

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR MONGOLIA

Deadline to submit proposals: Thursday, March 14th, 2013

Indicative Funding Range:

US\$500,000-US\$1,000,000

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The **Global Partnership for Social Accountability** (GPSA) is a coalition of donors, governments and civil society organizations (CSOs) that aims to improve development results by supporting capacity building for enhanced citizen feedback and participation. The GPSA will contribute to country-level governance reforms and improved service delivery. To achieve this objective, the GPSA provides strategic and sustained support to CSOs' social accountability initiatives aimed at strengthening transparency and accountability.

The GPSA is pleased to announce its First Global Call for Proposals. In **Mongolia**, the GPSA seeks proposals on Social Accountability from Civil Society Organizations that will enhance open contracting* practices, so that relevant government agencies can take the necessary corrective measures to improve contract management and implementation. Proposals should aim to:

- ⇒ *Make procurement data and associated contract information available and user friendly for citizens and key stakeholders, such as media and academic institutions.*
- ⇒ *Monitor the award and implementation of contracts at national, aimag and UB city levels with a focus on priority areas of infrastructure and service delivery.*
- ⇒ *Foster a national policy dialogue to improve the national procurement system and institutionalize open contracting.*

Proposals that strengthen coalitions among CSOs to ensure coordinated and comprehensive contract monitoring across Mongolia will be prioritized.

Proposals may focus on one or more of the above mentioned priority areas.

GPSA Funding Modalities

- ***Social Accountability Initiatives and Programs.***
- ***Mentoring and capacity-building of nascent CSO, including on-granting.*** These proposals must be submitted by CSOs with proven track record on social accountability, that are legal entities in one of the "opted-in" countries and the activities should take place in one of these countries.
- ***Strengthening Institutional Capacity of CSOs working on SAcc.***

Grants can support:

- Up to 100% of project's total cost.
- Up to 50% of total organization budget.
- Projects with an estimated duration of 3 to 5 years.

What is a Civil Society Organization for the purpose of a GPSA?

- Non-government organizations,
- Not-for-profit media organizations,
- Charitable organizations,
- Faith-based organizations,
- Professional organizations,
- Labor unions,
- Workers' organizations,
- Associations of elected local representatives
- Foundations,
- Policy development institutes
- Research institutes.

Eligibility Criteria for Civil Society Organizations

- **Legal status:** the recipient needs to be a legal entity in **Mongolia** and provide proof of such legal status;
- **Representation:** key criteria are community ties, accountability to members or beneficiaries, diversity and gender sensitivity;
- **Governance:** sound internal management policies and practices, comprising organizational dimensions, such as clear management roles and responsibilities, clear methods of planning and organizing activities, human capital, financial and technical resources, and partnerships;
- **Transparency:** including disclosure of sources of funding, financial accountability and governance transparency;
- **Fiduciary capacity:** ability to meet applicable World Bank policies for grants;
- **Institutional capacity:** appropriate scale of operations, facilities, and equipment;
- **Competence:** proposed executing team possesses relevant skills and experience across all areas for which activities have been proposed;
- **Proven track record:** organization can provide evidence of its experience (at least 3-5 years) in the area of the call for proposals, and a vision matching the goals of the GPSA.

**Open Contracting refers to practices and methodologies for increased transparency and participatory monitoring in public contracting from pre-award activities through contract award, disclosure and implementation.*

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