



WORKING THE GATEWAY

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Funding opportunities

When it comes to funding opportunities, it's crucial to know where to look. To get a comprehensive understanding of how a call for proposals works, it's best to reach out directly to the fund Secretariat. They can provide valuable insights into the specific processes and requirements involved. This is the entity responsible for publishing and distributing information regarding calls for proposals and plays a pivotal role in ensuring transparency and accountability throughout the process.

Two ways of accessing information on funding opportunities:

- 1 the [funding opportunities page](#)
- 2 [contacting the fund secretariat directly](#).

1 In the GW top navigation, hover over the **Resources** tab and from the drop-down menu click on **Funding opportunities**.

The screenshot shows the United Nations MPTF Office Partners Gateway website. The top navigation bar includes 'Trust Funds', 'Partners', 'Pooled funding', 'Resources', and 'About us'. The 'Resources' dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Analyze All Data', 'Document center', 'Results for SDGs', 'Funding opportunities' (highlighted), 'Investment opportunities', and 'Terminology'. The main content area features a header with the MPTF Office logo and the text 'Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office | Gateway - The United Nations centre of expertise on pooled funding mechanisms'. Below the header are three sections: 'KEY FIGURES', 'PARTNERSHIPS', and 'KNOWLEDGE'. The 'KNOWLEDGE' section displays four document covers: '2023 Financing the UNDS Report...', 'MPTF Office 2022 Annual Report', 'Stakeholder Forum Background paper...', and 'Designing Pooled Funds for...'. The 'Funding opportunities' option in the dropdown menu is highlighted in grey.



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RESOURCES

Funding call for proposals

Local calls simplify the financing process for stakeholders implementing transformative and context-relevant projects that result in meaningful progress. Grants not only go towards new projects with funds also made available for the continuation of programmes or when scaling up successful initiatives.

The bottom line is to reach the most marginalized, embedding principles of equity, transparency and accountability, and unlocking alternative sources of public and private capital. All gains leveraged through multi-partner trust fund financing go towards making inroads for 2030 Agenda achievement.



Purpose of the 'call': Ramping up efficiency, accountability, and innovation

Most multi-partner trust fund secretariats issue **calls for proposals**, so interested partners (current or prospective) can pitch fund-related projects. Not only does this encourage ongoing stakeholder engagement, but it supports SDG gains across the humanitarian-development nexus.

Depending on the fund and context, international and local NGOs, civil society organizations, government institutions, and private sector outfits may be eligible to receive blended sources of financing that are used in the design and delivery of innovative and effective initiatives that contribute to sustainable, multi-level action.



The application process

Fund secretariats often welcome proposals from a range of interested stakeholders—with United Nations organizations and civil society partners being the biggest bidders and contenders. Depending on the fund, stakeholders are at liberty to submit various types of proposals. The *Peacebuilding Fund* Secretariat accepts proposals from three tiers of applicants (maximum three joint UN recipient agencies, UN and civil-society organizations, and civil society organizations as direct recipients). Other funds, meanwhile, finance collaborators through dedicated windows or issue-focused response grants.



In most cases, a successful proposal passes through two stages, the first comprising Q+A sessions, concept note design, online submission, and panel of experts review. Fund secretariats communicate results to all applicants within eight to twelve weeks following the close of a call.



For more information on specific calls, thematic areas of focus, eligibility, guidelines, terms and conditions, deadlines, and focal points, visit the fund webpage or contact the responsible secretariat for more details.

Ongoing and past calls for proposals

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Here, you can find details on the call for proposals and the application processes.

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Size of Grants & Funding

The financial cap per joint programme is USD 3 million, with each allocation to approved proposal no less than USD 1,500,000. Programmes should be completed within 2-3 years from the date of disbursement of funds.

The JP proposal should be submitted by the Resident Coordinators Office to the IDSF secretariat mona.folkesson@un.org no later than **2 October 2023, 23.59 GVA time**.

[Download a description of the funding round here.](#)

[Click here for more information about the fund.](#)

Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund - Completed

The United Nations Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund is pleased to inform you of the launch of its third Call for Proposals in Uganda. This Call for Proposals seeks to provide grants for local grassroots organizations working on protection of women and girls and conflict prevention with local women's and young women's rights organizations.

This call seeks to fund qualifying local organizations in Uganda through the following funding streams:

Programmatic funding from 30,000 USD to 200,000 USD

To finance programmatic activities of CSOs aimed at (i) Increased meaningful participation and decision-making of women in conflict prevention processes and response (in line with WPHF impact area 2); and (ii) Enhanced safety, security and mental health of women and girls' and their human rights respected (in line with WPHF impact area 5).

Institutional funding from 2,500 USD to 30,000 USD

To reinforce the institutional capacity of women's rights and women-led organizations working on the implementation of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Uganda to ensure they are able to sustain themselves and to improve their impact (in line with WPHF impact area 1).

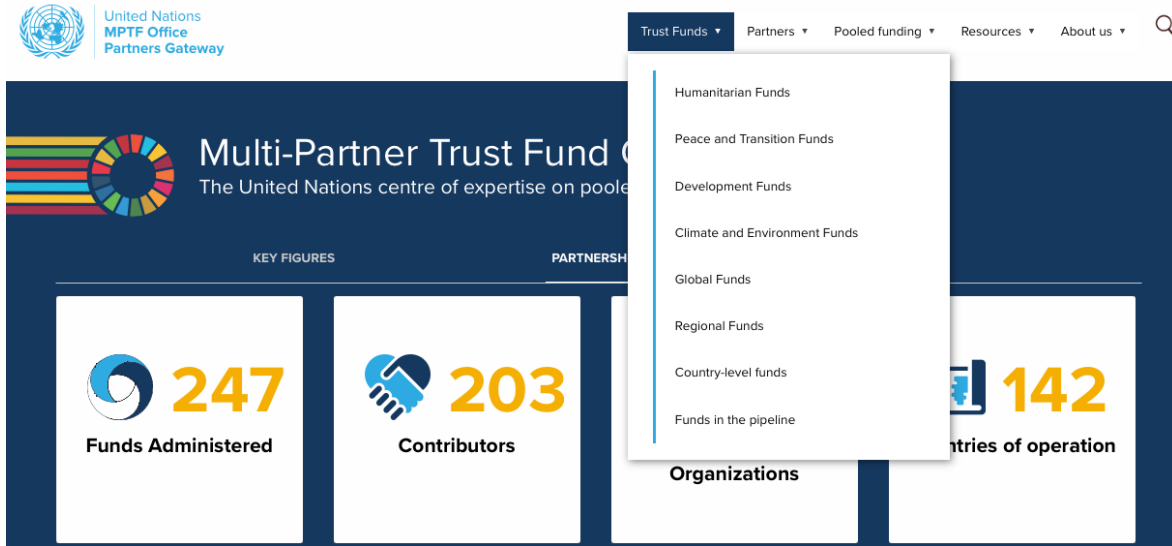
The application deadline is **2 October 2023**.

It's important to note that the specifics can vary from one fund to another, depending on their individual needs and goals or internal guidelines.

see next page for 2 contacting fund secretariats directly



2 On the Gateway's main Trust Funds page, you can find funds that are directly related to your area of action.



You can search for funds based on themes and geographical scope, making it easier to discover the ones that best fit your needs.

POOLED FUND PORTFOLIO

Explore funds by theme

The MPTF Office organizes its portfolio around thematic clusters that cover major areas of UN action (humanitarian, transition, development and climate). Some funds address multiple categories that include the allocation of flexible resources for projects across the humanitarian-peace-development nexus.

HUMANITARIAN
FUNDS



PEACE AND
TRANSITION
FUNDS

DEVELOPMENT
FUNDS

CLIMATE AND
ENVIRONMENT
FUNDS

POOLED FUND PORTFOLIO

Explore funds by geographical scope

The MPTF Office administers pooled funds to achieve results in diverse geographic areas. Several spur global action while others make development gains in a single country or specific region.

GLOBAL FUNDS

REGIONAL FUNDS

COUNTRY LEVEL
FUNDS



Once you've identified a fund of interest, you can explore existing projects and initiate the application process by contacting the fund Secretariat.

The screenshot shows the website for the Systematic Observations Financing Facility. At the top, there are icons for SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDG 17 (Partnerships for Sustainable Development). The main heading is "Systematic Observations Financing Facility" with the subtitle "Weather-based observations to strengthen climate adaptation and resilient development". A navigation menu includes "Overview", "Contributors", "Financials", "Objectives", "Governance", "Projects", "Results", "News", "Documents", and "Contacts" (which is highlighted with a yellow box). There is also a "Tools" dropdown menu. The "Contacts" page content includes:

- CONTACTS**
- Points of contact**
- Policy and Programmes**
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