

Call for bids: British High Commission in Malta's Bilateral Programme Fund 2021-22

World news story

The British High Commission in Malta (BHC) is currently accepting proposals for innovative projects, with concrete objectives and measurable policy outcomes.



The British High Commission will run a competitive bidding process in order to ensure we use our allocation for high quality projects that deliver maximum impact and value for money.

The project funds are designated to support links between the UK and Malta in several priority areas through small-scale, high-impact project interventions (up to €20,000).

Proposals should be related to one of the following policy areas:

- environment and climate change
- open societies and media freedom
- strengthening rule of law and justice

We are looking for projects that deliver real, measurable results in support of the abovementioned priorities in these countries and are particularly interested in proposals aimed at the following objectives:

- support delivery of ambitious environmental targets and plans ahead of COP26 and beyond, including technical support and capacity building to institutions, businesses and youth working on climate issues
- support delivery transitions to clean growth in Malta's economy
- develop responsibility in government, society and business to take action on the impact of climate change on the environment and biodiversity
- support media freedom, including strengthening of responsible journalism, fighting misinformation and improving the enabling environment in which freedom of the press is protected and respected
- promote responsibility of society, business and government working together, including through Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) to prevent organised crime including such as international financial crime, Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking (MSHT) and Cyber Crime
- support protection of victims of crime, including MSHT, domestic and gender based violence and exploitation.
- support a robust and independent legal community by engaging with young lawyers with a focus on criminal law to share best practice, mentoring and leadership development

Who may bid

In order to be eligible, your organisation or agency must be a legal entity, commercial company, a registered non-governmental (NGO) or governmental organisation, and must demonstrate:

- proof of legal registration
- previous experience in delivering and managing projects
- preferably previous experience working with international agencies/organisations
- the capacity to deliver at least 75% of the proposed project activity by mid-December 2021

How to bid

Proposals should be presented by 19 July 2021, using the [Concept Bid Form](#) (ODT, 27.8KB)

Each institution may submit up to a maximum of 2 proposals.

Only short-listed applicants will be asked to submit a full [Project Proposal Form](#) (ODT, 35.8KB) and an [Activity Based Budget](#) (ODS, 8.33KB) by 31 July 2021.

Please send all project documents to bhcvalleta@fcdo.gov.uk

In the subject line of the email, please indicate "BHC Projects NAME OF

ORGANISATION” and include the project title. Please send one email per proposal.

Date	Activity
5 July	Call for bids
19 July	Deadline for project implementers to send Concept Bid forms
19–23 July	Embassy’s Projects Board to revise and sift eligible proposals
23 July	Follow-up with pre-selected candidates
31 July	Deadline for candidates to send the Project Proposal Form and the Activity Based Budget

Bid guidance

- projects are funded for delivery during a single financial year, running from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022, with no expectation of continued funding beyond this period
- concept notes must outline how budgets are to be spent, with a clear consideration of providing value for money
- project proposals must include a communications strategy on how the project will be visible in country.

Attachments

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