# **Invitation for Proposals**

UNFPA, United Nations Population Fund, an international development agency, invites qualified non-governmental organizations to submit proposals that will contribute to <u>following</u> <u>outputs of UNFPA's10th Country Programme of Assistance to the Government of Viet Nam for 2022-2026, with a specific focus on population ageing and social protection:</u>

**Output 2:** Strengthening the integrated, inclusive, life-cycle, and gender-transformative social protection system to population ageing and meet the individual needs of the most vulnerable groups.

It also contributes to **Output 1.3**: "The national social protection and social care systems are inclusive, coherent and integrated, applying life-cycle, risk-informed, resilient and gender responsive approaches, with a focus on meeting the needs of the most vulnerable people." of the **Result 1**: "Inclusive social development" of the One Strategic Framework for Sustainable Development Cooperation between UN and Government of Viet Nam for the 2022-2026 period (UNSDCF) (<a href="https://unsdg.un.org/resources/un-sustainable-development-cooperation-framework-viet-nam-2022-2026">https://unsdg.un.org/resources/un-sustainable-development-cooperation-framework-viet-nam-2022-2026</a>)

UNFPA is looking for submissions on promoting social protection and care for older persons (OP) in responding to population ageing aiming to contribute to achieving following **objectives**:

- 1. Development of the legal and policy framework adopting life-cycle and gender transformative approach for the protection of the rights of individuals into old age and their empowerment and social inclusion in development and humanitarian settings, particularly with regard to access to high quality health care, prevention and response to domestic violence, employment opportunities and financial security.
- 2. Development of the comprehensive care system, including institutional and non-institutional, home and community care, with focus attention to vulnerable groups such as ethnic minorities, children, older persons, poor people, people with disabilities (PWDs), and survivors of domestic violence
- 3. Disaggregated data generation for evidence-based policy making on ageing and care as well as for communication to the public on ageing taking life-cycle and gender transformative approach

## Activities under **following topics** will be eligible under this call:

- 1. Strengthening policy framework relating to older persons to better address the needs and concerns of OP in rapid population ageing society.
- 2. Promoting integrated care for older persons through developing linkages and coordination mechanism among community-based and home-based care networks (such as the Intergeneration Self-Help Club (ISHC) network) with institutional care toward development of a care ecosystem for older persons, especially older persons with disabilities (OPWDs).
- 3. Improving national capacity of aged care, especially community-based and home-based care.
- 4. Generating evidence, communications and awareness raising on population ageing and older person issues.

<u>Target groups</u> shall be following: older persons, especially OPWDs; community and home caregivers; older persons associations (OPAs); older populations.

The purpose of the Invitation for Proposals is to identify eligible non-governmental organizations for prospective partnership with UNFPA Viet Nam Country Office to support achievement of above mentioned outputs, outcomes and section 1.3 below.

Organizations that wish to participate in this Invitation for Proposals are requested to send their submission through email clearly marked "NGO Invitation for Proposals" at the following address: <a href="mailto:vbidtender@unfpa.org">vbidtender@unfpa.org</a> by <a href="mailto:5">5 August 2022</a>.

Proposals received after the date and time may not be accepted for consideration.

Applications must be submitted in English.

Any requests for additional information must be addressed in writing by 29 July 2022 at the latest to Ms. Nguyen Boi Ngoc via email: <a href="majoc@unfpa.org">ngoc@unfpa.org</a>. UNFPA will post responses to queries or clarification requests by any NGO applicants who submitted before the deadline for submission of applications.

UNFPA shall notify applying organizations whether it is considered for further action.

Please see <u>Working with UNFPA: Key information for UNFPA Implementing Partners on</u> completing the Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) Assessment.

Section 1: Backg	round	
1.1 UNFPA mandate	UNFPA is the United Nations sexual and reproductive health agency. Our mission is to deliver a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled.	
1.2 UNFPA Programme of Assistance in	In Viet Nam, UNFPA works with the government and other partners to achieve the overall goal of the 10th Country Programme for 2022-2026.	
Türkiye	Further information on the programme can be found on: <a href="https://vietnam.unfpa.org/en">https://vietnam.unfpa.org/en</a> ; <a href="https://vietnam.unfpa.org/en/publications/UNFPA-10th-country-programme-viet-nam-2022-2026">https://vietnam.unfpa.org/en/publications/UNFPA-10th-country-programme-viet-nam-2022-2026</a>	
1.3 Specific results	In this call, UNFPA is looking for proposals that will contribute to following Country Programme output, with a specific focus on population ageing and social protection:  Output 2: Strengthening the integrated, inclusive, life-cycle, and gender-transformative social protection system to population ageing and meet the individual needs of the most vulnerable groups.	

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- Older persons, especially OPWD;
- Caregivers;
- Older populations;
- OPAs.

#### **Section 2: Application requirements and timelines**

2.1 Documentation required for the

submission

The expression of interest shall include the following documentation:

- Copy of provisions of legal status of the NGO in Viet Nam [Required to be eligible for review for both local and INGOs]
- Attachment I NGO Profile and Programme Proposal
- Latest annual report and audit report as separate documents or hyperlink to the documents

2.2 Indicative timelines	Invitation for Proposal issue date	22 July 2022
	Deadline for submissions of proposals	5 August 2022
	Deadline for requests of additional	29 July 2022
	information/ clarifications	
	Review of NGO submissions	10 August 2022
	Notification of results communicated to	12 August 2022
	NGO	

Section 3: Process and timelines						
3.1 Review & evaluation of NGO submissions	Applications will be assessed by a review panel to identify organizations that have the required knowledge, skills, and capacity to support achievement of results <i>using criteria outlined in section 3.2 below</i> .  It should be noted, however, that participation in this Invitation for Proposals does not guarantee the organization will be selected for partnership with UNFPA. Selected NGOs will be invited to enter into an implementing partner agreement and applicable UNFPA programme policy and procedures will apply.					
3.2 Selection criteria	Eligible organizations will be selected in a transparent and competitive manner, based on their capacity to ensure the highest quality of service, including the ability to apply innovative strategies to meet programme priorities in the most efficient and cost-effective manner.  UNFPA Viet Nam office will review evidence provided by the NGO submission and evaluate applications based on the following criteria:  NB: Any proposal not submitted in specified working language will be excluded from consideration.					
	Governance & Leadership  Human Resource	<ul> <li>The organization has a clearly defined mission and goals that reflect the organization's structure and context, as well as alignment to UNFPA priority areas.</li> <li>Organization does not have a history of fraud, complaints or service delivery issues.</li> <li>Organization has sufficient staff resources and technical expertise to implement the proposed activities.</li> <li>Organization does not have conflicts of interest with UNFPA or its personnel that cannot be effectively</li> </ul>				
	Comparative Advantage	<ul> <li>mitigated.</li> <li>The organization's mission and/or strategic plan focuses on at least one of the UNFPA's programme areas.</li> <li>The organization has experience in the country or field and enjoys prominence in areas related to UNFPA's mandate.</li> </ul>				

		<ul> <li>The organization has a proven track record in implementing similar activities and is seen as credible by its stakeholders and partners.</li> <li>The organization has relevant community presence and ability to reach the target audience; especially vulnerable populations and hard-to-reach areas.</li> </ul>
	Monitoring	<ul> <li>The organization has systems and tools in place to systematically collect, analyse and use programme monitoring data.</li> </ul>
	Partnerships	<ul> <li>The organization has established partnerships with the government and other relevant local, international and private sector entities.</li> </ul>
	Environmental Considerations	<ul> <li>The organization has established policies or practices to reduce the environmental impact of its activities. If no policies exist, the organization must not have a history of its activities causing negative impact to the environment.</li> </ul>
3.3 Prospective partnership agreement	UNFPA will inform all applicants of the outcome of their submissions in writing to the email/ postal address indicated in the NGO submission.	