

## IOM MISSION -ARMENIA

### CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

#### 1 **Timeline**

Call for Expression of interest ID #	CEI 01/2021
Posted (date)	21/12/2021
Clarification Request Deadline	31/12/2021
Application Deadline	14/01/2022
Notification of Results	21/01/2022
Implementation Start Date	01/02/2022
Implementation End Date	30/10/2022

#### 2 **Locations**

Armenia, Yerevan and all the Regions

#### 3 **Sector(s) and area(s) of specialization**

Capacity-building for civil society organizations, Migration governance, awareness-raising activities and outreach.

#### 4 **Issuing Agency**

IOM

#### 5 **Project Background**

The IOM Georgia and Armenia offices are implementing a project titled: Enhancing Migrants' Rights and Good Governance in Georgia and Armenia - EMERGE, funded by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which seeks to strengthen national capacities in the fields of migrants' rights and migration governance in Armenia and Georgia and strengthen cross-border dialogue and cooperation in the area. Project activities include conduct research, undertake government capacity building activities including study tours, work with the civil society and media to expand their expertise and enhance quality of reporting, organize awareness raising campaigns, set up regional consultative platforms and improve access to information for migrants. EMERGE seeks to partner with Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in Georgia and in Armenia to build their capacities in migration field and to provide support to CSOs to enhance their activism in the area of promotion and protection of migrants' rights.

All project activities are oriented towards achieving greater harmonization with international standards in the field of migrant's rights and migration governance, with particular respect for standards of human rights in connection with the inclusion of vulnerable groups. The project is strongly committed to the development of knowledge about the specific migration topics and dialogue on migration policy, which will equally include government institutions and civil society. A human rights approach to migration places the migrant at the centre of migration policies and management and pays particular attention to the situation of marginalised and disadvantaged groups of migrants. Such an approach will also ensure that migrants are included in relevant national action plans and strategies, such as plans on the provision of public health, education, employment and other services, as well as other national strategies such as those to combat racism and xenophobia.

This project activity aims:

- To enhance civil society capacity's expertise in migration area
- To increase CSO networking and advocacy in migration field
- To strengthen the capacity of civil society organizations to monitor the policies and practices related to irregular and regular migrants and their rights, paying special attention to the realization of human rights and the processes of social inclusion of regular and humane treatment of irregular migrants
- To support small scale community projects/public awareness and other activities through non-governmental organizations that are aimed at protecting and promoting migrants' rights
- To promote socio-economic rights, issues of equality and non-discrimination.

## 6 **Expected Results**

- CSO in Armenia will be empowered to collaborate on joint projects.
- Protection, social inclusion and socio-economic rights of migrants will be advanced at the central and local level.
- Capacity of targeted civil society organisations will be increased to utilise human-rights based approach in advancing the social inclusion, equality and socio-economic rights of migrants.
- Issues of non-discrimination and equality will be promoted through active engagement of civil society in community development and social inclusion.
- Targeted CSO will be able to implement projects in different regions of Armenia, providing required support and information to beneficiaries (Including migrants, repatriates and local communities)

## 7 **Indicative Budget**

The maximum budget for the project proposal is AMD **20,000,000.00 (Twenty Million Armenian Drams)** . Project proposal could include one or more of the activities listed in the Terms of Reference (Annex B).

## 8 **Selection Criteria**

Name	Description	Weight
Relevance of proposal to achieving expected results	Relevance of proposal to achieving expected results; Expertise on life skills, budgeting skills as well as, communication, negotiation and participation skills ; Expertise and experience in developing and delivery of training programmes and capacity building for CSOs and public institutions; Adequacy and clarity of proposed budget (including contribution by CSO); Relevant technical expertise and experience in working with a different range of stakeholders at a national and local level in establishing a youth-sensitive perspective across sectors	60
Sustainability of intervention	Experience in partnering with key institutions related to youth and adolescent participation and development; National and Local experience, presence and community relations; Management ability; Sustainability of intervention.	20
Other	Replicability/scalability; Gender mainstreaming skills to apply during implementation of the programmes; Innovative approach	20

## 9 **Attachments**

Description
<a href="#">ANNEX A – Terms of Reference</a>
<a href="#">ANNEX B - Implementing Partner References Checklist</a>
<a href="#">ANNEX C - Implementing Partners General Information Questionnaire</a>

<a href="#">ANNEX D - Concept Note Template</a>
<a href="#">ANNEX - E Financial and Narrative Reporting Templates</a>
<a href="#">ANNEX F - Project Implementation Agreement Template</a>

## 10 **For more information on this partnership opportunity**

The organizations responding to this call need to demonstrate their capacity to implement all listed activities as a single package. Partial applications for individual activities will not be considered.

IOM reserves the right to cancel/reduce the scope of planned activities or to introduce new/broaden the scope of the existing activities. Selected Implementing partner needs to be ready to develop a detailed budget based on submitted proposal in two weeks upon receiving the notification from IOM.

All applicants will receive written notification of the outcome of the selection process. Should an applicant request further clarification, IOM will provide a response explaining the transparency and integrity of the selection process undertaken.

IOM reserves the right to decline disclosure of the specificity of decision derived by the IOM mission due to reasons related to confidentiality.

IOM reserves the right to accept or reject any Expression of Interest, and to annul the selection process and reject all Expression of Interest at any time, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Implementing Partners.

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### **Expression of Interest submission guidelines**

This document contains instructions on the preparation and submission of the Application.

1. The Application must be submitted by email to the address [prciomarmenia@iom.int](mailto:prciomarmenia@iom.int) with the object to **CEI 01/2021** no later than **14/01/2022**. Late Application will no longer be considered.
2. A detailed description must be provided on how the requirements specified in the Call for Expression of Interest (CEI) issued by IOM will be matched by the capabilities, experience, knowledge and expertise of the Implementing Partners
3. The Application must be submitted in one original and one copy and envelop must be marked "Original" and "Copy" as appropriate. If there are any discrepancies between the original and the copy the original governs. Both envelopes shall be placed in an outer envelope and sealed. The outer envelope shall be labeled with the submission address, reference number and title of the Project and name of the Implementing Partner.
4. The Application must be submitted in the English language and in the format prescribed by IOM within the CEI. All required information must be provided, responding clearly and concisely to all the points set out. Any application which does not fully and comprehensively address this CEI requirements may be rejected.
5. The Application document should comprise of the following:
  - a. Cover Letter;
  - b. Duly accomplished application documentation as outlined within the CEI signed on all pages by the Implementing Partner's Authorized Representative; and
  - c. Any other relevant documents
6. Applications may be modified or withdrawn in writing, prior to the closing time specified in this Request for EoI. Applications shall not be modified or withdrawn after the deadline.

7. The Implementing partner shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of the Application and IOM will not in any case be responsible and liable for the costs incurred.
8. IOM at no occasion will ask an application fee from Implementing Partners.
9. All information given in writing to or verbally shared with the Implementing Partners in connection with this CEI is to be treated as strictly confidential. The Implementing Partner shall not share or invoke such information to any third party without the prior written approval of IOM. This obligation shall continue after the selection process has been completed whether or not the Implementing Partner application is successful.
10. IOM will treat all information (or that marked proprietary/sensitive/financial) received from Implementing Partners as confidential and any personal data in accordance with its Data Protection Principles.
11. The Implementing Partner by submitting an application gives consent to IOM to share information with those who need to know for the purposes of evaluating and managing the proposal.
12. IOM reserves the right to accept or reject any Application, and to cancel the process and reject all Applications, at any time without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Implementing partner or any obligation to inform the affected Implementing partner of the ground for IOM's action.