Additional Q&As regarding the “Gender-based violence” Call for Proposals

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1. Can the proposal be written in English or necessarily in French? And, if so, does a summary in French need to be included?

As part of this call for proposals, AFD will accept both proposals written in French or in English. Moreover, the structure of the said proposals will be identical regardless of the choice of language (cf. section III of the Project Concept Note). Thus, it isn’t expected from consortiums writing their proposals in English to produce a summary in French.

2. Is it possible that the proposed project proposal focus on supporting the capacity of local CSOs to prevent GBV in the long term by addressing root causes and warning mechanisms in a sustainable way rather than working on their capacity to respond, which is already a widespread approach.

If the proposal demonstrates an innovative approach to address unmet needs in terms of GBV prevention, it may focus on a preventive approach. However, a specific attention should be drawn to ensure that the proposal does not overlook the other guidelines and thematic scope as defined in the framework of this call for proposals.

As a reminder, AFD will favour project proposals with the following characteristics:

- working with the entire chain of GBV actors (victim, witness, perpetrator)
- working with all stakeholders of the cycle of violence (social and health services, legal services, prison administrations, and law enforcement agencies)
- taking into account the different contexts of violence and their particularities (urban/rural, public/private sphere, crisis settings).
- using a multidisciplinary, integrated, and inclusive approach sensitive to the various discriminations faced by women and girls.

3. Does the project team think it is relevant to prioritise girls and adolescents as the target of the proposal?

The consortium structure should take advantage of the complementarity between its member organisations in terms of experiences and expertise. If young girls/adolescents are the main “target” of one of these organisations, especially while dealing with GBV, this expertise can be promoted in the project proposal. However, it should not constitute a discriminating factor with regard to other population categories. In any case, it will be necessary to justify the relevance of the approach / activities and priorities given by the consortium in its project, in light with the proposed contexts and interventions.