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**Empowered Youth in Green Palestine
& SAWA II (Enhance Resilience of MSEs and Create
Sustainable Livelihood Opportunities in the Palestine)**

Call for Proposals:
EcoHack: Driving Green Innovation Through Hackathons

Online Information Session

Date: 18 September 2025
Reference: PSE22004-10069

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Agenda

- Introducing Enabel Team
- Projects Background
- Call for Proposals
- Application
- Questions and Answers

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Introduction Enabel Team



Enabel Team

- Project Manager GWB: Sireen Abu Jamous
- Project Manager SAWA II: Razan Habash
- Green & Circular Economy Expert: Katrien Heirman – SAWA II & GWB
- Local Economic Development Expert - Mazen Masoud – GWB
- Economic Resilience Expert - Rahhal Rahhal – SAWA II
- MEL Officer SAWA II: Ibrahim Al-Nabahin
- MEL Officer GWB: Abdelrazzaq Abu Mezeir
- Field Officer SAWA II: Ibrahim Al-Zinati
- Enabel Support Staff – Karmel Al-Salqan



GWB & SAWA II Projects Background



GWB Key Data

Enabel Portfolio: Empowered Youth in Green Palestine
Project: Green West Bank



Budget
€ 16.45M



Geographical Coverage:
West Bank



Implemented by:
ENABEL
Belgian Agency for
International Cooperation



Duration:
Mar 2022 – Jun 2027
64 months



Funded by:
Belgian
Government

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GWB Result Chain

General Objective:

“The Palestinian population makes use of the opportunities offered by a sustainable environment”

Specific Objective:

The conditions of the Palestinian ecosystems and their population are improved by reducing ecological footprint and GHGs emissions through the promotion of GCE and green urban areas, focusing on energy efficiency, renewable energy, and sustainable waste management

R1

A conducive environment for green and circular economy and for green cities is promoted at national and local levels

R2

Green and circular economy and entrepreneurship are supported in the selected value chains based on a market system approach

R3

Green cities in Palestine are promoted through resilient urban planning, green inclusive services, and green buildings, taking into account the needs of vulnerable groups (women and youth)

R4

Green cities and entrepreneurship for women as well as green and decent jobs for women and youth are promoted in the selected value chains

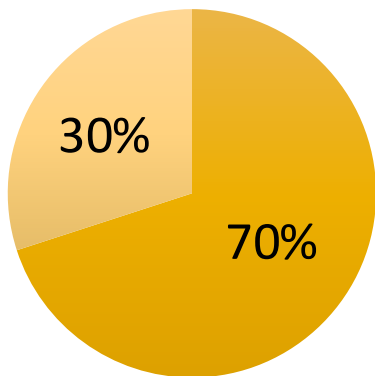


SAWA II Key Data

Project: SAWA II - Enhance Resilience of Micro-businesses and Create Sustainable Livelihood Opportunities in the West Bank and Gaza – Phase II



Budget
€ 6M



■ West Bank ■ Gaza



Implementing Agency:
ENABEL
Belgian Agency for
International Cooperation



Duration:
Nov 2024 – Dec 2027
39 months



Funded by: EU
European Union



SAWA II Result Chain

Overall Objective (Impact):

Contribute to enhancing the economic resilience in the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip

Specific Objective:

Competitiveness and sustainability of Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) in the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip are enhanced

Result 1:

Improved sustainable productive capacities of existing MSEs in the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip

Result 2:

Enabling frameworks for GCE are created and promoted in the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip



Call for Proposal



Call for Proposal Key Info

ECO HACK: DRIVING GREEN INNOVATION THROUGH HACKATHONS



1. CfP Objectives & Results

Overall Objective (Impact):

To contribute to supporting and strengthening the Palestinian economy in their transition towards Green & Circular Economy

Specific Objective:

To establish and promote enabling frameworks for the green and circular economy (GCE) while supporting GCE and entrepreneurship in the West bank.

Result 1:

Enabling frameworks for Green & Circular Economy are created and promoted in the West Bank

Result 2:

Participating entrepreneurs are capacitated in the themes of GCE and decent work principles. Entrepreneurship in Green & Circular Economy is supported.



2. CfP Outputs & Minimum Targets

55

Shortlisted ideas and solutions to environmental challenges to participate in a hackathon

33

Financially supported Ideas

100%

of entrepreneurs went through training on GCE, business development and entrepreneurship

85%

Entrepreneurs aware of the themes of Green Circular Economy and Decent Work principles

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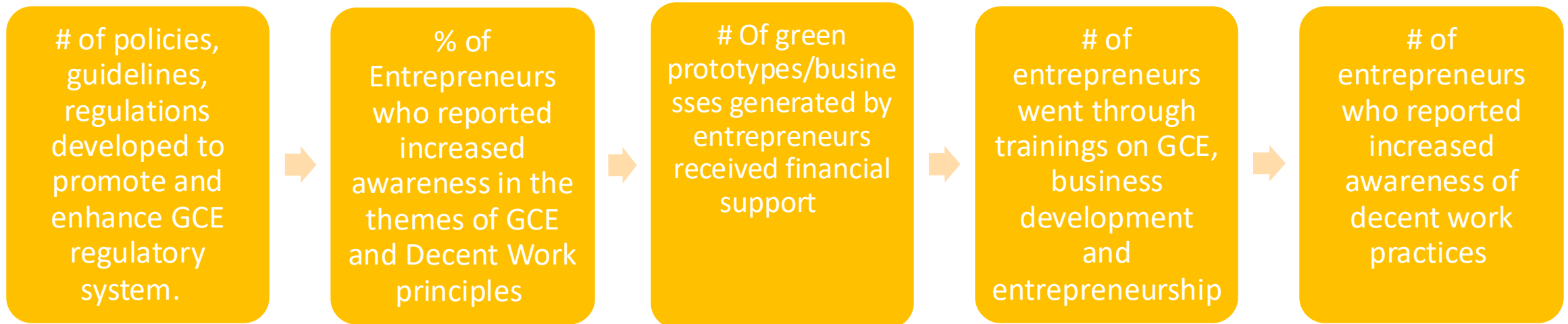
Business modeling toolkits developed

Target vs Budget Ratio i.e 450,000 EUR = minimum 100% of the targets



3. CfP Guiding Indicators

It is also expected that the proposal shall include additional indicators according to its own logic and structure.



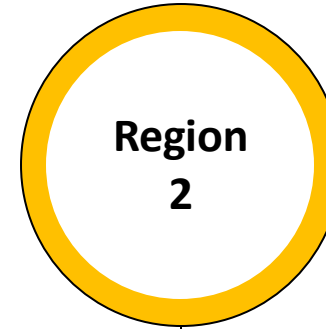


4. CfP Financial Allocation



**North and Middle
Governorates**

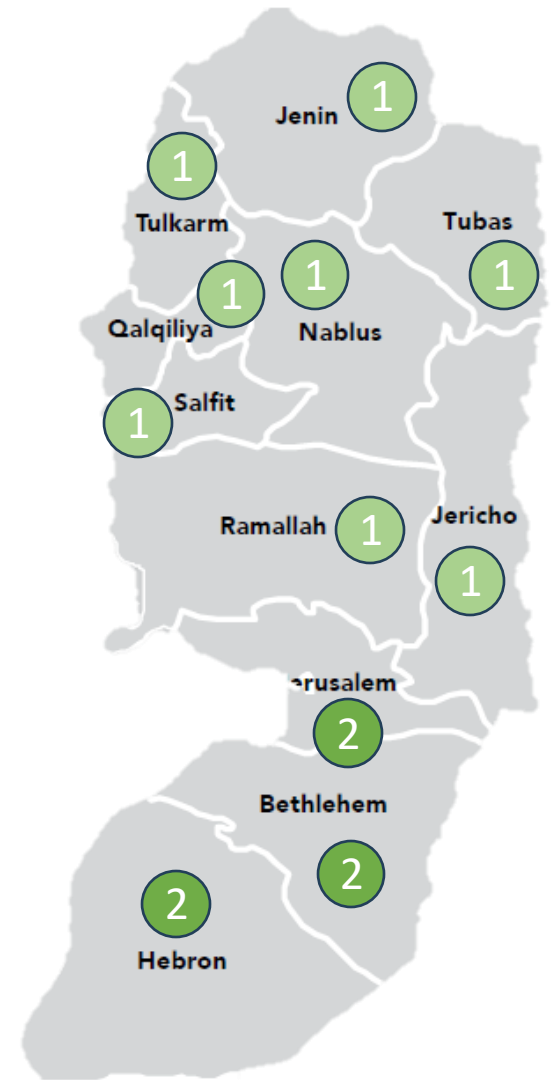
covering **at least one** of the following governorates Jenin, Nablus, Tulkarem, Qalqiliya, Salfit, Tubas, Jericho, Ramallah and Al-Bireh.



South Governorate

covering **at least one** of the following governorates Hebron **or** Bethlehem **or** Jerusalem

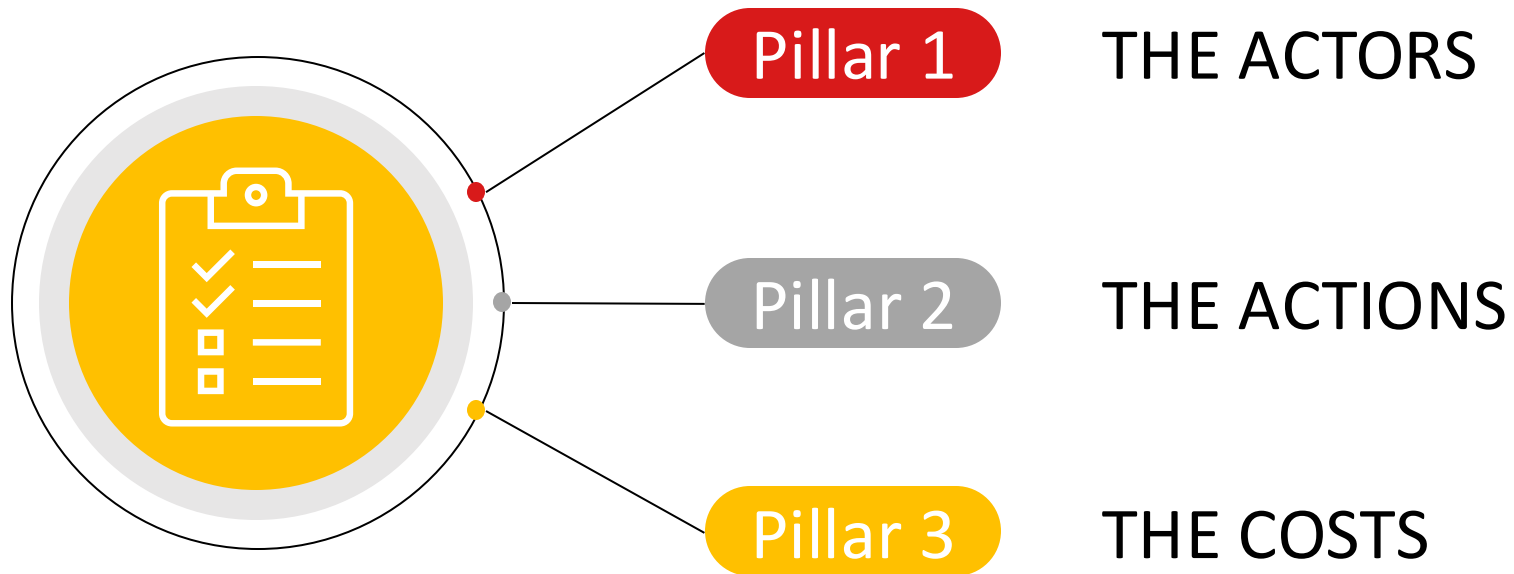
Grant Amount: Min €400,000 – Max €450,000





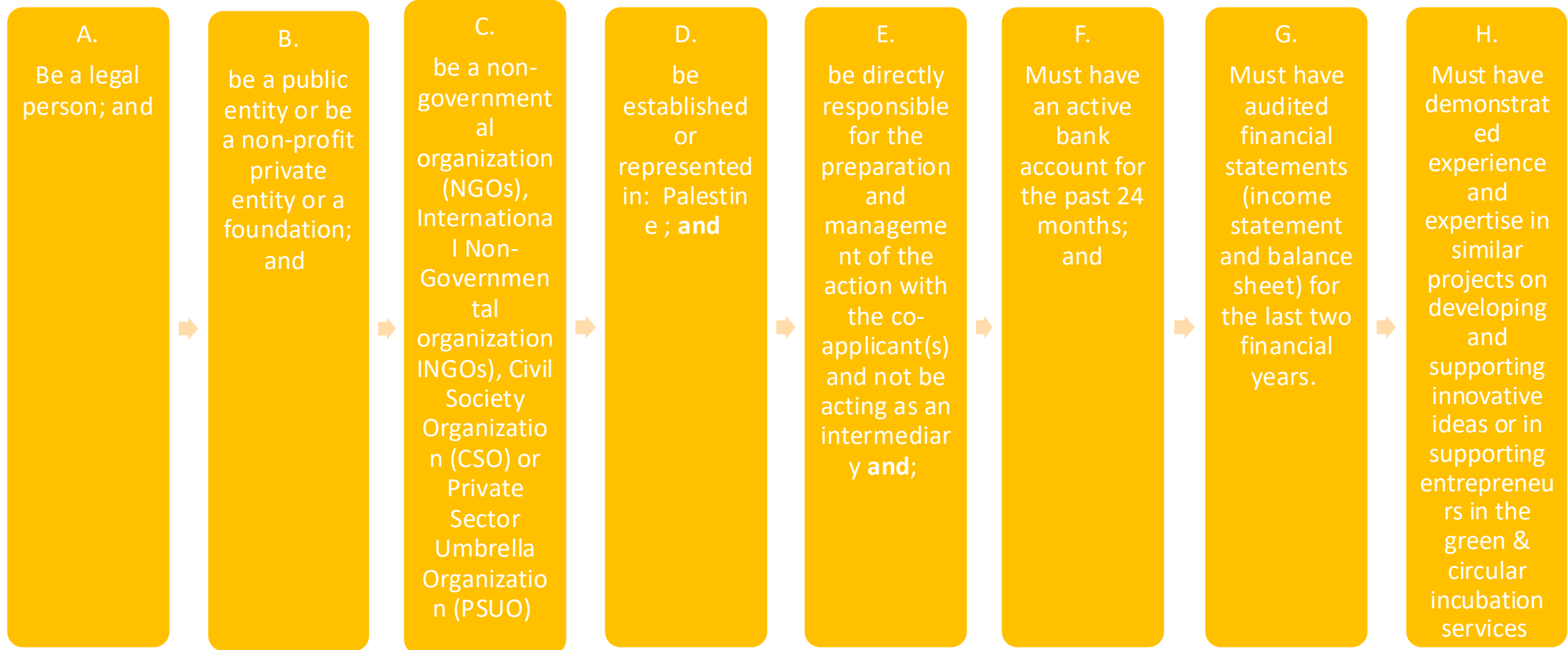
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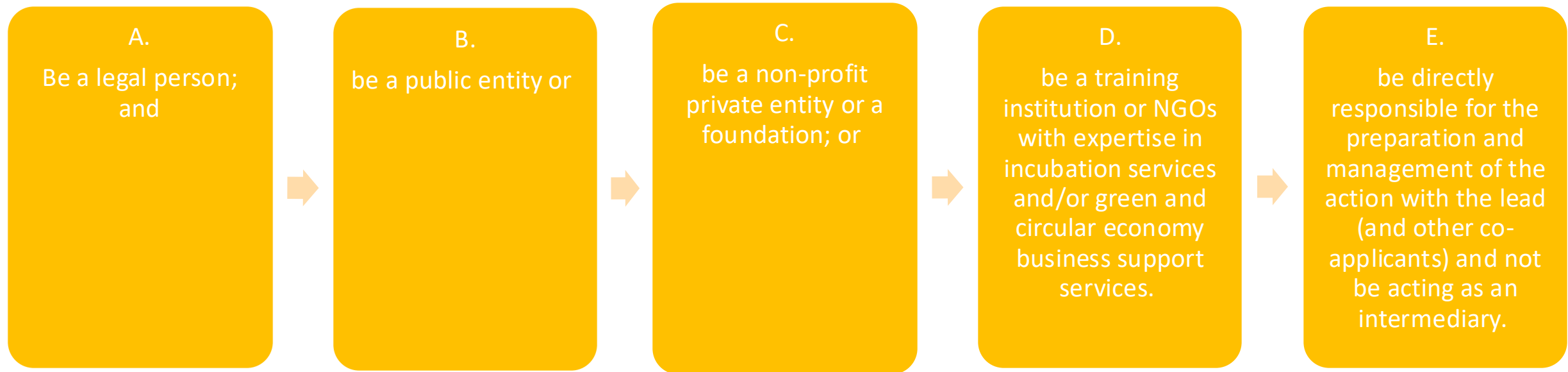


5.1 Applicant Admissibility Criteria





5.2 Co-Applicant Admissibility Criteria





6. CfP Duration

CfP Implementation Period

Min 16 MONTHS – Max 18 MONTHS



7. Sectors or Themes

1

Incubation of Green and Circular Solutions

Support the incubation of innovative ideas and solutions addressing environmental challenges identified in the updated SAWAI Green Mapping Study³

2

Innovation and Research & Development support

for creative GCE solutions of groups or entrepreneurs to be applied for their own ideas and/ or for **enterprises** in any related field.

3

Green services or green products in any sector that contributes to a potential solution to an environmental challenge and/or prioritizes environmental sustainability and aims to reduce the ecological footprint of production, processing, distribution, and consumption.



8. Target Groups

The final beneficiaries of this call for proposal are:

Groups of entrepreneurs with a minimum of 36% young entrepreneurs, ages 18-29 years old

Groups of green entrepreneurs and green innovators:

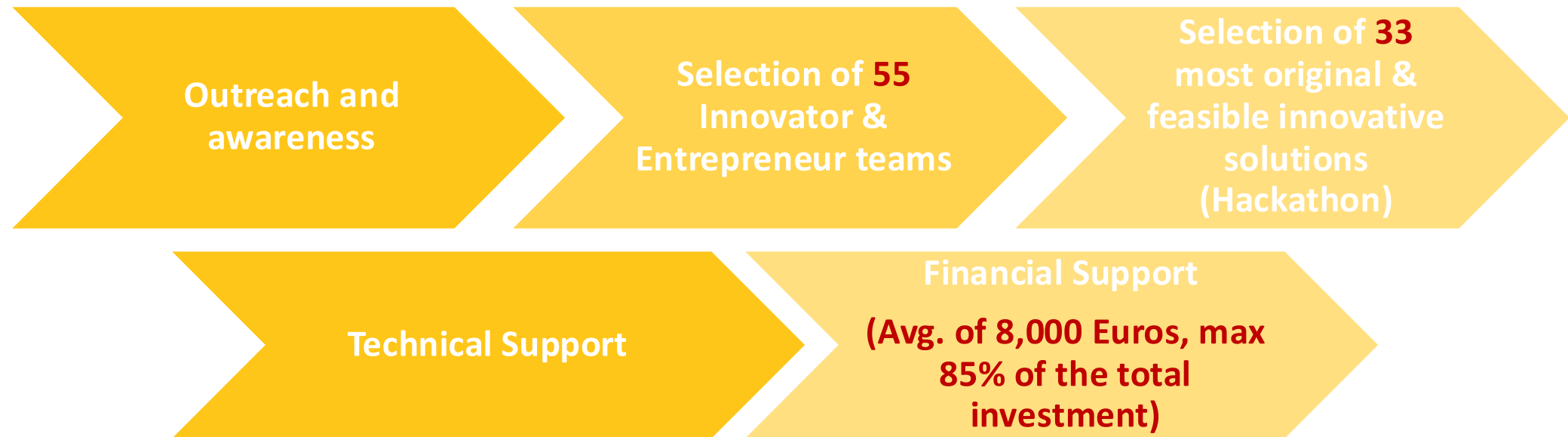
Teams providing well-planned Green and Circular Economy (GCE) Entrepreneurial solutions or joint ideas with local companies to handle some of the existing challenges, in any relevant sector

Priority for entrepreneurial solutions offered by women, youth and vulnerable groups with a commitment and strategy to involve them in implementation

Considering the large target number of entrepreneurs teams (55) and wide geographical coverage, the hackathon should preferentially be organized in at least 2 separate rounds in two separate locations, at least one in each of the regions above.



9. Type of Activities





10. Eligible & Ineligible Activities

ELIGIBLE Activities for Sub-Granting:

- Support for entrepreneurial ideas to grow and green.
- Costs that are necessary and indispensable costs to implement/develop the entrepreneurial ideas.
- Equipment and machinery.
- Raw materials and inventory
- Marketing and advertising
- Basic infrastructure can be considered after a technical needs assessment. Eg. replacement of outdated infrastructure due to a changing market or to introduce new technologies, greening of existing infrastructure.
- Rent and salaries can be approved on a case-by-case basis by the lead applicant but should never be the main objective of the seed fund.

INELIGIBLE Activities for Sub Granting

- Personal expenses: Grants are intended for business-related expenses and not for personal use or personal expenses unrelated to the business.
- Debt repayment: Funding is not provided for the purpose of repaying existing debts or loans.
- Purchase of personal assets: Funding is usually not granted for purchasing personal assets that are not directly related to the business.
- Non-business-related activities: Expenses for non-business-related activities or hobbies are typically not eligible for funding.



11. Digitalization & Visibility

Digitalization:
ENABEL
Management
Information System

Visibility:
Belgian Agency for
International
Cooperation
&
European Union

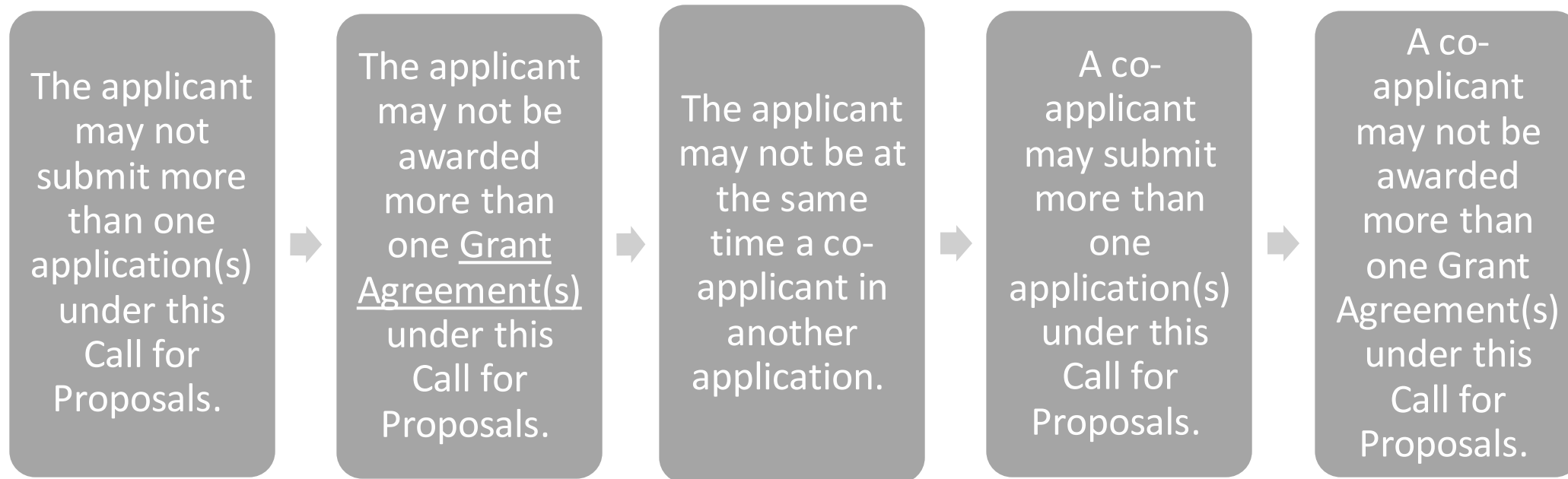
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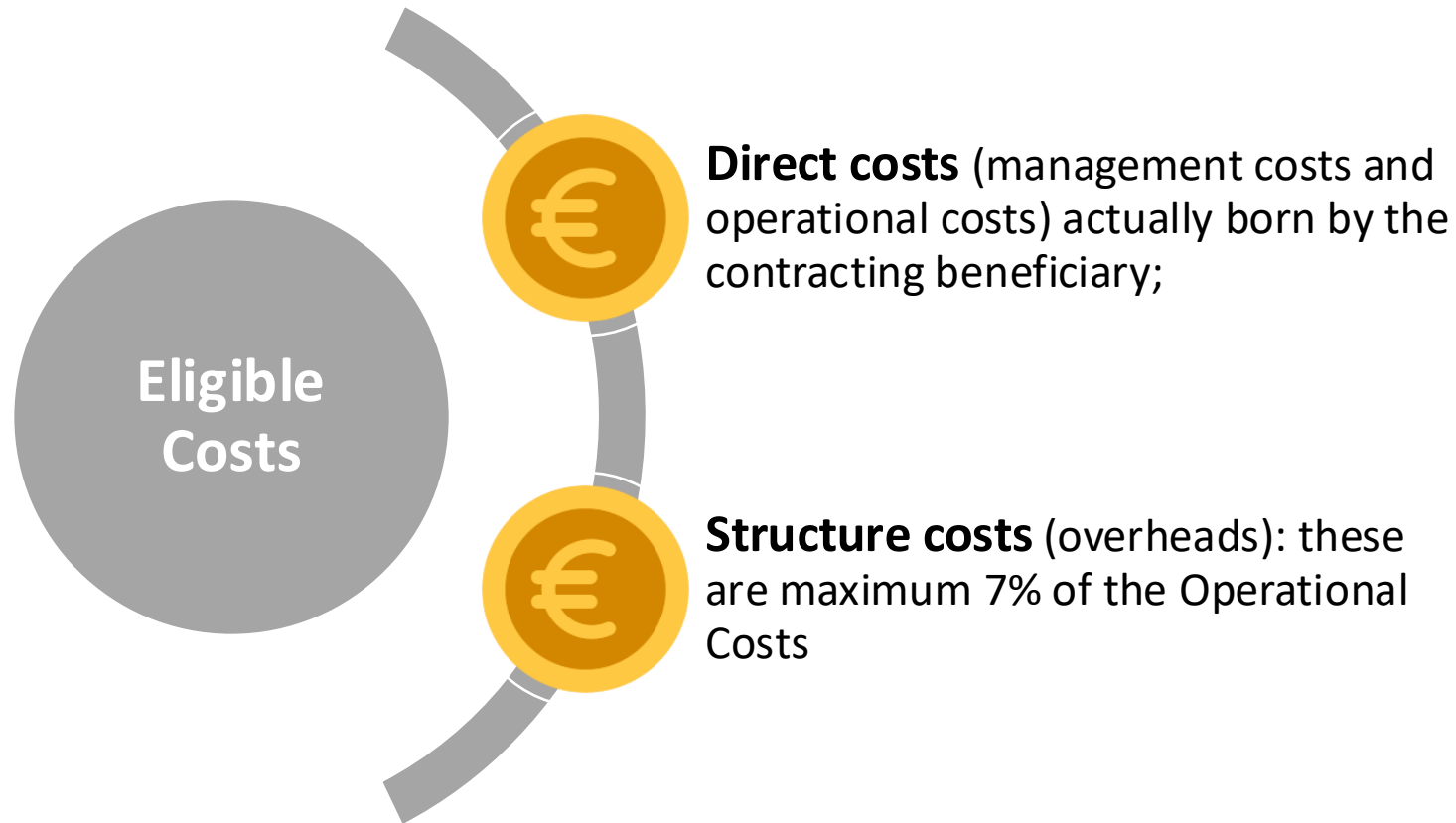


12. No of requests and Grant Agreements per applicant





13. Eligible Costs



The budget may include a contingency reserve up to a maximum of 5% of the estimated eligible direct costs. It may only be used with the prior written authorization of Enabel.



14. Ineligible Costs

- Accounting entries not leading to payments;
- Provisions for liabilities and charges, losses, debts or possible future debts;
- Debts and debit interests;
- Doubtful debts;
- Currency exchange losses;
- Loans to third parties;
- Guarantees and securities,
- Costs already financed by another grant;
- Invoices made out by other organisations for goods and services already subsidised;
- Subcontracting by means of service or consultancy contracts to personnel members, Board members or General Assembly members of the organisation subsidised;
- Any sub-letting to oneself;
- Purchases of land or buildings,
- Compensation for damage falling under the civil liability of the organisation;
- Employment termination compensation for the term of notice not performed;
- Purchase of alcoholic beverages, tobacco and derived products thereof.
- Salary bonuses



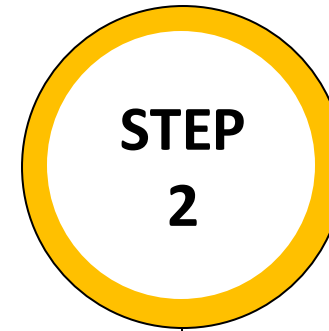
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1. CfP Applications Steps



Concept Notes



**Proposals: on invitation
only (including full
budget and log frame)**



2. CN Submission Instructions

In order to ensure the equal treatment of applicants, the contracting authority **cannot give a prior opinion** on the admissibility of applicants, an action or specific activities

Deadline for submission of Concept Note: by **12 October 2025 max 13:00 (1:00 pm)**

- Enabel Ramallah office (Royal Center, 7th Floor, Al Balou', Mecca Street, Al Bireh)
- Enabel Jerusalem office (5 Baibars Street, Sheikh Jarrah)

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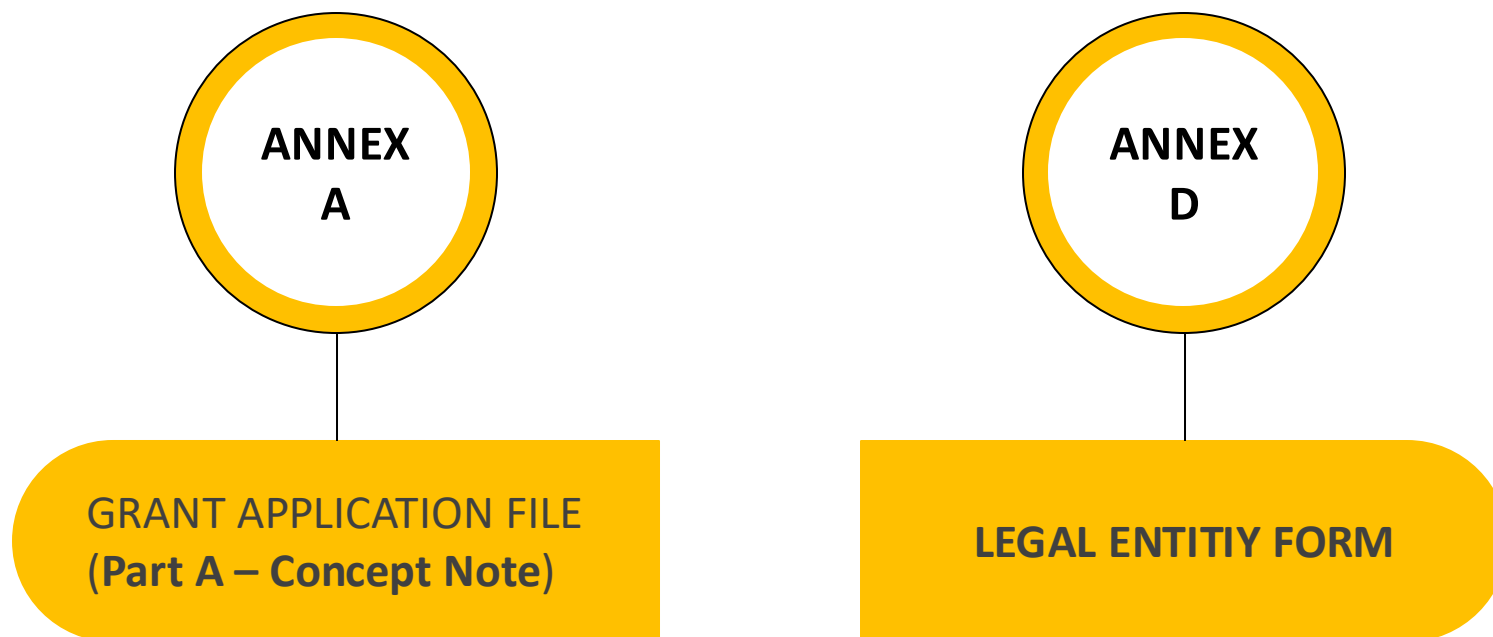
The external envelope must bear **the reference number and title of the Call for Proposals**

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3. CN Submission Documents





4. CN Evaluation

Check: ANNEX F1a

CONCEPT NOTE VERIFICATION AND EVALUATION GRID

**To understand
how your CN will
be evaluated**

**Admin and
admissibility
check**

**Technical
evaluation**



5. Provisional Dates

TASK	Date	Time
Information meeting	18 September 2025	13:00 PM
Deadline for clarification requests to the contracting authority	21 September 2025	16:00 PM
Last date on which clarifications are given by the contracting authority	1 October 2025	
Submission deadline for concept notes	12 October 2025	13:00 PM
Information of applicants on the opening, administrative checks, and evaluation of concept notes (stage 1)	25 October 2025	
Invitations to submit the proposals (Tentative)	19 November 2025	
Deadline for the submission of the proposals	18 December 2025	15:00 PM



5. Provisional Dates - *continued*

TASK	Date
Request certificates and supporting documents relating to the grounds for exclusion (see 2.1.1 (2))	2 January 2026
Receipt of certificates and supporting documents relating to the grounds for exclusion	10 January 2026
Organizational analysis of applicants and co-applicants whose proposal has been shortlisted.	20 January 2026
Notification of the award decision and transmission of signed grant agreement	9 February 2026
Signature of the Agreement by contracting beneficiary	No later than 15 days after notification of the grant



Questions & Answers