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# CALL for ORGANISATIONS

in the frame of the project '*Civil Society Platform for Social Inclusiveness*' – implemented by CANGO and PuntoSud and co-funded by the European Union

**Deadline for submissions:  
1<sup>st</sup> May 2023, 20.00 hrs (Eswatini time)**

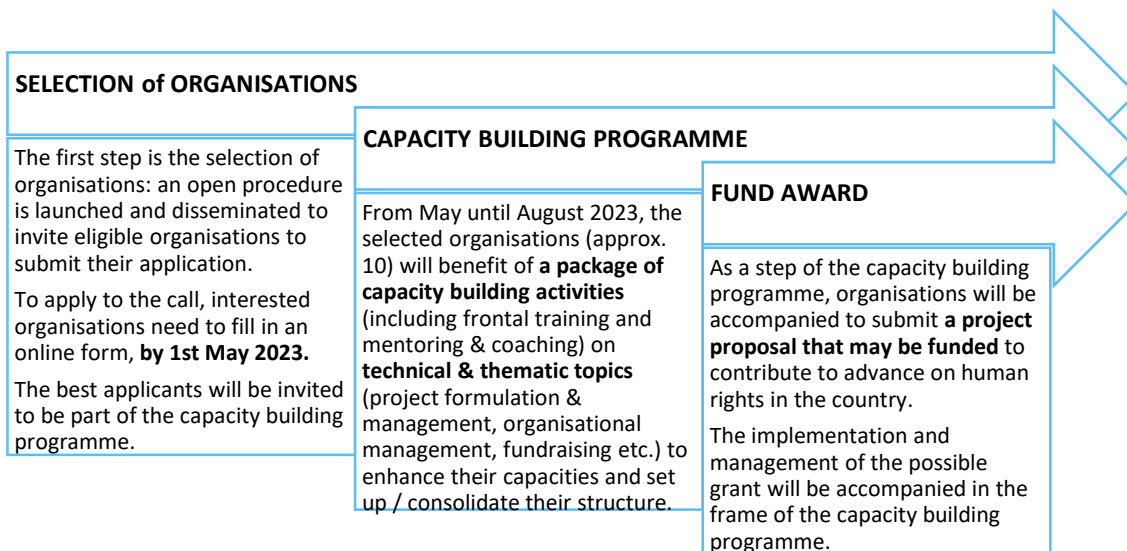
## 1. Project background

'Civil Society Platform for Social Inclusiveness' is a 42-month project funded by the European Union that started in February 2020 that recognises that, while the Kingdom of Eswatini has ratified all international human rights conventions, including ICCP and MESKP, as well as recognized several of these rights in the Constitution, the actual implementation of the provisions contained in the documents is lagging behind.

The project stems from the contacts and the joint effort of CANGO and PuntoSud to support civil society organisations in the country and its strategy is fully informed by the need for coordinated and joint action of concerned civil society organisations to demand necessary reforms. It indeed builds on the position of CANGO as NGO umbrella organisation, with existing active structures especially the Governance & Human Rights Consortium under CANGO. Fully in line with the EU-EIDHR objectives, the main change the proposed project aims at achieving is the consolidation of a culture of inclusivity and tolerance in the country, which is able to facilitate the discussions and the exchanges among various stakeholders, including civil society organisations, government institutions, traditional leaders and others. This is meant to engage on the key relevant issues related to the enforcement of the democratic governance in the country, and in particular of the freedom of expression and of assembly, bridging the existing gaps in the communication among the stakeholders and reducing the differences among the interests at stake. This is believed to contribute concretely to set the basis for a more conducive environment, where human rights are protected, promoted and enjoyed, as well as gender equality and empowerment of women is fostered.

## 2. Objectives of the call

Within the framework of the project, the present call is launched to select **indicatively 10 small organisations**, established in Eswatini, who meet the eligibility criteria (see paragraph 3. Who may apply), to be embarked on a capacity building programme aimed at enhancing their capacities and their contribution to advance the human rights in the country. In addition to the capacity building activities, the selected organisations may have the opportunity of being awarded funding (approx. 25.000 – 100.000 Emalangen) to implement activities to contribute to the full endorsement of human rights in Eswatini. The call is outlined as follows:



### 3. Who may apply

In order to be selected, applicants are not for profit organisations who must:

- a. be a registered CSO in Eswatini (or started the procedure of registration), **and**
- b. be established in Eswatini **and**
- c. be active at local and/or grassroots level in advancing human rights **and**
- d. operate independently or operating through a fiscal host

In addition to the above minimum criteria, some additional & preferential criteria are added. Interested organisations preferably (not in order of priority):

- a. have an interest in participating in capacity development activities, aimed at enhancing organisations' capacities to perform more effectively for the benefit of the advancement of human rights in the country;
- b. had a budget of less than 5 million Emalangeneni in the last financial year (2022) and/or had an average budget of the same amount in the last 3 financial years (2020, 2021, 2022)
- c. have an active (organisation) bank account
- d. have clear governance mechanisms in place
- e. have a significant outreach and/or intend to transfer knowledge & capacity acquired in the capacity development activities to their constituency(ies)

An evaluation committee composed of an odd number of experts shall be appointed by the project partners to evaluate the applications. Evaluation grids, prepared on the basis of the above criteria, will be used to evaluate the applications.

### 4. How to apply

Interested applicants shall fill in the on-line application form, which is available at this link [Call for organisations application](#). With the aim to facilitate the understanding of the information that is required in the application process, a pdf copy of the application is annexed to the present document. **Please note that applications filled in on paper, or in any other different way, will not be accepted.**

The following information is required as mandatory:

- On the organisation (general details) and on its activities
- Budget managed in the last financial year and the average budget of the last 3 financial years
- On the governance mechanisms in place
- On the existing capacities & expertise

In addition, the application form will require the upload of the certificate of registration of the organisation and of its statute.

Additional information and/or documentation may be requested as evidence of the information provided, during the evaluation of the applications, if needed by the Evaluation Committee to clarify possible incoherence and inconsistencies.

Some relevant information on the application process:

- Should there be untruthful information provided in the application process, applications may be rejected on this sole basis.
- It is necessary to have a google email address to fill in the application.
- No need to fill in the application form in one go and all at once. The form may be filled in partially and the information will be saved automatically in the drive. The draft application

- may be retrieved by using the link of the application. Only after the final submission, the information will be uploaded in the system and the application will be registered.
- After the submission of the application, a copy of the application will be sent to the email address entered in the form (**please, make sure you enter the correct email address in the application**).
  - Applications may be submitted before 20.00 hrs (Eswatini time) of 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023. At 20.00 hrs, the form will be set not to accept any further application.

## 5. During the application process

With the aim to support interested organisations to apply:

- An information session will be undertaken and venue & time will be communicated through CANGO website and social media platforms.
  - The information session will also be streamed on the [CANGO Facebook page](#).
- At any time, starting from the launch of the call **until 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023**, information and clarifications **only on the call and on the application process** may be requested **only via email**, to the address [cspi.eswatini@gmail.com](mailto:cspi.eswatini@gmail.com). Information and clarification on other topics and/or requested using other channels will not be considered.
  - Answers will be provided via email (within 48 hours indicatively) to those who asked for additional information.
  - In addition, with the aim to ensure that the information provided will be accessible to all interested organisations and potential applicants, the responses provided to the enquiries received will be published as FAQs in the CANGO website.

## 6. Indicative calendar

The following is the indicative calendar:

<b>Information session</b>	Venue & time to be confirmed Streaming on <a href="#">CANGO Facebook page</a>
<b>Request of clarification / additional information</b>	Only via email until 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
<b>Deadline for submitting applications</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023, 20.00 hrs (Eswatini time)
<b>Disclosure of the evaluation results</b>	By 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
<b>Capacity building programme</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> May – end of August 2023

The organisations who will be selected to be embarked in the capacity building programme may be awarded a sub-grant in the frame of the CSPI project. Possible sub-grants are indicatively scheduled to start in June and last for 2-3 months – their amount may range between 25.000 and 100.000 Emalangeni.

## 7. Annex

Application template