

**Youth Economic Empowerment in Palestine (YEP) as part of the EU-**

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**Deadline for submission 7th June**

**Answers to clarification requests**

<b>Nr.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Category question</b>	<b>Question</b>
1	09-May	Eligibility	We would like to have your confirmation that the lead applicant must be at the same time a private non profit + a Private Sector Umbrella Organization (PSUO).
2	11-May	Eligibility	<p>We are a non-profit entity (university), offering vocational programs (5 CCE's Processional Diplomas are accredited with the MoHE), and working closely with the local private sector through B-Hub. The Hub currently is leading a consortium of 4 university-based business incubators.</p> <p>Our intervention will offer an innovative approach for exposing students to the industry and increasing their opportunities for employment, simultaneously solving problems faced by employers – SMEs.</p> <p>Could we be considered eligible if we apply alone, without already providing the private partners (the private companies for our solutions will be selected in the course of implementation), and without a TVET partner (taking into consideration that we offer professional trainings ourselves)?</p>

3	16-May	Technical	Should all candidates be TVET graduates?
4	16-May	Technical	Can we implement one upskilling training and another reskilling training within the same proposal ?
5	16-May	Technical	In the ICT sector, the number of training hours must be at least 100 hours to ensure the quality of training outputs? technical and WBL are 70 training hours ?
6	16-May	Technical	Can we implement two technical trainings plus one digital marketing training?( total 3)
7	16-May	Technical	If training is proposed that includes the inclusion of a new technology in the financial field within private sector companies, but the service provider does not have recognition of the certificate submitted yet, can this training be included within the project? I'm not talking about the service provider, I ask about the training itself which is not yet accredited till now by the ministry of labour.
9	16-May	Submission	We have the financial reports for 2020 + 2021. Is it enough or do we have to bring 2022.

10	16-May	Eligibility	Can the co-applicant be a PRIVATE tvet center or NGO not only Governmental one.
11	17-May	Technical	Should the 21st Century Skills training be implemented with the innovation hubs that are supported by Enabel, or should we just contact the innovation Hubs to help in determining the topics and number of training hours?
12	17-May	Eligibility	Should all the service providers should be credited by MOL, even when the ICT service provider are companies?

13	17-May	Technical	Can we open Startups Track to support the sustainable micro-or small business?
14	17-May	Technical	The training under this call should lead to employment or self-employment, within 6 months after the training, Do you mean through WBL or after the program implementation is finished?
15	17-May	Technical/ Eligibility	Can we conduct the technical training by ICT service provider in cooperation with TVET center, where IT sector training needs equipment, curricula, training methods, and structure that are not customized in TVET center, to achieve the aim and the high quality from the technical training?
16	17-May	Technical	Through the re-skilling track, can we target beneficiaries from another previous project, to enhance their career path?
17	17-May	Technical	Should we conduct ToT training, where the trainer in the ICT sector does not need this training?

18	17-May	Technical	Are the target beneficiaries should be graduated from higher education and TVET center, where Through social inclusion you indicate Skills development training thus needs to cater to a range of groups and individuals such as women, persons with disabilities, NEETs (Young people Not in Employment, Education, or Training), so the target can have NEETs people without higher education or graduated from TVET center?
19	17-May	Technical	We noticed in the guidelines, the curricula should be accredited by the MoL, whereas I think the ICT curricula don't accredit by the Mall, so can we present the curriculum as it is?

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**Answer**

Please refer to section 2.1.1 in the guideline that are related to the applicant and co-applicant eligibility. The lead applicant must meet all mentioned 7 criteria. The same applies for the co-applicant.

Please refer to section 2.1.1 of the applicants' guideline and ensure that the applicant and co-applicant meet each of the required criteria. Additionally, it is a must to have a co-applicant along with the lead applicant.

No, please refer to section 2.1.3 of the applicants' guideline - Target group. Ensure that your target group meets the requirement of the targeted technical field.

Yes. The applicant can target either up-skilling or re-skilling or both in the same application. Please ensure to follow the guidelines and ensure that cost-ratio is realistic and meets the requirements of the call. Also, please pay attention to the expected results that shall be measured and met in the proposal.

To clarify, as per the guideline and section 2.1.3 - Type of activities, the number of **technical** training hours is expected to be between 30 and 70 hours. Other than the technical hours, an additional (at least) 30% of the total technical hours is expected to be added as WBL depending on the targeted field and the skills level of the target group. Please pay specific attention to the type of targeted training and the fact that upskilling youth may not need WBL as they are already employed and different arrangements may be proposed.

Yes, there is no limitation on the number of targeted trainings in the same application. However, it is expected that at least 2 curricula will be developed or updated per application.

The accreditation and certification are applicable to the co-applicant, not the training material/ curricula itself. However, it is an added value to have the curricula certified by the MoL, if possible.

We expect you to share the last two years financial reports and 2022 should normally be available. The two recent financial statements are required for a better understanding of the financial situation of an entity which in turn will lead to an accurate, and true structure cost percentage (Fixed cost / Total cost percentage). An absence of the 2022 Financial statements will require a justification.

Yes, as long as they meet the eligibility criteria. The TVET provider can be a Vocational Training Centre (VTC) or non-profit training providers or NGO that has a TVET center accredited by the MoL. In all cases, the TVET provider should be non-profit and accredited by the MoL.

Please refer to section 2.1.1 of the applicants' guideline. The co-applicant must meet all eligibility requirements which are:

The co-applicant must satisfy the admissibility criteria which apply to the applicant itself.

However, instead of the categories cited under “applicants” “(c), (f), (g)”, they must also belong to the following categories:

- a) Be a legal person; and
- b) Be a local non-profit private entity or a foundation; and
- d) Be established in Palestine; and
- e) Be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and not be acting as an intermediary; and
- h) The co-applicant must be a TVET provider , accredited by the Ministry of Labour

The 21st Century Skills training should be implemented in cooperation and through the innovation hubs. Therefore, we expect you - during the proposal writing stage - to discuss the number of training hours, the skills/ topics, and the budget with them already. This should be reflected in the proposal and budget.

Yes, as per the co-applicant eligibility section 2.1.1 of the applicants' guideline, the co-applicant should meet all criteria. The TVET provider can be a Vocational Training Centre (VTC) or non-profit training providers or NGO that has a TVET center accredited by the MoL. In all cases, the TVET provider should be non-profit and accredited by the MoL.



<p>No, this is not part of expected results/ actions of the call for proposal. Therefore, we can't accept any budget to be allocated for this.</p>
<p>Enabel will conduct a tracer study to track the employment status of the beneficiaries 6 months after the completion of the intervention/ project.</p>
<p>No, unless they meet the eligibility criteria. Based on the co-applicant eligibility, the co-applicant must be a not for profit TVET provider and accredited by the MoL. For more details on the eligibility, please refer to section 2.1.1 of the applicants' guideline.</p>
<p>Yes, if they meet the selection criteria and based on fair and clear selection process. The re-skilling should target beneficiaries (18-29 yrs) who are looking for a career shift or a new career path. Anyone who meets this initial criteria along with the other criteria as per the targeting strategy can be part of the project.</p>
<p>In our understanding, the youth you have targeted previously will be joining a training and working on the same field they have skills on. Therefore, if they are employed - with evidence- this can be an upskilling training instead. Please pay attention to the targeting strategy and the definition of the up and re-skilling paths and their target groups. For more details, please refer to the applicants' guideline section 2.1.3 - Target group-</p>
<p>Yes, ToT is required. It is one of the main required indicators to be achieved under this call for proposal. This can be an opportunity to train additional trainers and have your experienced trainer in an active role.</p>

As the number of technical hours is not many to educate and train un-edcated youth, we expect you to target university and TVET graduates for the reskilling, and employed youth for upskilling regardless of their education level .

The co-applicant must be accredited by the MoL. If the curriculum is accredited, this would be an added value but not a must.