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**Questions and Answers related to the
Call for proposals under the Annual Work Programme 2022
EU4H-2022-PJ-02**

1. Please clarify if this call is only about changing experiences and best practices or actually hiring Ukrainian mental health professionals, who are refugees themselves?

As stated in the call [Mental health assistance for displaced people from Ukraine \(Open call\) - EU4Health \(europa.eu\)](#) (under section C and D description of activities and deliverables); the activities are about both exchanging best practices and implementing them, with the aim to increase awareness and evidence based actions and data; funded activities will also need to include process evaluation of the implementation. The hiring of Ukrainian mental health professionals is not listed as a deliverable.

2. We are partnering with other NGOs from Romania and Poland with the aim to share our experience and unify the processes, methodology, trainings, supervisions. Would this activity be eligible?

Yes, as it is specified in the call under section C “specifically the actions will support interested stakeholders organisations, to discuss and exchange mental health practices and knowledge”.

3. We are partnering with UN International Organization for Migration in our project in Slovakia - is this ok (was not listed in the text, UNHCR was as well as WHO, etc...)? However, if IOM cannot be the partner of the consortium since it is an international organization. Should we partner with them however not allocate any budget for them?

No, as stated under section 6 ‘eligibility’, International Organisations are not eligible applicants for this call. This implies they cannot receive funding. Applicants are, however, entitled to include them e.g. as associated partners (i.e. a partner that does not receive funding) and/or cooperate with in a more informal capacity outside of the consortium Group.

4. We have an umbrella European association called Mental Health Europe with offices at Brussels; however, it does not have its own activities in the neighbouring countries. I do not understand if we should partner with them. Should they apply for the grant and make a consortium with us and NGO from Romania and Poland and Hungary?

As stated under section 6 'eligibility', in order to be eligible for funding, the applicants must be established in one of the eligible countries (EU Member States, EEA countries and countries associated to EU4Health Programme). This is not limited to EU countries that border on Ukraine, and does include Belgium (please refer to section 6 eligibility).

5. (i) Could you clarify if a private for-profit company based in Europe, that works in the field of mental health, can participate in the call? (Given all the other requirements and consortium composition criteria are satisfied of course).

In order to be eligible for funding, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must first of all be legal entities (public or private bodies). Secondly, the specific eligibility criteria further narrows down the type of entity that is eligible: these criteria identify academia and education institutions as eligible, as well as civil society organisations supporting migrants/refugees. In addition, the consortium composition should include at least one NGO (non-for profit) active in the field of mental health and at least one NGO (non-for profit) working in the area of migrants and refugees.

5.(ii) Is a private for-profit company (Small Enterprise) eligible for the call? Even if it operates in the field of mental health, but it does not classify as academia/education institution, NGO, civic society. Is it eligible? or rather NOT?

If the call for this topic lists the applicants specific eligibility criteria, those applying for EU financing contribution **must fulfill the specific eligibility criteria** to be a beneficiary or an affiliated entity to a beneficiary.

In order to be an eligible applicant for TOPIC ID EU4H-2022-PJ-09 https://hadea.ec.europa.eu/news/eur-2-million-call-mental-health-assistance-ukrainian-refugees-2022-04-21_en

need to fulfill the specific eligibility criteria, i.e. you have to be one of the following entities: academia and educational institutions, civil society organisations supporting migrants and refugees (health and social professional associations, schools, foundations, NGOs and similar entities).

Nevertheless, we are not in a position to assess entirely the possibility of your organization participating in the project application with the information you provided. This assessment is part of the selection and evaluation after the submission of the proposal, once we have access to all the needed information.

If, based on the call eligibility and the type of your organization, you notice that you are not amongst the types of listed eligible applicants, you could be involved in a different role in the proposal, e.g. as a subcontractor or associated partner (bearing the cost of your participation).

In the case that the applicants are including an entity like yours as subcontracting within the proposal, please note that subcontracting should normally constitute a limited part of the project. Additionally, it needs to be justified (give reasons). The applicant needs to explain why they are not able to carry on these tasks and therefore are needed to be subcontracted to another entity. If the entity asking for subcontracting is a public body, it needs to follow national procedures for tendering. National public procurement rules apply. This principle applies unless there is a monopoly situation, which will be involved, thus no open procedure will be launched. This explanation should be mentioned in the application if it is the case.

Please note as well that in order to give you a definitive answer; the project application must be assessed in its full complexity.

6. It is comprehended that sports and/or sports organisations are not explicitly mentioned. Yet, there are several best practices and evidence-based actions related to sport and mental health, also across disadvantaged groups (i.e. displaced people). Hence, might I kindly ask you to confirm if sports organisations are eligible to be partners in the consortium, please?

In order to be eligible for funding, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must first of all be legal entities (public or private bodies). The specific eligibility criteria further narrows down the type of entity that is eligible: these criteria identify academia and education institutions as eligible, as well as civil society organisations supporting migrants/refugees. In addition, the consortium composition should include at least one NGO (non-for profit) active in the field of mental health and at least one NGO (non-for profit) working in the area of migrants and refugees. Sports organisations are eligible if they also support the target groups (migrants/refugees).

7. Are British entities, or consortiums featuring British entities, eligible for this call for proposals? We read the guidance and the FAQ but still feel uncertain regarding your stance on this.

Entities established in UK are not eligible under the EU4Health Programme.

8. Can you confirm whether a Georgian NGO dealing with mental health can be considered as eligible for this additional funding for supporting the Ukrainian refugees in Georgia?

Currently, only the EU Member States, Iceland and Norway are eligible for funding under the EU4Health Programme. Georgia is not an associated country to the EU4Health Programme, and therefore it cannot participate as eligible country.

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