate the mandatory annexes into French or English.

Some of the questions do not apply to my organization; how should I answer them?

Only questions marked with an asterisk * are compulsory.

Can my organization subcontract some of the activities?

No, the grant is intended for the implementation of activities by the selected association, not by third parties. Service providers may be engaged for specific, clearly defined tasks, but not for the outsourcing of all activities.

Can the fmed help me complete my application for this grant?

Due to the high number of applications and to ensure fair processing, we are unable to assist you with drafting the grant application. We will answer your questions during the webinars and by email at the following address: seebeyond@medwomensfund.org.

III. Budget

Does my organization need to provide co-funding for the proposed project?

No, co-funding is not required under this call for applications; co-funded projects will therefore not be given preferential or less favourable treatment during the selection process.

What is the difference between direct and indirect costs?

Direct costs are all those necessary for the implementation of the project. These may include salaries, training, consumables, venue hire, travel expenses, etc.

Indirect costs (7%) are the organization's costs that are not directly linked to the project, such as electricity, gas or water bills, office rent, etc. Indirect costs do not need to be itemised or justified.

What does the 'well-being' category in the budget mean?

The 'well-being' category of the budget covers expenditure aimed at safeguarding the health, work-life balance and working conditions of employees and those involved in the project. This may include, but is not limited to: psychological support, supervision, measures to prevent burnout or other well-being initiatives.

Can I add lines to the budget?

You can add lines to the budget, whilst retaining the budget chapters (Human Resources; Operational Costs; Other Costs; Indirect Costs) and the breakdown by activity.

What file formats are accepted for annexes?

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	☐

III. Evaluation process

What is the selection rate for this project?

The selection rate depends on the total number of applications, which we cannot predict. For information, during the previous phase ([SEE CHANGE](#)), 22 projects were funded by the fmed out of 89 eligible applications submitted, representing a selection rate of 25 per cent.

Who assesses the applications and how?

The selection committee comprises six fmed members with experience in re-granting and in the prevention of gender-based and sexual violence

Each application will be assessed separately by two people, using a defined assessment grid. In the event of a significant discrepancy between the two assessments, 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 a limited network of funders.

The committee will ensure a fair distribution of funded projects across eligible countries.

Can a review of the selection decision be requested?

An appeals procedure is provided for under this call for applications. If you believe that:

- 1) 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 within one week 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 within 7 working days.

Where can I find out about other funding opportunities that are currently available?

You can find other [funding opportunities](#) on the Mediterranean Women's Fund website.

Do you have any further questions?

You can write to us at seebeyond@medwomensfund.org