



Measures to promote human rights

- Information for applicants -

Germany is committed to protecting and promoting human rights across the world. To this end, the Federal Foreign office provides funding to support human rights projects. This money has to be used and accounted for in accordance with German budget law.

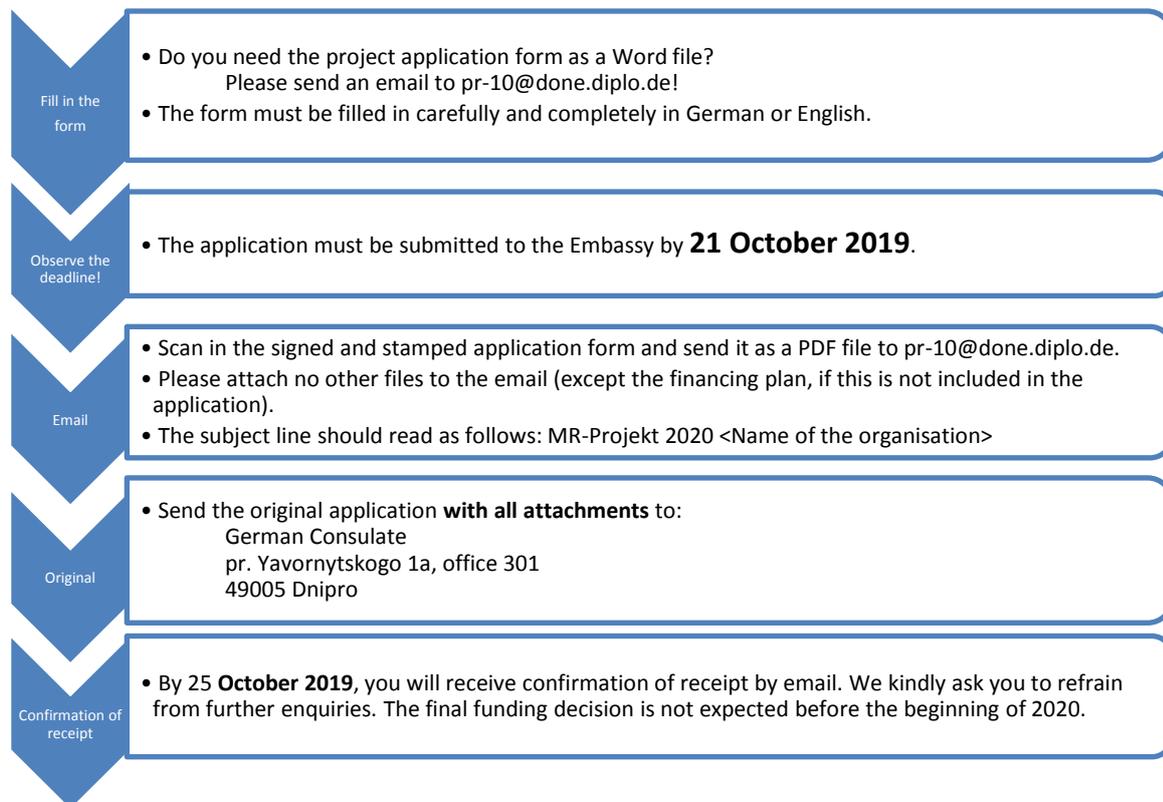
- Such funding may only be used for specific projects with a limited and clearly defined duration and content. It is not possible to provide institutional support for organisations working in human rights (for instance by assuming ongoing personnel or operating costs).
- Individual projects can be granted sums of between 20,000 and 70,000 euros.
- Projects running over several years are not eligible for funding. Irrespective of when they launch, projects must be completed by the following 31 December at the latest.
- Already ongoing projects are in principle ineligible for funding.
- There is no entitlement to support.

Focuses of support:

<p>Strengthening civil society, supporting human rights activists, human rights institutions and media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting project activities run by human rights activists • Promoting local, national and regional networks • Protecting journalism • Promoting freedom of opinion and of the press 	<p>Protecting and promoting the rights of woman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tackling discrimination on the grounds of gender • Combating trafficking of women • Countering violence against women, in armed conflicts and other situations • Projects implementing UN Resolution 1325 (Women, Peace and Security) 	<p>Protecting and promoting children's rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combating child trafficking, child labour and sexual exploitation • Helping children in armed conflicts • Improving the situation of children in children's homes
<p>Supporting reforms in the judiciary and prison system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seminars with German or European experts • Projects to improve prison conditions 	<p>Economic, social and cultural rights (ESCR)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects relating to the right to water and housing • Projects relating to the right to health • Projects relating to the right to education 	<p>Other important issues, e.g.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combating torture and abuse • Combating human trafficking and forced displacement • Combating racism and discrimination • Combating impunity • Supporting truth and reconciliation processes

Please note: This funding **cannot** be granted to humanitarian aid projects.

Procedure



The application must be accompanied by a financing plan listing the project costs in detail. Organisations' running costs (e.g. rental costs, salaries of permanent staff) **cannot** be funded! If at all possible, the organisation should cover some of the project costs using its own funds; if it cannot, please explain why. The own funds should be described in relation to the total budget, not to individual budget items.

Once the Federal Foreign Office has approved the application, a funding agreement will be concluded under German law. All projects must be concluded by 31 December 2020 at the latest.

Once the project has been completed, proof of employment of funds must be given in German or English, using the sample text available from the mission. Interim progress reports must be submitted for projects which run over several months.

The Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany will be happy to answer any questions on application or project support procedures.

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