

# Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF)

#### **Project Document**

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#### WPHF's Outcome indicator the project will be reporting on:

- 4.1. Number of women that participate in formal peace processes or negotiations
- 4.2. Existence of gender responsive elements/provisions in peace agreements, dialogues, and/or decision-making processes
- 4.3 Types of strategies used/implemented to participate in and contribute to the peace process and/or implementation of a peace agreement

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#### A. Background

Nearly 25 years after the adoption of the landmark UN security Council Resolution 1325, the world is experiencing a reversal of generational gains in women's rights while violent conflicts, military expenditures, military coups, displacements and hunger continue to increase. In several countries, violent extremist groups and military actors have taken power by force, revoking previous commitments on gender equality and persecuting women for speaking up or simply for going about their daily lives<sup>1</sup>. "Women continue to face entrenched barriers to direct participation in peace and political processes, and women's organizations struggle to find resources while military spending continues to grow every year<sup>2</sup>. In peace processes, negotiating parties continue to regularly exclude women, and impunity for atrocities against women and girls is still prevalent. As recognized by the UN Secretary-General in his call to action for Human Rights, concrete measures are needed to overcome longstanding barriers and fast-track women's direct participation in peace and political processes. This requires actively engaging women's groups and women-led civil society organizations, integrating gender in political and conflict analysis, and putting specific measures in place to ensure women's equality in these processes. Women's direct participation as mediators, negotiators and signatories remains an exception despite repeated calls for change<sup>3</sup>. The political space for women to participate in decision-making on peace and security is decreasing<sup>4</sup>.

Women's full, equal, and meaningful participation in all efforts to build sustainable peace is firmly rooted in the principles of equality and non-discrimination enshrined in the United Nations Charter and international humanitarian and Human Rights law. This right is at the heart of the women, peace and security agenda. There is evidence of the value of women's meaningful participation in peace processes and implementation, with the likelihood of reaching more sustainable and inclusive<sup>5</sup>. Advocating for and supporting targeted measures to advance women's direct participation is critical for advancing substantive equality and building inclusive and sustainable peace<sup>6</sup>. The UN are at the heart of this dynamic. In 2022, women participated as conflict party negotiators or delegates in four of five active United Nations (co)led peace processes<sup>8</sup>. However, their representation stood only at 16 per cent, a further drop compared to 19 per cent in 2021 and 23 per cent in 2020. Without active measures by the United Nations, this number would have been even lower. All five United Nations (co)led peace processes consulted substantively with women civil society and were provided with gender expertise. Despite good faith efforts, when processes were blocked or stalled, opportunities for inclusion were substantially restricted<sup>7</sup>.

Diverse women's meaningful participation in peace processes is not only a question of Human Rights and women's rights, but one of accountability and justice, which are key to a sustainable peace. Engaging with and supporting women civil society organizations is essential to increase community-buy in, bottom up and inclusive decision-making processes to shift dynamics and broaden the issues discussed. Studies have shown that collaboration and knowledge building among diverse women groups, including linkages between women signatories and women civil society groups, contributes to better content of peace agreements and higher implementation rates of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> UN Secretary General Women and Peace and Security Annual report, October 2022, S/2022/740, p.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> UN Secretary General Women and Peace and Security Annual report, October 2022, S/2023/725, p.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> NGO Working group 2023 Open Letter to Permanent Representatives to the United Nations in advance of the annual Open Debate on Women, Peace and Security, 16 october 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Peace Talks in Focus 2022. Report on Trends and Scenarios.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> UN Women, Christine Bell (2018) Accessing Political Power: Women and Political Power-Sharing in Peace Processes p.4; Similary a hundred studies indicate a link between sex and gender inequality and violent outcomes (Cohen and Karim, 2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> UN Secretary General Women and Peace and Security Annual report, October 2023, S/2023/725, p.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> UN Secretary General Women and Peace and Security Annual report, October 2023, S/2023/725, p.3.



agreement provisions. This subsequently contributes to addressing root causes of conflict and supporting women in leading on reconciliation and rebuilding social cohesion, defining security, helping build gender-sensitive infrastructure and much more.

In order to accelerate the implementation of this agenda, in October 2019, in his annual report on Women, peace and security,<sup>9</sup> the UN Secretary General called on the Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF) to open a Rapid Response Window on women's participation in peace negotiations:

(f) To support rapid response funds to advance the meaningful participation of women in peace processes, which includes financial support for travel, visas, childcare, translation and related expenses, in particular by providing resources to the new window in the Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund; (j) United Nations entities are requested to identify resources in support of the meaningful participation of women in peace negotiations and the implementation of peace agreements, and the Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund is called upon to consider opening a rapid response window that allows for such support for women to participate in peace negotiations and the implementation of peace agreements.

Gaps in terms of rapid and flexible funding support for civil society led strategic initiatives to influence peace processes and peace agreement implementation continue to exist. Other existing funding mechanisms such as the UN Peacebuilding Fund and DPPA Multi Year Appeal, provide long term and larger amounts of funding support to international civil society organizations (UN PBF) or rapid support but mostly to UN and government stakeholders (DPPA MYA).<sup>10</sup>

After a two years pilot phase with significant results in terms of supporting CSOs and Women peacebuilders, building partnership and advocacy initiatuves with International Non-governmental organizations (INGO), feminist organizations and UN entities around the world, the RRWs relevance continues to grow and has shown significant impact in addressing the funding gaps for women peacebuilders and women's civil society organizations to influence and participate in peace processes and the implementation of peace agreements. For example, in 2022, the RRW has supported the participation of at least 290 women and young women, including 5 women with disabilities, to formal Track 1 &2 peace negotiations. A total of 26,308 people (72% women) directly benefited from interventions and direct support from the CSOs and 271,934 people benefited indirectly through various outreach and social media interventions to influence peace agreements in their countries. The RRW has enhanced the coordination and connection between local women's rights grassroots organizations, establishing four CSOs coalitions and women peacebuilders networks in Yemen, Ethiopia, Cameroon and Syria. In addition, 13 evidence-based advocacy agenda, policy papers, strategic engagement action plans and studies channeling the needs of women peacebuilders and their recommendations on effective mechanisms to increase their influence on formal and informal peace processes, were developed and disseminated amongst international community representatives and key decision makers, from Yemen, Cameroon, Mali, Cameroon, DRC, Eswatini, Mozambique, Syria (2), Palestine, Libya, Colombia and Guatemala<sup>11</sup>.

Building on these achievements and some gaps identified, the RRW is embarking on a promising new phase of 3 years to strengthen outreach and visibility particularly in emerging priority countries, provide additional supports to CSOs and improve the flexibility and the rapidity of the funding mechanism. The dynamism of the RRW has

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Jana Krause, Werner Krause & Piia Bränfors (2018) Women's Participation in Peace Negotiations and the Durability of Peace, International Interactions, 44:6, 985-1016, DOI: 10.1080/03050629.2018.1492386

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> UN Secretary General Women and Peace and Security Annual report, 9 October 2019, S/2019/800, p.37

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> A broader mapping on resources allocated to civil society on peace processes would be needed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund annual report 2022.



posed operational challenges that require some adjustments to build a more coordinated, coherent, and contributive approach to meet the expectations.

#### B. Purpose and Functions of the Rapid Response Window (RRW)

The WPHF Funding Board established the Rapid Response Window on women's participation in peace processes during its annual 2020 meeting, held on April 6th.

The RRW's overall objective is to support women's meaningful participation during all stages, at all tracks, and at all levels of peace processes<sup>12</sup>. More specifically, it is a funding mechanism which will support strategic women's civil society led short-term initiatives to influence and participate in formal, national or international processes. The scope for requests is purposely diverse and open to encompass demands to support women's meaningful participation through punctual interventions which need urgent support. While the scope is large, initiatives will be short in duration aiming to address rapidly a specific gap with an identified impact-specific action at different stages:

- Before the peace negotiations : preparation/design
- During the negotiations : gender provisions/women's inputs
- After the negotiations: implementation and monitoring

The RRW will serve as a demand-driven and context-specific multi-partner funding mechanism for rapid, flexible and short/medium term support to civil society organizations.

Funding support under the RRW is open to all <u>Official Development Assistance eligible countries</u>, witnessing an existing or an upcoming formal peace process or working on the implementation of a formal peace agreement, beyond the list of eligible countries under WPHF.

#### a. Type and nature of support provided

Flexibility in the type of support, timing and funding amounts will be key to responding to women's organizations and women groups' needs to influence and participate in peace processes from the local to the national level, both formally and informally, and at all levels.

#### i. Type of support provided

The RRW will look at funding the following types of urgent requests and initiatives in the context of a peace process and peace agreement implementation:

- Logistical support:
  - Travel related logistical support (flights, DSA, visas, childcare, accommodation ...);
  - Translation, printing, document design/layout, interpretation, Braille transcription and other communication and language related support,
  - Access for women/people living with disabilities,
  - Events and workshops organization related support (conference room rental, etc.),
- Technical support:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Including by enhancing women's leadership and engagement in political processes, disarmament, demobilization and reintegration programmes, constitution making, security sector and judicial reforms and wider post-conflict reconstruction and recovery processes.



- Expertise and technical support to conduct and facilitate trainings, networking, workshops, consultations with women peacebuilders and women's CSOs to strategize on means of influencing peace processes, and connection with key stakeholders for dialogues, buy-in and more;
- Advocacy efforts and lobbying campaigns for women's inclusion in peace and political processes;
- Advocacy efforts and lobbying campaigns for women's inclusion in the implementation and monitoring mechanisms of peace agreements;
- Evidence based advocacy and data collection analysis and dissemination, amongst decision makers and key stakeholders, to feed into a process;
- Coaching, capacity building and preparatory sessions of women delegates, observers to peace negotiations and women peacebuilders participating in decision-making processes;
- Women participating in decision-making processes;
- Consultations and community engagement to feed into high level (track I or track II) formal peace negotiations/agreements;
- Coalition building and development of common agenda to to influence specific peace process;
- Cross-border dialogues and regional and neighboring countries knowledge sharing on addressing gaps hindering women's effective influence in formal peace processes
- Analyzing the gender provisions of a formal implementation agreement adopted on a sub-national, national, regional or international level, and provide recommendations from a gender lens,
- Organizing and drafting participatory declarations/demands to influence decision-making processes.
- Providing protection needs for women peacebuilders facing security risks, harassment, hate speech, backlash and threats resulting from their work to participate in or influence a formal peace process/implementation of a peace agreement, Developing security, risk mitigation and contingency plans,

#### Examples of requests mentioned through consultations:

- Translation of documents and interpretation during specific decision-making processes in Cameroon (English/French)
- Inter-country dialogue and exchange between women peacebuilders facing Talibans (Afghanistan and Pakistan) to strategize and share lessons learned in a safe place
- Travel and logistical support to organize a side-meeting for advocacy along peace talks
- Braille Transcription, printing and dissemination of the peace agreement and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report in Liberia
- Strategizing and political advice to influence key decision-makers for women's meaningful participation in talks (Libya)
- Consultations and dialogues between youth and decision-makers (South Sudan)
- Supporting women CSOs and women peacebuilders' advocacy efforts to influence the peace negotiations and ensuring a gender lens to any agreements that could be reached in Venezuela
- Providing safe space and technical support to Sudanese women peacebuilders, in hosting country, to host a workshop to reorganize, reflect and strategize on pathways towards inclusive peacemaking in Sudan and pave the way for a political transition
- Convening dialogues between women's coalitions, women's CSOs and government officials to provide recommendations for gender mainstreaming in the formal peace process, including the Political Agreement for Peace and Reconciliation and the Joint Roadmap of Luanda in Central African Republic.

#### ii. Nature of the support provided

#### The RRW will support Detres en britia 62 es through:

- Short Term Grants (STG) (up to 100, 000 USD for 6 months project ) for CSOs;



- with exceptional cost-extension for promising initiatives<sup>13</sup> up to 50, 000 USD for an additional 3 months max;
- With no-cost extension for up to 3 months to allow flexibility and adaptation to evolving context.
  - Direct Supports (DS), up to 30, 000 USD, for CSOs, individuals and informal group of women peacebuilders, and UN entities on behalf of CSOs or an informal group of women peacebuilders<sup>14</sup>.
  - Both Short Term Grants and Direct Supports for CSOs if necessary:
    - Local and national women led /women's rights CSOs can also apply to both STG and DS stream at the same time or consecutively,
    - Local and national women led/women's rights CSOs can apply to Short-term grant stream only once. They can however partner with other CSOs, under the umbrella of a consortium, where another CSO is the lead focal point to benefit from a second grant. The review and evaluation of the new proposal will follow the same process and depend on the timeliness of the suggested intervention and complementarity with previous results,
    - Local and national women led/women rights CSOs, women peacebuilders, unregistered women movements and mediations can benefit from direct support stream up to two times.
       The review of the new request will follow the same process and depend on the timeliness of the suggested intervention and to what extent it builds on previous results.

The RRW will explore and develop additional strategic support to specifically respond to and target youth and young women led organizations in peace processes, as well as

targeted countries with dynamic peace processes that need more flexibility and rapidity to engage women and young women peacebuilders in the peace processes, including through UN entities at regional/country level. Depending on the type of support requested, the support will be provided directly by the WPHF's Secretariat (such as travel, expert deployment, etc.) or by one of the RRW INGO implementing partners, or by one UN entity at the country or regional level to transfer rapidly small grants to local and national CSOs or to directly purchase services on behalf of the local/national CSOs or women peacebuilders whose request for support has been approved by the WPHF's RRW technical committee.

During this second phase, a new pool of partner INGOs will be selected through a Call for Proposals for the WPHF's Global Window. Partnerships with INGOs will be in place for 1 year, with a possibility of renewal, between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2027). The budget of each partnership will not exceed 1 million USD for the initial agreement.

The WPHF's RRW Unit, hosted by the WPHF Secretariat, will manage the grant-making to INGOs. WPHF will transfer the full budget requested by INGO partners to be held on retainer to ensure rapid disbursal of funds to local and national CSOs through both RRW streams (small grants or direct support).

#### b. Role of the Rapid Response Window Unit

The Rapid Response Window will be comprised of:

- A task force composed of the WPHF Board members.
- A technical committee composed of all the RRW partners, 1 UN Country staff (WPS expert varies based on the country relevant to the request for support),, UN Women HQ, 1 representative from DPPA (for requests that target a track 1 peace process), 1 representative of the WPHF largest donor from the previous budget

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Promising initiatives refer to directs interventions that will enhance and leverage actions implemented during the STG in order to improve significantly opportunities for women influence in a peace process or gender provisions of the implementation of a peace agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> An applicant could benefit a maximum of two DS requests per year.



year is offered the possibility to be a member and provide overall feedback on the proposal – will make recommendations for approval (see figure 1 for more details on process), and

- A Rapid Response Window Unit is established within the WPHF Secretariat to support the process.

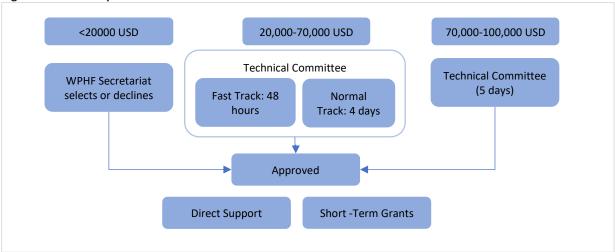
The RRW Unit will be overseen by the Head of the Secretariat and supported by the WPHF Secretariat. The staffing dedicated to the RRW will be composed of:

- A RRW Programme Specialist (P3) to lead the implementation of the window, ensure the visibility, advocacy and awareness of the window, process requests, and support the technical committee.
- A Project Analyst (P2) to support the implementation of the window, process requests for STG and DS and ensure the timely and efficient running of the window,
- A Programme Consultant to assist on proposals evaluation and outreach activities to promote the RRW opportunities and reinforce the partnership and advocacy;
- An Operations Specialist (P3 ) to provide operations leadership for the Window, up to 30% of her or his time;
- A Programme Assistant (G5) to facilitate and process rapid funding requests and financial reports;
- A Communications Analyst (P2) to support with the dissemination of information on the RRW at all levels and in different languages to enhance awareness and multiply requests for support, up to 30% of her or his time.

The Rapid Response Window Unit, hosted by the WPHF Secretariat will have the following functions:

- Coordinate between different stakeholders, including INGOs, implementing partners, UN entities, CSOs and networks of women mediators,
- Provide technical support and recommendations for exceptional STGs extension to the technical committee,
- Oversee the entire funding cycle through selection of implementing partners and direct implementation (see figure below),
- Provide for risk management, monitoring and evaluation and reporting on the window,
- Provide Direct Support services to CSOs and Women peacebuildersand may provide Short Term Grants on an exceptional basis,
- Evaluate proposals received on daily basis and advance to technical committee, if shortlisted,
- Evaluate request for exceptional STGs extension and provide recommendations to the TC,
- Liaise with local and national CSOs applicants to address their questions and concerns to reinforce alignment with RRW's objectives,
- Monitor the implementation of Direct support initiatives and collect feedback,
- Organize joint missions to assess the impacts of the window and foster opportunities for collaboration and catalytic initiatives between WPHF partners,
- Promote RRW streams and suggest any improvement that will keep RRW rationale,
- Initiate and promote advocacy efforts with WPHF partners to improve women participation in peace processes,
- Provide knowledge products regarding women influence in peace processes.

Figure 1: Selection process



For DS and STGFs requests below 20 000 USD, the RRW Unit will evaluate proposals and will submit their recommendation to the head of WPHF Secretariat, who will approve or decline the recommendation. The Technical Committee will be notified by the RRW Unit if the request is approved definitively.

The RRW Unit will evaluate requests for exceptional STG extension from CSOs through INGOs partners based on critical promising successes that will enhance the impacts of the active project. The request could not exceed an additional grant of 50, 000 USD for an additional period of 3 months.

- If cost-extension request is between 20,000 USD and 50,000 USD, the RRW Unit will assess the opportunity of the request and will submit their recommendation for Technical Committee final approval. The technical committee will have 5 days to approve or decline.
- For cost-extension requests below 20,000 USD, the RRW Unit will assess the opportunity of the request and will submit their recommendation to the head of WPHF Secretariat for approval. The Technical Committee will be notified by the RRW Unit if the request is approved .
- For No- cost extension request for a maximum 3- months, the RRW programme manager will evaluate the opportunity will directly approve or decline the request.

#### C. Results and Resources Framework

The overall goal of the RRW is to enhance the efforts, and urgent initiatives led by local and national women CSOs to increase their effective participation and influence in formal and informal peace processes and implementation of peace agreements. Specifically, as outlined with WPHF Outcome 4, the impact of the RRW is the **increased representation and leadership of women in formal peace processes**.

The expected outcome of the Project is the implementation of the RRW on women's participation in peace processes and the implementation of peace agreements is ensured in order for the delivery of RRWs outputs and overall expected impact.

In order to achieve this, the Project will have 4 outputs

Output 1.1. Quality technical and advisory support to the RRW and its decision-making structures is provided



The Rapid Response Window Unit will support the Governing bodies of the RRW and prepare the relevant documents within the timeframes approved. It will also record and track all decisions made and provide monitoring support to the Technical Committee. It will follow up on the meetings and ensure that its decisions are implemented in a timely and adequate manner, and report back to the decision-making structures if necessary. The Rapid Response Window Unit will ensure coordination with and between different stakeholders involved including UN HQ and Country Offices, networks of women mediators, international and local civil society organizations as well as experts.

## Output 1.2. Efficient, effective, and timely management of the Rapid Response Window and direct implementation of support is ensured

The RRW Unit will coordinate and manage all day-to-day tasks necessary for the smooth management and delivery of the Window and ensure compliance with the Window's rules and procedures as approved in the Concept Note. It will also liaise with the Administrative Agent's office, notably submission of fund allocation and transfer requests on behalf of the Funding Board and national steering mechanisms. It will also liaise with the RRW implementing partners (outcome 1.3.).

The RRW Unit will also ensure the implementation of Direct Supports and Short Term Grants when there is no alternative through INGOs partners or UN entities.

Finally, the Secretariat will review and update its M&E and reporting strategy for the RRW and ensure reporting against identified results and indicators, in relation to WPHF's Outcome 4. The Secretariat will provide updates to the governing bodies on risk analysis and mitigation.

#### Output 1.3. Efficient, effective and timely management of INGO and UN entities partnerships is ensured

The RRW Unit will manage and support the coordination of INGO and/or UN entities partnerships to strengthen support to CSOs under the RRW. It will ensure that selected INGO partners provide comprehensive coverage in terms of geographic reach, technical expertise, and language capabilities.

The RRW Unit will manage the grant-making process to INGOs. It will oversee the capacities assessment of the selected NGOs and, with approval from the Funding Board, the transfer of funds to partners.

In the implementation of support to CSOs, the RRW Unit will provide the necessary information to members of the Technical Committee so that they are well-placed to make recommendations for approval on shortlisted CSO proposals. The RRW Unit will resolve any difference of opinion on which INGO will take on partnership with any given CSO initiative. It will be a focal point for INGOs managing active partnerships with CSOs to address matters arising and to review and adjust processes as necessary during the inception phase. The RRW will organize regulars follow up calls with CSOs or women peacebuilders grantees to collect their feedback on the funding mechanism and the partnership with INGOs and will make adjustments or recommendations.

The RRW Unit will be responsible for incorporating findings from INGOs reports into output 1.4.

## Output 1.4. Visibility of RRW and its mandate is enhanced among a wide range of audiences through effective communications, innovative partnerships, capacity building and outreach

Communication, knowledge management and capacity building are at the heart of the WPHF's Strategy. The RRW Unit will ensure multi-lingual communications around the existence and functioning of the Rapid Response window and opportunities for civil society organizations and women's groups.



In knowledge management, the RRW Unit will use the WPHF Community to ensure dissemination of lessons learned and good practices and capacity building for partners under the RRW. The RRW will contribute to global advocacy for improving women's influence in formal peace processes through targeted outreach and events with their active partners and other key actors.

#### D. Partnerships

The RRW aims to build on existing efforts and structures to provide additional flexible and responsive funding to women's rights advocates, women peacebuilders, women-led including young women-led civil society organizations. It aims to empower them to define their strategies and lead their initiatives, while amplifying their voices and building their capacity through the RRW partners and leverage multi-partnership strengths for better and more impact.

Collaboration, coordination and communication amongst partners and actors will contribute to the effectiveness and reach of the impact of initiatives undertaken through the RRW. The WPHF Secretariat will regularly share information on the requests received with relevant actors (UN Country offices working on the peace processes, Women Mediators Networks, DPPA, PBSO, INGOs, Member States supporting peace processes and other relevant stakeholders) to leverage entry points, political influence, and expertise for better and comprehensive support.

### Annex A - WPHF RRW Unit Results Framework (2024-2027)

Results	Indicators	Means of Verification/ Sources of Information	Activities
Impact: Increased representation and influence of women and young women in peace processes and/or implementation of peace agreements	<ol> <li>Number of women that participate in peacetalks, ,and negotiations,</li> <li>Number of peace agreements, national dialogues with gender responsive elements.</li> <li>Types of strategies used/implemented to participate in and contribute to the peace process and/or implementation of a peace agreement</li> </ol>	RRW Unit annual reports, INGO reports, CSOs Reports,	
Project Outcome The implementation of the Rapid Response Window on Women's Participation in Peace processes and the implementation of peace agreements is ensured (Under WPHF Outcome 4).	1. Number of Direct Support supported by RRW (direct-support)  Baseline: 25 (as of October 2023)  Target: Dependent on funding available; at least 50 supported directly by RRW unit by April 2027 <sup>15</sup> 2. Number of short-term grants supported by RRW  Baseline: 30 (as of October 2023)  Target: Dependent on funding available; at least 60 supported by RRW unit by April 2027 <sup>16</sup>	Review of project documents/Management Information System  Internal review WPHF external evaluation	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Inclusive of baseline value

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Ibid.

Results	Indicators	Means of Verification/ Sources of Information	Activities
	3. Number of key relevant documents (UNSG reports, UN entities Reports, Global Initiative reports) mentioning RRW actions results  Baseline:0 Target: Dependent on funding available; at least 6 relevant documents by April 2027		
Output 1.1. Quality technical and advisory support of the Rapid Response Window and its decision-making structures is provided	1. Existence of RRW decision-making documents and packages for selection and review of requests Baseline: N/A Target: April 2027  2. Timely providing necessary documents for decision making to the Technical Committee and WPHF Board  Baseline: N/A0 Target: April 2027	Emails Project documents Annual reports	<ul> <li>Monitor and support the work of the Technical Committee</li> <li>Submission of necessary documents for decision making, including the selection of implementing partners and review of proposals received directly</li> <li>Follow up and implementation</li> <li>Update the RRW project document</li> <li>Engage and coordinate INGOs/UN Women for participation in the Technical Committee to make recommendations on type of support and, when relevant support</li> <li>Provide timely review of CSOs proposals to the TC</li> <li>Update RRW governance documents to adapt to the RRW rationale and objectives</li> <li>Provide timely supports to the INGOs and CSOs to improve the rationale of proposals submitted</li> </ul>
Output 1.2. Efficient, effective, and timely management of the Rapid Response Window and	1. Timely review of concept notes and proposals received by the RRW Unit (by stream)	Minutes of the FB meeting where OM is approved	<ul> <li>Manage CfPs, concept notes and proposals for review and selection</li> <li>Quality control and technical support to CSOs on requests submitted</li> <li>Monitor direct implementation for projects under the responsibility of</li> </ul>
direct implementation of support is ensured	Baseline: N/A Target: April 2027  2. Availability of RRW risk matrix and annual reports	Risk management matrix  M&E Strategy/Documents	the RRW Unit  - Update any templates for submission and evaluation of the proposals  - Elaborate and update RRW risk management matrix  - Update/review and implement RRW M&E strategy



Results	Indicators	Means of Verification/ Sources of Information	Activities
	Baseline: 2 (October 2023)  Target: One risk matrix and 3 annual reports before April 2027	RRW annual report	<ul> <li>Coordinate and manage all day-to-day activities necessary for the smooth running of the Window</li> <li>Guarantee compliance with the Window and WPHF's rules and procedures</li> <li>Update reporting templates<sup>17</sup> and report on the RRW's results</li> <li>Liaise with the UN Administrative Agent's office in New York, notably submission of fund allocation and transfer requests on behalf of the Funding Board.</li> </ul>
Output 1.3. Efficient, effective and timely management of INGO partnerships is ensured	<ol> <li>Pool of NGOs implementing partners selected and active.         Baseline: 7 (October 2023)         Target: TBD based on new applications     </li> <li>Number of coordination and thematic calls with NGO partners         Target: 12 monthly and 4 quarterly thematic calls per year     </li> <li>Number of bilateral calls organized with CSOs and women peacebuilders supported by the RRW.</li> <li>Baseline: 4         Target: At least 50% of the CSOs supported by the RRW     </li> </ol>	Emails from TC with selected INGOs  Financial reports  INGOs reports	<ul> <li>Draft calls for INGO partnerships with the RRW and manage the selection process</li> <li>Draft templates for submission and evaluation of the proposal</li> <li>Manage the capacities assessment for selected INGOs</li> <li>Ensure INGOs/UN entities are transferred funds on retainer, based on their estimated budgets, and manage any extensions</li> <li>Communicate Technical Committee decisions to INGOs</li> <li>Make recommendations to NGOs/UN agency partners during review and implementation phase, when relevant</li> <li>Organize and participate in joint missions with INGOs partners or UN entities</li> <li>Organize and participate in INGOs-CSO Advocacy Events</li> <li>Conduct monthly coordination and quarterly thematic calls with INGOs partners</li> <li>Conduct bilateral calls with UN entities</li> <li>Conduct quarterly meetings on operations with INGOs Partners</li> <li>Conduct follow up and coordination calls with UN entities involved with the RRW, and INGO annual retreat</li> <li>Conduct bilateral calls with CSOs and women peacebuilders supported by the RRW</li> </ul>

 $<sup>^{17}</sup>$  Starting in 2024, the RRW will track the number of peace processes that are influenced by CSOs.



Results	Indicators	Means of Verification/ Sources of Information	Activities
	4. Number of advocacy events for woman influence in peace processes supported by the RRW with NGOs and CSOs  Baseline:0 Target: Dependent on funding available; at least 3 events supported by RRW unit by April 2027		
Output 1.4. Visibility of RRW and its mandate is enhanced among a wide range of audiences through effective communications, innovative partnerships, capacity building and outreach	1.Number and Types of knowledge products developed and disseminated on the RRW <sup>18</sup> Baseline: 5 documents and 9 podcasts/videos (October 2023) Target: 5 documents and 5 podcasts/videos by April 2027  2.Number/types of information, and/or exchange of best practices sessions organized for RRW partners Baseline: 0 Target: 10 per year	Community of Practice Knowledge products	<ul> <li>Communicate and disseminate information on the RRW in different languages to focal points and global audiences</li> <li>Conduct information sessions for CSOs on the RRW and its objectives and application process in new countries</li> <li>Carry out outreach with feminist and women networks mediators on RRW and potential coordination</li> <li>Participate in global, national or regional events, as relevant, for the visibility of the RRW</li> <li>Create a RRW-wide dashboard and regularly update</li> <li>Produce knowledge projects or policy briefs on leassons and good practices from the Window using various mediums (social medias, articles, podcasts)</li> <li>Support peer learning exchanges with the WPHF-L-Hub</li> </ul>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Includes briefs, videos/podcasts, policy or recommendation papers developed by RRW or NGO partners

### **Annex B** - Budget per category

UNDG Categories	April-December 2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL
1. Staff and other personnel costs	587,505	622,705	637,430	652,555	2,500,194
2. Supplies, Commodities and Materials					-
3. Equipment, Vehicles and Furniture, including Depreciation					-
4. Contractual Services	265,000	275,000	275,000	330,000	1,145,000
5. Travel	410,000	450,000	460,000	470,000	1,790,000
6. Grants	5,600,000	5,200,000	6,800,000	2,400,000	20,000,000
7. General Operating Expenses and other Direct Costs	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	120,000
SUBTOTAL	6,892,505	6,577,705	8,202,430	3,882,555	25,555,194
8. Indirect Support Costs	482,475	460,439	574,170	271,779	1,788,864
GRAND TOTAL	7,374,980	7,038,145	8,776,600	4,154,333	27,344,058