



Desenvolvimento Local
para a Consolidação da
Paz em Moçambique

Manica & Tete

Sub-programme

Call for proposals

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Information session

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AICS Regional Office in Maputo



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• Objectives of this info session

1. Learn more about AICS and its strategy in Mozambique
2. Learn more about DELPAZ programme and the sub-programmes
3. Clarify some information included in the Call for proposals
4. Collect any questions about contents and procedures

- **Part I - AICS Presentation**

- Profile ad goals
- AICS in Mozambique
- AICS for local economic development of the central region

- **Part II – DELPAZ Presentation**

- General framework
- Logic intervention and approach
- Target groups
- Outputs and activities

- **Part III – Call for proposals**

- Objectives / results and priority themes
- Financial lots and envelopes
- Eligibility Criteria
- Modality for the presentation of the applications



Attention!

**This presentation is for informational purposes only.
Only guidelines and official available documents on
AICS web pages are applicable**

PART I

AICS PRESENTATION



- **AICS:** general profile and goals (www.aics.gov.it)
- **AICS in Mozambique** (maputo.aics.gov.it) :
 - **WHERE is AICS working?** Provinces of Maputo, Gaza, Inhambane, **Manica**, Sofala, **Tete**, Zambezia, Nampula, Cabo Delgado
 - **WHAT is AICS doing?** 5 thematic clusters :
 - 1) *Basic Services: Identity, Health and Education;*
 - 2) *Economic Development, Innovation and Human Capital;*
 - 3) *Agriculture, Food Security and Rural Development;*
 - 4) *Urban Development and Infrastructures;*
 - 5) *Environment and Access to Energy*
 - **HOW is AICS working?** *Through: Mozambican government structures at different level; Civil Society Organizations; Universities and Research Centres; Humanitarian international platform; UN system in the country; with also the engagement of the private sector*
 - **Current portfolio:** 212 MLN EUR (including soft loans, support to CSOs, Humanitarian AID, Multi-bilateral, Direct management)

AICS strategy for local economic development of the central area

Post Emergency intervention

Support to population affected by Idai and Kenneth cyclones in Mozambique

The Italian participation to the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) in Mozambique, restoring basic services and supporting food security for those communities mostly affected by the cyclones; activities are implemented by CSOs ACAP-Sant'Egidio (Sofala), WeWorld-GVC (Manica) and Istituto Oikos-LVIA (Cabo Delgado and Nampula)



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PSSR - Support to Rural Development

- Support to production and commercialization of agricultural commodities through provision of financial and nonfinancial services to the main actors of selected value chains (fruit, vegetables, milk, poultry); capacity building to MADER and specifically to FDA (Agrarian Development Funds) in Manica is provided to increase their economical and activity planning work.

UNIDO Value chain

- Contribute to strengthen horticultural supply chains, enhancing the provision of rural extension services and improving the production of fruit and vegetables in terms of quantity and quality, with the ultimate aim of increasing trade links with the national market.

PRETEP PLUS

- Establishment of a network of excellence centers, along with combined training/development centers, in order to enhance Mozambican technical-professional training system, including support from companies and sectoral investment policies. PRETEP+ aims also at implementing 2016 reform law for skills certification linked to active labor policies.

As Mulheres Do Sustenta

- Support social and economic empowerment and leadership of rural women in family farming, agribusiness and rural tourism, facilitating the creation of technical partnerships between Italy and Mozambique, aimed at sharing knowledge and skills for rural development.

Rehabilitation and Modernization of Chimoio Agro-food Centre

- Construction of an agro-food center in Manica, supporting also the related socio-community infrastructure such as access roads, retail markets and fairs damaged by the cyclone in the same province.

PART II

DELPAZ PRESENTATION



DELPAZ – LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE IN MOZAMBIQUE

- European Union support for the peace process in Mozambique:
 - I. *Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration (DDR)*
 - II. *National Reconciliation*
 - III. *Decentralization*
 - IV. *Socio-Economic Rehabilitation through support to livelihoods in conflict-affected areas = DELPAZ*

DELPAZ – LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE IN MOZAMBIQUE

- **Funding Body:** European Union (11th EDF)
- **Total programme envelope:** 25 Million Euros
- **Implementing partners:** AICS, ADA and UNCDF
- **Mozambican counterparts:**
 - Office of the National Authorizing Officer – MINEC;
 - Ministry of State Administration and Public Function
 - Ministry of Agriculture and Rural development,
 - Ministry of Land and Environment;
 - 3 Provinces (Manica, Tete and Sofala) and 14 Districts
- **Duration of implementation phase:** 4 year, until December 2024

DELPACZ

Background and context

- 1992: General Peace Agreement signed in Rome
- Destabilization during 2013 – 2018
- 6th August 2019: National Accord for Peace and Reconciliation
- Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration and “Junta Militar”

Key concept: INCLUSION

- ⇒ Support the peace process, mitigating exclusion in local communities, **supporting the inclusion of marginalized groups** in governance and socio-economic development;
- ⇒ Accompany local institutions in the **implementation of decentralization**, local empowerment, inclusion and conflict mitigation and gain experience in the broader national peace / decentralization processes;
- ⇒ **Participatory approach** based on the development of communities affected by conflicts, increasing public investment and the provision of services;
- ⇒ **Accompany the DDR** by promoting a more dynamic local economic environment, to allow the integration of individuals in process of reintegration.

DELPAZ Focus

- DELPAZ Programme will address two constraints related to implementing Mozambique's peace process in conflict affected rural districts:
 1. **the need to improve the inclusiveness and responsiveness of local governance and**
 2. **the need to promote widely accessible opportunities for improved livelihood through local economic development.**

Both constraints share the challenge of ensuring inclusiveness in order to overcome historical tensions driven by perception of politically driven institutionalized exclusion, that frequently undermines peace at the local level.

DELPAP

Local Development for the Consolidation of Peace in Mozambique

OVERALL OBJECTIVE

To contribute towards consolidation of peace at subnational levels in Mozambique

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 1 (SO1)

To enhance inclusive local governance in selected provinces and conflict affected districts

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 2 (SO2)

To improve the livelihoods of rural communities in conflict affected districts, with a special focus upon women and disadvantaged groups.

DELPAZ

14 selected conflict affected districts

MANICA	TETE	SOFALA
1. Barue	1. Moatize	1. Gorongosa
2. Macossa	2. Tsangano	2. Maringue
3. Guro	3. Doa	3. Chemba
4. Tambara		4. Chibabava
5. Gondola		5. Cheringoma
		6. Machanga



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DELPAZ

Implementing Partners

Components	Organization	
SO1 – Local Governance (Manica, Tete, Sofala)	United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)	
SO2 – Local Development (Manica and Tete)	Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS)	
SO2- Local Development (Sofala)	Austrian Development Agency (ADA)	



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UNCDF

SO1: Enhanced inclusive local governance in selected provinces and conflict affected districts

- **Output 1.1** Increased awareness and strengthened capacities of subnational political, administrative and civil society actors to implement new decentralised institutional arrangements.
- **Output 1.2** Enhanced capacities for responsive, inclusive, gender sensitive planning and budgeting in selected districts and rural municipalities
- **Output 1.3** Knowledge built on best practices in local governance for the consolidation of peace

Manica and Tete

Development dynamics and economic context

Social and gender issues

Environmental context and climate change



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AICS

DELPAZ Manica and Tete Sub-Programme

SO2: Improved livelihoods of rural communities in conflict affected districts, with a special focus on women, youth and disadvantaged groups

- **Output 2.1** Enhanced public investment and service provision in selected districts and rural municipalities.
- **Output 2.2** Increased adoption of climate smart and productivity enhancing agriculture technologies and practices by conflict affected communities.
- **Output 2.3** Enhanced market integration and off-farm economic activities of conflict affected communities.

DELPAZ Manica and Tete

Beneficiaries Target groups

1. **communities marginalized from the local development and decision-making processes**, whose needs and socio-economic aspirations haven't been adequately addressed in the last decades through public investment and service provision
2. **disadvantaged and marginalised groups, households and individuals** (including DDR beneficiaries)

DELPAZ Manica and Tete

Strategic Approach

To improve the resilience and livelihood of targeted groups, including DDR beneficiaries, in conflict-affected communities while building on existing local economic development resources and opportunities and supporting the creation of meaningful dialogue and partnerships with key actors at local level.

Linking Communities to:



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DELPAZ-AICS strategic approach is built along the following lines of action:

- **Gender-responsive approaches**, promoting **environmentally sustainable activities** that contribute to climate change adaptation and enhancing the target groups' knowledge of risks related to climate change and how to address them;
- **Increasing access to the improved small-scale local public infrastructure**, especially in locations deprived of such investments due to isolation resulting from the conflict;
- **Improving food security** through increasing small-farmers' capacity to produce, safely store and process agricultural and animal production to improve household consumption and nutritional status;
- **Identifying and strengthening key value chains** for small-farmers' sustainable integration and enhancing production and productivity of promising marketable crops, according to the locations' characteristics and to existing and potential marketing opportunities;
- Reducing reliance on primary agricultural production and **promoting diversification in the households' income-generating strategies**, while at the same time increasing the skills of youth to become economically active

Activities OUTPUT 2.1

- ✓ Act. 2.1.1 - Construction, rehabilitation, extension, equipping of small-scale local public infrastructures (selected by participatory planning - SO1 with explicit gender and social impact)
- ✓ [Act. 2.1.2 - Construction, rehabilitation, extension, equipping of primary critical social and economic support infrastructures at community and District level (with explicit gender and social impact) Not included in this Call for Proposals]
- ✓ Act. 2.1.3 - Capacity building to improve service provision from public, private and civil society actors at community level, with a focus on gender and social impact
- ✓ Act. 2.1.4 - Capacity building at local level to assess local economic gender and environmentally /sensitive potential
- ✓ Act. 2.1.5 - Support women's empowerment and social inclusion at district and community level with ad hoc activities

Attention!

- Activities described for Output 2.1 need to be clearly aligned to development plans of the selected Districts for DELPAZ, resulting in a contribution to them, strengthening the capacity of local governments to respond to citizen and community demand for public infrastructure and services!
- For interventions under 2.1.1. applicants must present a pre-identification of the interventions, their description and an indicative implementing plan, following the criteria and budget limits for this component, described in the Guidelines, justifying this pre-identification respecting the main objective and the conflict-sensitivity approach for DELPAZ - Manica and Tete Sub-Programme.
- It needs to be confirmed or revised each year, in coordination with local authorities and AICS, in order to ensure the correspondence with the results of improved participatory planning (under SO1 activities).

Activities OUTPUT 2.2

- ✓ **Act. 2.2.1** - Identification and assistance to local Institutions to become “**Incubadoras Verdes**” with specific knowledge on sustainable and climate-smart agricultural practice and gender-sensitive value chain approach, for training to local actors (public and private);
- ✓ **Act. 2.2.2** - Improvement of the production and productivity at community level, management of natural resource and food security, through smart agriculture practices, promoting the establishment of “**Pontos Verdes**”;
- ✓ **Act. 2.2.3** - Stimulation of an enabling environment and a practical model to develop climate and gender-sensitive sustainable business services, through a network of public and private service providers;
- ✓ **Act. 2.2.4** - Rehabilitation, extension, equipping of secondary critical social and economic support infrastructures at community level with explicit gender and social impact.

Activities OUTPUT 2.3

- ✓ **Act. 2.3.1** - Through the “**Incubadora Verde**” and the “**Pontos Verde**”, provision of training and technical Assistance to SDAE and services provider to enhance the quality and quantity of non-farm gender sensitive services provision;
- ✓ **Act. 2.3.2** - Promotion of inclusive business partnerships among value chain actors and support to beneficiary communities to be active part in the local value chain, with access to service and markets, based on gender-sensitive value chain assessment outcomes;
- ✓ **Act. 2.3.3** - Support to the creation of *off-farm* local micro and small enterprises with high potential for Local Economic Development (LED), with focus on youth, women, and vulnerable groups;
- ✓ **Act. 2.3.4** - Promotion of access to existing smart finance services through appropriate partnerships supporting private and community entrepreneurship at local level, with a focus on youth, women and other marginalized groups;
- ✓ **Act. 2.3.5** - Making vocational training accessible for all the services linked to farm or off-farm activities, with quotas for women.

Governance of the Programme

**National Steering
Committee**


*Peace Process
actors*

**Provincial
Coordinating
Committee**



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Additional information

- **Baseline and social mapping**
- **Context –specific and climate gender responsive assessment of local context**
- **Capacity building** activities need also to be coordinated with AICS, UNCDF and its partners
- **Technical Assistance with Italian Ministry of Agriculture**
- **DELPAZ AICS PMU in Maputo** and **AICS office in Chimoio** (*National Programme Officer*)
- In compliance with the security conditions, selected applicants must install their respective base of Operations as close as possible to the locations where the activities are carried out;
- **Results monitoring:** AICS will set up a system for results monitoring through external services. The monitoring system under the Call for Proposals will only refers to internal management monitoring

PART III

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Manica and Tete Sub Programme



Specific Objective 2: To improve the livelihoods of rural communities in conflict affected districts, with a special focus upon women and disadvantaged groups.

Applicants have to present proposals only for SO2!

*Component delegated to the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS):
EUR 9,8 million (+ 1,5 million)*

*Geographical scope:
selected Districts in Manica Province and selected Districts in Tete Province*

AICS Calls for Proposals

Applicable rules: PRAG (Practical Guide to Contract Procedures for EU External Actions)

Maximum budget: EUR 6.280.000



Call for Proposals – LOTS

(same specific objective, outputs and activities for the two lots)

- **Lot 1 - MANICA:** Barue, Macossa, Tambara, Guro (82,17%) and Gondola (17,83%) districts
 - minimum amount: EUR 3.336.250
 - maximum amount: EUR 3.925.000
- **Lot 2 - TETE:** Tsangano, Moatize (70,28%) and Doa (29,72%) districts
 - minimum amount: EUR 2.001.750
 - maximum amount: EUR 2.355.000

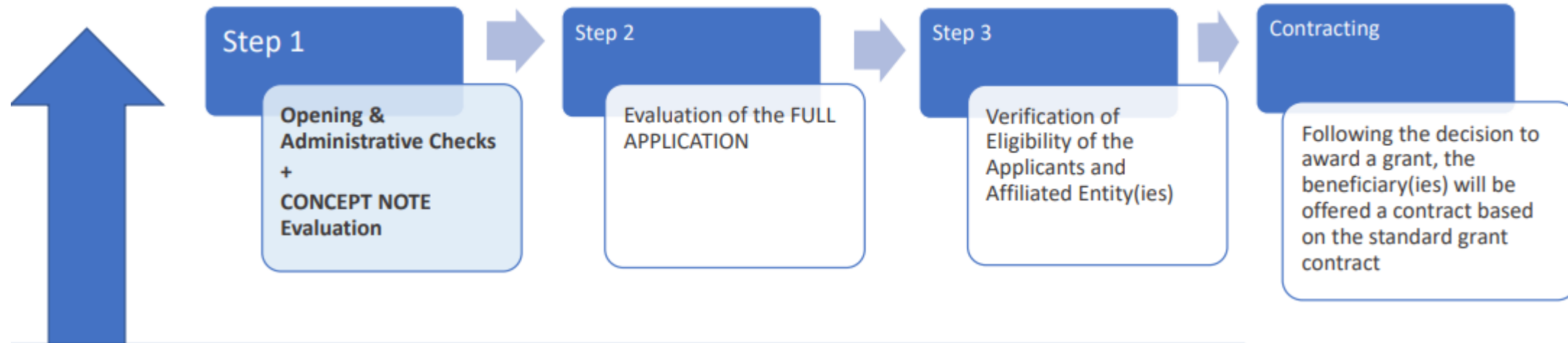
The cost per district must comply with the percentages indicated for each lot

Attention!

Each proposal is expected to cover interventions in all the Districts listed under each lot, within the defined maximum budget.

The budget for Activity 2.1.1 cannot exceed 31,85% of the total budget for each lot

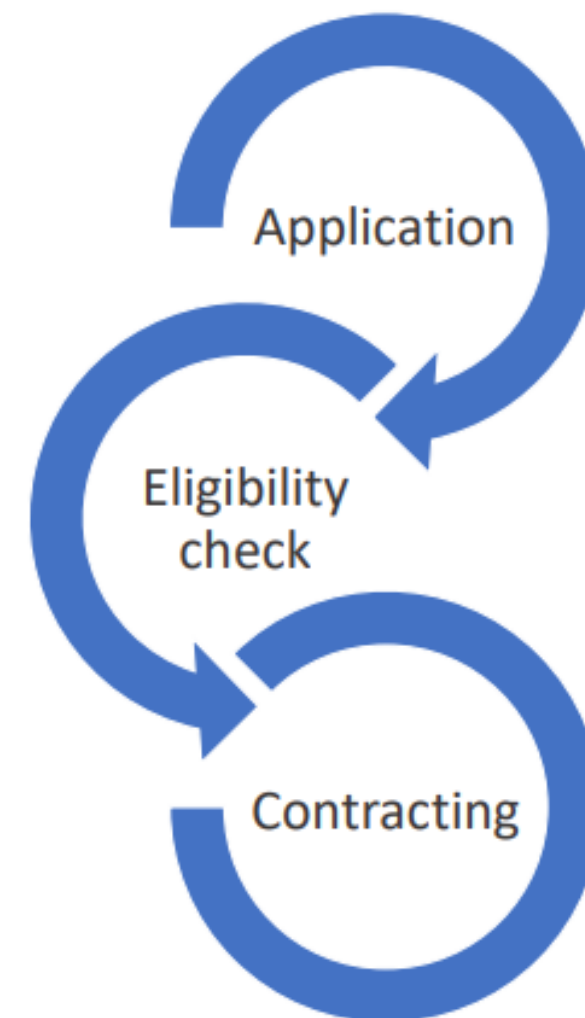
Open Procedures: Concept Note and Full Application



Deadline for Applications: 25 January 2022 (90 days)

Timetable

	DATE	TIME
1. Information meeting (if any)	22/11/2021	15:00
2. Deadline for requesting any clarifications from the contracting authority	04/01/2022	16:00
3. Last date on which clarifications are issued by the contracting authority	14/01/2022	16:00
4. Deadline for submission of applications	25/01/2022	16:00
5. Information to lead applicants on opening, administrative checks and concept note evaluation (Step 1) *	01/02/2022 * tentative	-
6. Information to lead applicants on the evaluation of the full applications (Step 2) *	08/02/2022 * tentative	-
7. Notification of award (after the eligibility check) (Step 3) *	15/02/2022 * tentative	-
8. Contract signature *	03/2022 * tentative	-



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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (Guidelines 2.1)

- Eligibility of the actors: the entity submitting the application form;
- Eligibility of the actions: actions for which a grant may be awarded;
- Eligibility of the costs: types of cost that may be taken into account in setting the amount of the grant.

Eligibility of applicants - Guidelines par. 2.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.1.3

- **Lead applicant:** directly responsible for preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary;
- **Co-applicant:** participate in designing and implementing the action, costs are eligible in the same way as those incurred by the lead applicant. Must satisfy the eligibility criteria as applicable to the lead applicant himself;
- **Affiliated entities:** entities having a structural link with the applicants (i.e. the lead applicant or a co-applicant), in particular a legal or capital link;
- **Associates:** other organisations or individuals may be involved in the action. do not have to meet the eligibility criteria referred to in Section 2.1.1.

Eligible Actions (Guidelines par. 2.1.4)

- **Duration**: may not exceed 32 months
- **Sectors or themes**: Inclusive local economic development; livelihood strategies of rural households; conflict prevention and peace promotion
- **Value-adding principles**
- **Financial support to third parties**: applicants may not propose financial support to third parties
- **Communication and visibility**

Eligible Actions (Guidelines par. 2.1.4)

Number of applications and grants per applicants / affiliated entities

The lead applicant:

- may not submit more than **1 application per lot** under this call for proposals;
- may not be awarded more than **1 grant per lot** under this call for proposals;
- may not be a co-applicant or an affiliated entity in **another application of the same lot at the same time.**

A co-applicant/affiliated entity:

- may not be the co-applicant or affiliated entity in **more than 1 application per lot** under this call for proposals.
- may **not be awarded more than 1 grant per lot** under this call for proposals.

Eligibility of costs (2.1.5)

- The reimbursement of eligible costs may be based on: actual costs incurred by the beneficiary(ies) and affiliated entity(ies);
- In case of pre-financing payments, first pre-financing payment cannot exceed 10,5% of the maximum budget for each lot;
- **Eligible direct costs:** The applicants (and where applicable their affiliated entities) agree that the expenditure verification(s) referred to in Article 15.7 of the general conditions to the standard grant contract will be carried out by any external body authorised by the contracting authority;
- **Eligible indirect costs:** The indirect costs incurred in carrying out the action may be eligible for flat-rate funding, but the total must not exceed 7% of the estimated total eligible direct costs.

Eligibility of costs (2.1.5)

Not eligible costs

The following costs are not eligible:

- **debts and debt service charges** (interest);
- **provisions for losses or potential future liabilities;**
- **costs declared by the beneficiary(ies) and financed by another action or work programme receiving a European Union (including through EDF) grant;**
- **purchases of land or buildings**, except where necessary for the direct implementation of the action, in which case ownership must be transferred in accordance with Article 7.5 of the general conditions of the standard grant contract, at the latest at the end of the action;
- **currency exchange losses;**
- **credit to third parties;**
- **salary costs of the personnel of national administrations.**

Application Form (2.2.1)

- According with the instructions on the concept note and the full applications in the grant application form annexed to these guidelines (**Annex A**);
- In **English language**;
- **One (1) original and one (1) copy in A4 size**, each bound. The complete application form (*Part A: concept note and Part B: full application form*), budget and logical framework must also be supplied in **electronic format** (CD-ROM or USB stick) in a separate and single searchable file (i.e. the application must not be split into several different files). The electronic file must contain exactly the same application as the paper version enclosed.

Applications must be submitted in a sealed envelope by registered mail, private courier service or by hand delivery (a signed and dated certificate of receipt will be given to the deliverer) at the address below:

Postal address and address for hand delivery

Agência Italiana de Cooperação para o Desenvolvimento (AICS) - Sede de Maputo
Rua Damião de Góis, 381
MAPUTO, Mozambique
(Tel.: +258 - 21491787/88)

Applications sent by any other means (e.g. by fax or by e-mail) or delivered to other addresses **will be rejected.**

Lead applicants must verify that their application is complete using the **checklist** (Section 7 of Part B of the grant application form). **Incomplete applications may be rejected.**

Questions may be sent by e-mail no later than **4/01/2022 at 16:00**, indicating clearly the reference of the Call for Proposals (1/2021/DELPАЗ Manica and Tete Sub-Programme/ AICS FED/2020/419-614):

- E-mail address: maputo@pec.aics.gov.it
- With Cc. to the following address: maputo@aics.gov.it

Replies will be sent not later than 11 days before the deadline for the submission of applications (14/01/2022 at 16:00)

Tips 1

PARTNERSHIP:

- Partnerships among international NGOs, public sector operators, local authorities with local partners are **highly valued**;
- Given the complexity of the program, we suggest the activation of strategic, functional partnerships to cover the different areas of intervention, without complicating management and also paying attention to costs.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

- The needs analysis must focus on **those communities most affected by the conflict**, not on the district in general;
- **SDAE and SDPI in the selected districts** have the information updated to facilitate the needs assessments

Tips 2

INSTALLMENTS

- Determined under grant contract;
- According to PRAG General Conditions
- To be specified in the Special Conditions.

GUIDANCE ON ADMIN PROCEDURES:

DEDICATED SESSIONS WITH AWARDEES WILL BE HELD

Time for questions


MAX 30 minutes

(questions in Portuguese or in English)



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**Thank you for your
participation and interest,**

GRAZIE!

Maputo, 22nd November 2021