Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Can an organization apply under both thematic streams (WPS and Economic)?

Yes. As these are two separate Calls for Proposals, organizations may submit separate proposals under both streams, provided that each proposal independently meets the technical and eligibility requirements of the respective call.

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2. Are international NGOs eligible to apply?

The CFP is open to **Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)**. The CFP does not provide additional clarification regarding international NGOs specifically. All applicants must meet the eligibility, registration, and pre-qualification requirements outlined in the CFP package.

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3. Is an organization required to implement activities in both Gaza and the West Bank?

No. Applicants are not required to cover both Gaza and the West Bank.

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4. Can applicants focus on specific governorates or geographic areas only?

Yes. Applicants may propose interventions in geographic areas where they have demonstrated operational presence and capacity, provided that the proposed locations are justified and aligned with the objectives of the call.

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5. Is there a preferred geographic focus under the call?

No. The CFP does not prescribe a preferred geographic focus or specific governorates.

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6. Are editable Word or Excel versions of the proposal and budget templates available?

Yes. Editable versions of the required templates are available through the document link provided under each Call for Proposals. Applicants are encouraged to download and complete the templates directly from the published CFP package.

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7. Can applicants include sub-partners in project implementation?

Yes. Applicants may engage sub-partners or subcontractors as part of project implementation arrangements.

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8. What documentation is required for sub-partners?

If sub-partners are envisaged at the proposal stage, applicants should clearly describe the proposed implementation arrangement and indicate the role of any identified sub-partners within the proposal.

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9. How should proposals be submitted?

Applications must be submitted by email to:

palestine.registry@unwomen.org

Applicants must clearly indicate the thematic stream in the email subject line.

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10. In what language should proposals be submitted?

All proposals and related correspondence must be submitted in **English**.

Supporting documents may be submitted in another language, provided that relevant sections are translated into English.

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11. What is the budget range for each call?

Economic Stream (UNW-2026-003):
USD 100,000 – 185,000

WPS Stream (UNW-2026-002):
USD 100,000 – 160,000

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12. In what currency should financial proposals be submitted?

Financial proposals must be submitted in **New Israeli Shekel (ILS).**

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13. Must applicant organizations be legally registered?

Yes. Applicants must be legally registered or have a legal mandate as an organization and provide supporting registration documentation.

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14. Is previous organizational experience required?

Yes. Applicants should have at least **5 years of operational experience**.

In exceptional circumstances, organizations with **3 years of registration history may be considered if properly justified.**

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15. Can organizations submit consortiums or joint applications?

The CFP does not explicitly refer to consortium applications. However, applicants may engage sub-partners as part of implementation arrangements.

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16. If an organization has already applied under the WPHF Call for Proposals, can it also apply under the Reclaiming Power Calls for Proposals?

Yes. There are no restrictions in the published Call for Proposals documents preventing organizations that have applied under the Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF) Call for Proposals from also applying under the Reclaiming Power Calls for Proposals, provided that applicants meet the eligibility and submission requirements under each respective call.

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17. Do internal organizational policies and manuals submitted under Annex B need to be translated into English?

No. The translation requirement applies only to **supporting documents directly linked to the proposal itself** (for example: partnership agreements, MoUs with co-applicants, proposed Terms of Reference, or documents forming part of the proposal package).

This does **not** apply to internal organizational documents submitted under mandatory Annex B requirements, such as administrative manuals, internal policies, or financial procedures.

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18. Are all mandatory supporting documents required from both the lead applicant and co-implementing partners?

The mandatory organizational documents listed under Annex B-1, B-2, B-3 and B-4 apply to the **lead applicant (proponent)** submitting the proposal. Where sub-partners are involved, applicants should clearly indicate partnership arrangements within the proposal.

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19. Where should Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) costs and External Audit costs be reflected in the budget?

Monitoring & Evaluation costs and External Audit costs should be budgeted under **"Other Costs"** in the budget template.

Applicants should clearly specify and explain these budget lines in the relevant footnotes/explanatory notes section.

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20. Can applicants propose a project duration shorter than 24 months?

The partnership is expected to support implementation of a **two-year project**, with activities commencing in **Quarter 3 2026** and concluding in **Quarter 3 2028**.

Applicants are therefore strongly encouraged to design proposals in alignment with the **full 24-month implementation period**.

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21. Are support costs and indirect costs the same?

Yes. The **Support Costs** category (capped at **8%**) refers to indirect or operational support costs associated with project implementation, including administrative and operational overheads.

These costs should be budgeted under the **Support Costs** budget category and must not exceed **8% of the total budget**.

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22. Is there a separate list of eligible and ineligible costs?

The CFP does **not provide a separate standalone list of eligible and ineligible costs.**

Applicants must prepare budgets using the categories and cost limitations provided in the CFP and ensure that all proposed costs are reasonable, directly linked to implementation, and aligned with the objectives of the Call.

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23. If a proposal includes grant-making activities, are there funding limitations?

Yes. Where grant-making activities are included:

- Up to **50% of the total partner agreement value** may be allocated to grant-making activities.
- No individual grant may exceed **25% of the total partner agreement value**.

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24. Must applicants request the full maximum budget amount indicated in the CFP?

No. Applicants may submit proposals requesting **amounts below the maximum budget ceiling**, provided that the proposed budget remains realistic and aligned with the scope of the proposed intervention.

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25. What type of references should be provided under the mandatory organizational documentation requirements?

Where references are requested under the mandatory documentation requirements, references should be provided from **previous donors or funding partners** demonstrating the organization's prior grant management or project implementation experience.

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26. What is the relationship between Outcome 1 and Outcome 2 in the Reclaiming Power programme?

The programme includes **two separate Calls for Proposals**, each linked to a separate programme outcome:

- **Outcome 1** corresponds to the **WPS Call for Proposals (UNW-2026-002)**
- **Outcome 2** corresponds to the **Economic Call for Proposals (UNW-2026-003)**

Each CFP includes only the outputs, indicators, and activities relevant to its respective outcome.

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27. Is there an additional Output 1.1 or other outputs not shown in the CFP?

Each CFP package includes only the outputs, indicators, and activities relevant to the specific funding stream being advertised.

The absence of additional outputs simply reflects the scope of the specific Call for Proposals.

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28. Can proposal attachments and supporting documents be submitted in ZIP/compressed folders?

Applications must be submitted electronically by email to **palestine.registry@unwomen.org**.

The CFP does not specify restrictions regarding ZIP or compressed folders. Applicants may organize files in a practical manner, provided all required documents are complete, accessible, and clearly labeled.

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29. If applying to both WPS and Economic streams, should proposals be submitted together or separately?

Applicants applying to both thematic streams should submit **two separate applications**, with **one separate email submission per thematic stream**.

Each submission must clearly indicate the relevant thematic stream in the email subject line.