

**CSO Call for Expression of Interest (Eoi) for the WoS ECW-funded programme:  
“Emergency Education response for the IDP crisis in North West and North East  
Syria”**

**QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

**Q: The Call for Eoi for the ECW-funded programme is for 1-year. Is this time period a reflection of UNICEF PCA/financial regulations (i.e. they only sign 1-year PCAs) or does this mean that the ECW funding stream is not long-term? Will implementing partners be able to apply for funding next year, for example?**

A: The ECW First Response mechanism is for one year only. This is beyond UNICEF decision. The WoS cannot confirm if ECW funding will be available next year. UNICEF does fund projects over 12-months however, this is not relevant for the ECW First Response call for proposals as this ECW project is for 12-months.

**Q: Can an organization apply to more than one project if it is a lead of the consortium in one project and a member of the consortium for one project?**

A: No, unfortunately this is not possible. You should decide in which of the two consortia you bring the best value added. An organization can only apply to one project

**Q: Our registration paper is in Turkish, should we have an official translation into English, or Turkish copy is enough? Same question for the registration papers in Syria.**

A: Yes, official translations are required. As clearly explained in the call all documents must be officially translated into English.

**Q: If an NGO, who match all the eligibility criteria, wanted to apply a consortium project for ECW under its lead with other subcontractor NGOs, but one of these subcontractor partners was NOT eligible because it missed One 4Ws report (noting that this subcontractor partner did not have any education projects since the beginning of 2018 and was reporting to the education cluster on this base but missed one month). Basing on the mentioned info (Lead NGO eligible + subcontractor NGO not eligible) Does this consortium still match the eligibility criteria of ECW and can be submitted for ECW or not?**

**In other words, can a NGO be a member of a consortium or a sub-contractor if it is not eligible?**

A: The eligibility criteria are valid for all consortium members, hence if one of the consortium member does not comply with the eligibility criteria, the proposal cannot be considered.

**Q: Do all members of a consortium need to be on the UN OCHA CSO Platform?**

A: If the NGO is a national NGO it needs to be on the UN OCHA CSO Platform. Only internationally recognized NGOs do not need to be on the UN OCHA CSO Platform. If there is a consortium

member that is a national NGO that is not on the UN OCHA CSO Platform the proposal cannot be considered.

**Q: What is the minimum number of NGOs needed to form a consortium?**

A: A consortium is composed of at least two NGOs. There is no maximum number for forming a consortium. We leave it at the discretion of partners.

**Q: We are planning to support some schools in areas where teachers incentives are covered, but there are high needs of other education related activities. Can we implement these kind of activities only and pay incentives in other areas and schools? As we understood, we have to cover the full package of activities without being for same beneficiaries in same area. In other words, what do we do if a school or a learning center does not need a full package of support. For example, if teacher salaries are already being paid so they are not needed.**

A: The objective of the project is to ensure that students benefit from a well-supported school or learning center. Some schools or learning centers may not need a full package of support. The project should explain how the need is covered. For example, "Salaries will not be paid in three schools as the local education authorities are already paying salaries." ECW activities should not be implemented as single activities in school or learning center. For example, you cannot only pay teacher incentives, or only do a supply distribution.

**Q: Is the investment covering formal or non-formal education?**

A: It could be both, formal and non-formal.

**Q: Is there a logical frame work for the fund to be followed?**

A: Yes, please check the call for expression of interest. See page 14-15.

**Q: What are the budget limits for each activity?**

A: We have left it open to your discretion. Please make sure that the budget is clear and demonstrates value for money. Repairs cannot be more than \$80,000. See page-4.

**Q: Concerning the package intervention, Could it be divided according to need? (for example, if we have a fund for 5 schools and ONLY 3 need to be rehabilitated. Can we rehabilitate other 2 none funded schools that need rehabilitation? and the same for other activities. Can the activities be divided according to need?)**

A: The proposal needs to be grounded in evidence. You should clearly explain how the needs of the school are being met, or have been met, so there is no need for ECW to cover the activity. CSOs need to clearly explain that.

**Q: Do international NGOs need to be on the OCHA CSO Platform?**

A: No, international NGOs do not need to be on the OCHA CSO Platform. Clearly state in the proposal that the NGO is international so it is not on the Platform.

**Q: How many projects form Gaziantep and Amman hubs will be funded?**

A: It depends on the quality of the proposals and there is no set demarcation.

**Q: Could we include formal education in our project? (the formal education mentioned in the result statement not in the activities-Page.3)**

A: Yes, you can include activities mentioned on page-3. This includes formal and non-formal education.

**Q: It is mentioned that it is expected to provide a package of interventions to targeted children. Can we target part of beneficiary children with part of activities basing on the needs?**

A: Yes, the objective is that students benefit from a whole package. If some activities are not needed, then your project should not provide them. The reason some activities are not being provided needs to be clearly explained.

**Q: Would you please clarify “Learning Assessments” activity?**

A: The impact of the project should be measured. The learning assessment should capture the learning outcomes of the project.