



CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR BRAZIL

Deadline to submit proposals: August 21, 2015

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 3rd Global Call for Proposals. In **Brazil**, the GPSA seeks proposals for Social Accountability initiatives and programs from Civil Society Organizations **to address one or all of the following:**

- ⇒ **Develop and implement social accountability mechanisms to monitor the provision of education services** (e.g. Procurement of Books, Teacher absenteeism, School infrastructure). Proposals should preferably cover policies and programs which involve resources transfers from the Federal government. The outcomes and information produced will support the educational bodies, policy-makers and practitioners to improve transparency and quality of education sector.
- ⇒ **Develop and implement social accountability mechanisms to monitor the provision of Ombudsman services** (for example, evaluation of Ombudsman services and offices, infrastructure for registering complaints and exchange of information about complaints related to the delivery of public services). Proposals should ideally cover the Federal Ombudsman services. The results and information produced will support the Ombudsman offices to improve transparency and quality of their work in monitoring the delivery of different public services.
- ⇒ **Develop and implement social accountability mechanisms to monitor the implementation of the Access to Information Law.** Proposals may also include mechanisms for institutional strengthening and capacity building of civil society organizations that wish to undertake monitoring activities in this area, as well as the evaluation of information and data from different levels of government. The outcomes of the project will support the different bodies tasked with implementing the Access to Information Law in improving transparency measures and information services to citizens.

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 proposed intervention complements ongoing initiatives in the area of participatory budgeting such as the commitments in Brazil in its Open Government Partnership (OGP) Action Plan;
2. The project will push the boundaries from pilots to large-scale interventions that may be replicated country-wide;

3. The proposed intervention is related to ongoing initiatives focusing on similar objectives. It should identify the value added of GPSA support;
4. It proposes clear mentoring and partnership with other CSOs (local and national) and community-based organizations; and
5. 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;
- To find out the indicative funding range for the 3rd Global Call for Proposals, please visit our website at www.thegpsa.org

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.thegpsa.org to read the GPSA Application Guidelines and to access the application forms.

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