



CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR NAMIBIA

Deadline to submit proposals: January 6, 2014

The **Global Partnership for Social Accountability (GPSA)** supports civil society and governments to work together to solve critical governance challenges in developing countries. To achieve this objective, the GPSA provides strategic and sustained support to CSOs' social accountability initiatives aimed at strengthening transparency and accountability. It builds on the World Bank's direct and ongoing engagement with public sector actors, as well as a network of Global Partner organizations, to create an enabling environment in which *citizen feedback is used to solve fundamental problems in service delivery and to strengthen the performance public institutions*. Through a country-tailored approach, GPSA-supported activities are implemented in sectors where the World Bank has a strong involvement and can help governments respond to citizen feedback.

The GPSA works to "close the loop" by supporting citizens to have a more articulated voice, helping governments to listen, and assisting government agencies act upon the feedback they receive.

The GPSA is pleased to announce its 2nd Global Call for Proposals. In **Namibia**, the GPSA seeks proposals for Social Accountability initiatives and programs from Civil Society Organizations **to address one or all of the following:**

- ⇒ *Monitor and report on implementation of programs under National Development Plan IV to reduce poverty and inequality, especially in areas of nutrition/food security, housing, water and sanitation, social protection, or other priority areas of NDP4. The information produced will be used by the respective line minister to ensure that the objectives of the NDP4 are being met.*
- ⇒ *Monitor and report on implementation of programs under National Development Plan IV to increase employment, especially in targeted sectors (agriculture, manufacturing, tourism, and transport and logistics) and including efforts by private enterprise as well as by the government in sectors identified in NDP4. The information produced will be used by the respective line minister to ensure that the objectives of the NDP4 are being met.*
- ⇒ *Link any of the above themes to institutional strengthening activities and capacity-building through a "learning-by-doing" approach that will result in an increased capacity to implement social accountability.*

Following the GPSA's approach, it is expected that the information produced will also be used by other public sector institutions beyond the Executive, including Supreme Audit Institutions, legislative bodies, independent regulatory agencies, and other oversight bodies.

In order to be considered, proposals must demonstrate clearly that:

1. The project will push the boundaries from pilots to large-scale interventions that may be replicated country-wide;
2. The proposed intervention is related to ongoing initiatives focusing on similar objectives. It should identify the value added of GPSA support;
3. It proposes wide-range partnerships with other CSOs that would enable the proposal to achieve a large scale and leverage existing experience; and
4. The project will generate information that is needed to complement existing processes already supported by relevant public institutions.

GPSA supports proposals that:

- Have an estimated duration of 3 to 5 years, in order to enable sustained and strategic funding for Social Accountability;
- Propose a detailed budget for total grant amounts in the indicative funding range between US\$500,000 and US\$1,000,000. Funding requests below this range will be considered. The requested funds must correlate with the proposal's duration.

Eligible CSOs: Legal entities that fall outside the public or for profit sector, such as 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 and policy development and research institutes. Applicant CSO must provide proof of legal status in one of GPSA's eligible ("opted-in") countries.

Please review the GPSA Application Guidelines for details about how to apply for a grant, eligibility requirements, selection criteria and selection process.

If you are interested in applying please visit www.worldbank.org/gpsa to read the GPSA Application Guidelines and to access the application forms.

For information on the Orientation Session organized by the World Bank offices in Namibia please contact:

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by close of business on Tuesday, November 19 to RSVP

Orientation Session:

Wednesday, November 20, 2013 starting at 15:00 and ending at 17:00
Commissioners' Boardroom
National Planning Commission, 2nd floor
Government Office Park, Block D2
Luther Street