

SHR IMPLEMENTATION MECHANISM

Call for proposals

The DCAF Security and Human Rights Implementation Mechanism (SHRIM) is a multi-donor trust fund set up in 2016 to facilitate the implementation of security and human rights good practice on the ground that is cost effective and involves a minimum of bureaucracy. The SHRIM builds on the engagement of committed donors combined with DCAF's extensive experience developing international multi-actor mechanisms to support targeted, cost-effective security, development and human rights programming in fragile contexts. All activities are in line with common strategic priorities agreed by SHRIM members, thus promoting coherence at the international policy and operational levels, consistent with the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness.

An important wider objective of the SHRIM is to foster greater public-private cooperation; the Mechanism promotes partnerships with local, regional and international stakeholders. This objective is shared by other actors in the security and human rights field, including the Voluntary Principles Initiative (VPI) and the International Code of Conduct for Private Security Service Providers (ICoC). Whilst the SHRIM is not formally linked to these initiatives, where objectives overlap, the Steering Committee supports projects that contribute to implementation of these multi-stakeholder initiatives.

Currently, the SHRIM is funded by the United Kingdom and Switzerland.

More information on the SHRIM can be found [here](#).

To enable civil society actors to support implementation of security and human rights good practice on the ground, SHRIM is launching a system of 'calls for proposals'. In total, CHF 50'000 will be allocated for this first phase. A maximum of CHF 20'000 will be allocated per project.

Who can apply?

This call for proposals seeks to support national and local civil society organisations based in the Global South. Applications from International Non Governmental Organizations (INGO) will be considered only in partnership with national and local civil society organizations, with a strong capacity building component. Applications from commercial entities, or individuals will not be considered.

What kind of projects will be selected?

The SHRIM supports projects that focus on implementing security and human rights good practice in fragile contexts. For indicative purposes, examples of ongoing and completed SHRIM projects can be found [here](#). Projects should be no more than 6 months duration and should seek to:

- Build bridges between public and private sectors, through encouraging positive engagement across civil society, governments, the security sector and companies;

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- Develop linkages between local and national level action with relevant international initiatives (e.g. OECD Due Diligence Guidelines, International Code of Conduct Association, United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, Voluntary Principles on Security and Human Rights)
- Encouraging knowledge sharing and lesson learning;
- Show due consideration for concerns of local ownership and sustainability;
- Build capacity of national and local CSOs.

What do I need to do to apply?

Applicants should complete the accompanying project and budget proposal template. Completed applications should be sent to SHRIM@dcaf.ch.

What is the timeframe for applications?

The closing date for this call for proposals is 31 August 2018. Applicants will be notified as to the status of their applications by the end of September 2018.

Additional questions?

Should you have further questions about this process please contact: SHRIM@dcaf.ch
The SHRIM Secretariat will respond to questions in relation to this call for proposals until 15 August 2018.