

FCO Strategic Programme Fund and Bilateral Programme Fund

**PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM**

(For projects worth **over £80,000**)

\* To be completed by the Post

<b>Project Title</b>		
<b>Which Programme is the funding being sought from *</b> <i>Policy Programme title or Bilateral Programme Budget</i>		
<b>Project Code *</b> <i>To be added once the Project has been approved and the code is provided by the Programme Team</i>		
<b>Is the Project ODA eligible *</b> Yes/No		
<b>ODA Codes *</b> <i>To be added by Post using guidance in Annex 2 and 3 of <a href="#">"OECD's ODA Reporting Guidance"</a>.</i>	<b>Input Sector Code</b>	
	<b>Channel of Delivery Code</b>	

**Part A: To be completed by the Project Implementer**

<p><b>Project Title</b></p>	
<p><b>Purpose</b> <i>This must be NO MORE than one sentence, clearly setting out the “change” to be delivered</i></p>	
<p><b>Context and Need for the Project</b> <i>In no more than 200 words, provide the <u>background to the issue</u> this project will change, what the expected final Outcome will be, and (where applicable) why the UK should fund this project</i></p>	
<p><b>Short Project Summary</b> <i>In no more than 200 words explain what the project plans to achieve and how (setting out how the Outputs will deliver the Purpose/Objective, and how the activities will deliver each relevant Output), and what difference will it make on the ground over the next few years?</i></p> <p><small>This question will be looked at again during any Evaluation of this project, and when an Impact Report is done. The success of the project will largely be judged on what is said here</small></p>	

<p><b>Cost</b> What is the <b>TOTAL</b> cost of the Project</p> <p>Please detail the cost to the FCO and, if relevant the cost to co-funders</p> <p>If relevant, please provide costs for future Financial years. Please note, the cannot guarantee funding for future years</p> <p>Project funds are paid quarterly in arrears.</p>	<b>FY15/16</b>	£		
	Cost to FCO	£	Cost to Co-funders	£
		£		
	Cost to FCO	£	Cost to Co-funders	£
<p><b>Co-Funding</b> Has funding for this project been sought from other donors (EU, DfID, other countries), Private institutions or the host government? If Yes, please provide details including source and amount. If No, why not, and were options for doing so explored?</p>	Yes / No			
<p><b>Timing</b></p>	Planned start date:		Planned completion date:	
<p><b>PLEASE ATTACH A FULL ACTIVITY BASED BUDGET (in Excel). Proposals without an activity based budget will not be considered</b> The Activity Based Budget must match the activities and timings set out below</p>				
<p><b>Will the Implementing Partner</b> be sub-contracting any other agencies to carry out elements of the project activities? If Yes, please provide details <i>Good procurement procedures <u>must</u> be followed – please refer to Annex C of the FCO Grant Contract</i></p>	Yes/No			

<b>Implementing Agency</b> <i>Name; Address; Telephone Numbers; Email; Website</i>	
<b>Country or countries covered</b>	
<b>Have you bid for funding from the FCO in the past three years?</b> <i>Please provide details of any bids made and/or projects implemented</i>	

## Project Plan

Based on the information provided in the Summary, use the table below to set out the Purpose, Outputs and Activities to be delivered. Give the Indicator(s) for the Purpose and each Output, along with the Baseline information, what the target to be reached is, and when it will be delivered by, along with milestones (checkpoints) at which progress will be measured.

This will allow you to monitor and measure progress throughout the Project, and provide clear evidence of the Project's success

*Indicator = what will be measured (eg the number of people who will be trained; the increase in positive perceptions of an issue)*

*Baseline = the current status (eg no training exists; current perceptions are x% positive)*

*Sources = where will the information on the baseline data and targets come from (eg data from research carried out by the implementer; open source data)*

*Milestones = the key points at which progress will be tracked (can be specific dates/events or the regular quarterly reports – but provide indicative dates for the latter)*

*Target = what the project will deliver (eg 100 people trained; 50% increase in positive perceptions)*

*Date = the date by which it will be delivered*

**Purpose/Objective:** *eg: To strengthen the capacity of Country X's Ministry of ..... to reduce instances of fraud in processing of applications*

Indicator(s)	Baseline	Sources	Milestones	Target & Date
<i>1. Changes in fraud detection rates</i>	<i>1. Xx no. per year</i>	<i>Ministry of Home Affairs Human Resources Department</i>	<i>1. xx% increase from baseline by ....</i>	<i>1. xx% increase from baseline by xx date (eg end of project)</i>

**Output 1:** *eg: Training programme delivered*

Indicator(s)	Baseline	Sources	Milestones	Target & Date
<i>e.g. Number of staff trained and certified</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Ministry of Home Affairs Human Resources Department</i>	<i>x.x.2014 When course content agreed x.x.2014 When first course delivered etc...</i>	<i>100 staff trained and certified by ...</i>

Activities linked to Output 1

1.1  
1.2  
1.3  
etc..

**Output 2:**

Indicator(s)	Baseline	Sources	Milestones	Target & Date

Activities linked to Output 1	2.1 2.2 2.3 etc..			
<b>Output 3:</b>				
Indicator(s)	Baseline	Sources	Milestones	Target & Date
Activities linked to Output 3	3.1 3.2 3.3			
<i>ADD MORE LINES AS NEEDED</i>				
<b>Sustainability</b> <i>How will the project ensure benefits are sustained once the project funding ends?</i>				
<b>Monitoring</b> <i>Please note that the Grant Contract specifies the need for (at least) quarterly reporting on progress and finances</i>	<i>How will the monitoring be carried out and by whom eg site visits, regular meetings etc</i>			

<b>Risks</b> <i>What are the key risks in implementing this project and how are you going to manage them</i> <u>Add more lines as required</u>  <i>Larger/higher value projects will require a full Risk Management Strategy. You should consider whether one is needed for this project.</i> <i>You should also think here about when risks should be flagged up to Programme Managers in London</i>	<b>Risk</b>	<b>Impact</b> Low/ Medium/ High	<b>Like- lihood</b> L/M/H	<b>Management</b> <i>How will the risk be managed and monitored, what are the mitigating actions, and who is the risk owner</i>	<b>Escalation Point</b> <i>At what stage will the management of this risk need to be escalated to a more senior colleague and/or flagged to London</i>
<b>Stakeholders</b> <i>Who are the people or groups with an interest in this project and who will be affected by it and/or can influence its success either positively or negatively?</i> <i>How will you manage your engagement with them</i> <u>Add more lines as required</u>  <i>Larger/higher value projects will require a full Stakeholder Engagement &amp; Communications Strategy. You should consider whether one is needed for this project.</i>	<b>Stakeholders</b>	<b>Interest</b> L/M/H	<b>Influence</b> L/M/H	<b>Engagement / Communications plan</b> (How to engage, how often and who by/who to)	<b>Owner</b>

<p><b>Beneficiary Groups</b> <i>Describe the level of participation of beneficiary group(s) in planning the project</i> <i>Does the plan reflect the wishes/needs of the beneficiaries</i></p> <p><i>[Beneficiaries are those organisations, groups or individuals who are benefitting from the change that the project will deliver]</i></p>	
<p><b>Signature of Implementing Agency Lead Contact</b></p>	
<p><b>Date</b></p>	



**Part B: To be completed by Post**

<b>What Programme or CBP Objective</b> does this project help meet	Programme	
	CBP	
<b>How will this project help to deliver that Objective</b>		

<b>Contact name and details at Post</b>		
<b>In addition to the “need for the Project” set out above, what benefit will the Project deliver for the UK?</b> <i>Please note that if the Project is ODA eligible the primary purpose of the Project <u>must</u> be the development of the host country.</i>		
<b>How have lessons learned from previous similar projects</b> been taken into consideration in the development of this idea		
<b>What consideration has been given to an exit strategy</b> to ensure that the project does not create dependence? Please provide details		
<b>Evaluation</b> <i>Will this project be evaluated?</i>  <i>Projects over £500,000 must be evaluated, and this should happen within 6-12 months of the Project Completion Report being submitted to London</i>  <i>For Projects between £100,000 and £500,000 please highlight to the Programme Team if you think it would be useful for this Project to be evaluated.</i>	Yes / No:	
	When:	
	Yes / No:	
<i>Please ensure that a decision is made <u>with</u> the Programme Team and the evaluation is <u>added to the evaluation plan</u>. Funding for Project Evaluations will have to come from the Programme budget</i>		
<b>The Implementer</b> <i>Provide details of any previous work with the Implementing Agency, and relevant background information on financial, reputational, organisational etc issues</i>		

<p><b>Cross Cutting Issues</b>  <i>What additional impact will the project have on issues such as the environment, diversity, gender, and human rights?  Please note both positive and negative possible impacts</i></p>	
<p><b>Human rights (HR) assessment</b>  <i>For projects in the security and justice sectors: Have you completed an assessment under the Overseas Security &amp; Justice Assistance Guidance?</i></p>	Yes / No
<p><i>Please summarise the results including the key risks and mitigation measures and overall rating</i></p>	
<p><i>For other projects: Do you consider that there is a serious risk that the assistance might directly or significantly contribute to a violation of human rights and/or IHL?</i></p>	If YES what is the risk:
<b>CHECKLIST</b>	
<p><b>Consultancy Value Programme</b>  <i>Are consultants being used in the delivery of this Project? If yes, please ensure that you check the requirements within the CVP on Corporate Procurement Group's Sharepoint site</i></p>	Yes/No
<p><b>Marketing &amp; Advertising Freeze</b>  <i>Will elements of the Project include Marketing or Advertising products and services that are externally procured i.e. will incur cost to FCO. If yes, refer to the guidance on the Comms &amp; Engagement Sharepoint site and complete the necessary clearance forms</i></p>	Yes/No
<p><b>TV &amp; Film Production</b>  <i>Is the project producing any television programmes or films (including documentaries)? If yes, you must seek approval from PrivateOffice in advance of the activities.</i></p>	Yes/No
<p><b>Advance Payments</b>  <i>Will the implementer require payments in advance? If Yes, please complete the Advance Payment request Form (Programme Office's Sharepoint site) as early as possible. Please note, advance payments will ONLY be made where there is a clear justification</i></p>	Yes/No
<p><b>Single Source Justification</b>  <i>Has the project been part of an open Bidding Round or Tender process? If not you may need to complete an SSJ. Please refer to Corporate Procurement Group</i></p>	Yes/No
<p><b>Gifting</b>  <i>Will any of the goods procured during the project become the property of the implementer or beneficiary? If Yes, please consult the Gifting &amp; Granting Guidance (Programme Office's Sharepoint site). Please note, goods purchased during a project will usually remain the property of HMG and will need to be disposed of in accordance with guidance</i></p>	Yes/No
<p><b>Contract</b>  <i>There must be a signed contract in place between FCO and the implementer, prior to any activities commencing. Please ensure that the implementer is aware of the content of the Contract well in advance of having to sign. Please refer to guidance on Grant Contracts (Programme Office's Sharepoint site).  If the project is being implemented by a commercial organisation/ business, please see CPG's Sharepoint site for guidance on Commercial Contracts.</i></p>	
<p><b>Due Diligence</b>  <i>Reasonable checks must be made on the potential implementing organisation prior to initiating the project. Please detail what checks will/have been carried out, and the findings, on at least:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial position (you can ask to see their books)</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity to carry out work</li> <li>• Local reputation for delivery</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Can this project be referred to publicly</b>, or are there sensitivities that would preclude publicity. If public, please provide an unclassified form of words describing the project, which can be used in briefing materials.</p>	
<p><b>Comments from Policy Desk</b> either geographical or thematic <i>Does the project have the support of the relevant desk?</i></p>	
<p><b>Date of Post Programme Board</b> at which the bid was approved</p>	
<p><b>Comments from Post Programme Board</b> <i>[Note: <b>All</b> bids must be appraised by the Post Programme Board]</i> Include here, information on why the Project was approved, what additional work was needed prior to approval, further information for the Strategic Programme Board in London</p>	
<p><b>Signature of Board Chair</b></p>	
<p><b>Date</b></p>	
<p>Once approved by the Post Programme Board, non-Bilateral and non-devolved Programme Budget projects should be forwarded to the Programme Team in London for discussion at the Strategic Programme Board</p>	
<p><b>Comments from Strategic Programme Board</b></p>	
<p><b>Date</b></p>	

**Useful links:**

Programme Office: [http://ubs.sharepoint.fco.gov.uk/sites/ops/OU/SPF\\_Office/default.aspx](http://ubs.sharepoint.fco.gov.uk/sites/ops/OU/SPF_Office/default.aspx)

Corporate Procurement: <http://ubs.sharepoint.fco.gov.uk/sites/finance/procurement/default.aspx>

Comms & Engagement: <http://restricted.sharepoint.fco.gov.uk/sites/comms/default.aspx>