

News story: BEQ calls for bids for its Bilateral Cooperation Fund 2019-20

The BEQ 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 Ecuador in a number of priority areas through small-scale, high-impact project interventions (up to USD 15,000).

Proposals should related to one of the following policy areas:

- gender based violence prevention, gender inclusion and women's and girls' empowerment;
- human Rights, media freedom, disability rights;
- environment and climate change;
- crisis Preparedness;
- anti-corruption and transparency.

Who may bid?

In order to be eligible, your organisation or agency must be a legal entity, not-for-profit or 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 85% of the proposed project activity by mid-December 2019

How to bid?

Proposals should be presented using this Concept Bid form (attached below).

Each institution may submit up to a maximum of 3 proposals.

Short-listed applicants will be asked to submit a full Project Proposal Form and an Activity Based Budget by 26 June. The Embassy will only follow up with short-listed applicants and will send them the relevant templates directly.

**Please send all project documents to
BritishEmbassy.Quito@fco.gov.uk**

In the subject line of the email, please indicate "BEQ Projects_NAME OF ORGANISATION" and include the project title.

The deadline for submission of Concept Notes is Friday 31 May, 2019

- 3 May – Call for bids announcement
- 31 May – Deadline for implementers to submit Concept Bid Forms
- 3 – 6 June – Proposals reviewed by the BEQ Projects Board
- 7 June – Follow-up with short-listed proposals
- 26 June – Deadline for implementers to submit Project Proposal Forms and Activity Based Budget
- 3 July – Final review of proposals by BEQ Projects Board
- 5 July – Outcome of successful bids notified to implementers

Bid guidance

- projects are funded for delivery during a single financial year running from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020, 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.

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