

# Questions and Answers

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<b>Title:</b>	Sport as a tool for integration and social inclusion of refugees
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<b>Question 1</b>	<b>Can we organise a meeting, or have telephone or e-mail contacts with the European Commission in order to get feedback on our project and/or ideas before submitting an application?</b>
Answer	<p>In the light of the principles of equal treatment and fair competition, contacts during the submission phase are allowed solely for the purpose of clarifying the content of the published documents concerning this call for proposals. Contacts must always take place in writing, preferably by email. Any additional information provided by the European Commission will be accessible simultaneously to all operators on DG EAC website, in the Q&amp;A section.</p> <p>Except in the case of clarification, the Commission is not allowed to answer to requests for feedback and/or opinion concerning the content of potential proposals or project ideas.</p>
<b>Question 2</b>	<b>Is there a deadline for asking clarifications about the call for proposals (please refer also to question n.1)?</b>
Answer	<p>Clarifications may be asked up to the 21th June 2019, by email, to: <a href="mailto:eac-sport@ec.europa.eu">eac-sport@ec.europa.eu</a> . The recommended procedure is to fix a deadline for the submission of questions before the final deadline for applications. This allows replies to all questions to be published in the Q&amp;A section, through updated versions of this Q&amp;A document, ensuring therefore transparency and equality of treatment.</p>
<b>Question 3</b>	<b>Is it possible to apply in partnership with other entities or only one single applicant may apply?</b>
Answer	<p>Applications must be submitted by a single legal entity.</p>
<b>Question 4</b>	<b>Do projects have to include a transnational partnership?</b>
Answer	<p>No. The eligibility conditions do not mention the need for a transnational partnership. However transnational or national partnership are not excluded, as long as the applications are submitted by a single legal entity</p>
<b>Question 5</b>	<b>Can activities be implemented outside the EU?</b>

Answer	No. Activities must be implemented in the EU.
<b>Question 6</b>	<b>Is my organisation eligible to apply?</b>
Answer	As specified in section 6.1 of the call for proposals EAC/S20/2019 "In order to be eligible, projects must be presented by applicants meeting the following criteria: be a public or private organisation with legal personality who are mainly active in the sport field and that regularly organise sport competitions, at any level; have their registered legal office in one of the EU Member States." The same section specifies the list of supporting documents that are requested in order to assess the applicants' eligibility. Please note that the assessment of eligibility of applicants is part of the evaluation procedure, which will take place after the submission deadline.
<b>Question 7</b>	<b>What are third parties entitled to?</b>
Answer	<p>Third parties understood as final recipients of EU funds are excluded for this Call for Proposals, as stated in the Call for Proposals, section 11.7.d: "The applications may not envisage provision of financial support to third parties."</p> <p>Third parties understood as co-financing parties can participate to the project, as stated in section 11.4 of the Call for Proposals: "Co-financing of the action or of the work programme may take the form of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the beneficiary's own resources,</li> <li>• income generated by the action,</li> <li>• financial contributions from third parties."</li> </ul> <p>Third parties understood as subcontractors, i.e. economic operators providing a service, supply or works necessary for the action to the beneficiary, may not implement core activities and shall satisfy the conditions laid down in the Call for Proposals, section 11.7.c.</p>
<b>Question 8</b>	<b>Is there any required geographical coverage (e.g. EU, regional, national, local)?</b>
Answer	The Call for Proposals will only co-finance projects to be implemented within the EU.
<b>Question 9</b>	<b>How many projects are to be selected?</b>
Answer	Please refer to section 4 (Budget Available) of the call for proposals EAC/S20/2019
<b>Question 10</b>	<b>Can a legal entity submit more than one proposal?</b>
Answer	Yes, the same legal entity can present several projects.
<b>Question 11</b>	<b>Can persons who have obtained a subsidiary protection eligible within this call?</b>

Answer	No. The call for proposals definition of the term "refugee" shall be complied with. This states that the term "refugee" indicates people having formal refugee status in an EU Member State as well as people who have officially applied for refugee status in the EU and whose applications have not yet been processed.
<b>Question 12</b>	<b>What are the statutory documents to be sent?</b>
Answer	They are described in the specifications under section 6.1. Eligible applicants.
<b>Question 13</b>	<b>Can applicants apply only with a completely new project or if it is possible to build on the existing project structure and develop it further into the next step of the integration?</b>
Answer	Please note that the Commission cannot financially support the same project by two different funding streams. However, if the project is the continuation of a successful project and is respecting the criteria as well as being aligned with the objectives of the given call there is no reason why this project could not be eligible for funding.
<b>Question 14</b>	<b>Would the definition of Sport used in the Call also include traditional sports and games, such as tug-of-war and other similar activities?</b>
Answer	Traditional sports and games are included in the scope of the call for proposals EAC/S20/2019.
<b>Question 15</b>	<b>The eligibility criteria require applicants to "be a public or private organisation with legal personality who are mainly active in the sport field and that regularly organise sport competitions, at any level". Does this have to be the core business of the organization or can organizing sport activities (for instance for the target group) be only one of their activities??</b>
Answer	The call specifications do not specify that the core occupation of applicants needs to be in the sport field, but that the applicants need to be active in this field. The Evaluation Committee will assess if the applicant respects the Eligibility criteria. We cannot presume of the Evaluation Committee decision at this stage.
<b>Question 16</b>	<b>Is it necessary that the sole applicant fulfills eligibility criteria? Or can a consortium being set up in which one of the organizations organizes sport activities and other organizations bring in their own expertise?</b>
Answer	Applications need to be submitted by a single legal entity fulfilling the eligibility criteria. Consortia involving several organisations can apply, as long as they have legal personality of their own.
<b>Question 17</b>	<b>Is there a deadline for asking translations of the call for proposals in other EU languages?</b>
Answer	Translations can be requested up to the 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2019. Requests must be sent by email, to: <a href="mailto:eac-sport@ec.europa.eu">eac-sport@ec.europa.eu</a>
<b>Question 18</b>	<b>We have noted that on the application form the applicant organisation cannot add partner(s): how can we indicate that we intend to work with a partnership?</b>

Answer	If the applicant wishes to present a partnership, partners can be mentioned in the proposal, for example in the project description and/or project summary sections.
<b>Question 19</b>	<b>We are “de facto association” that since many years organises sport activities. We are very experienced but we do not have legal personality. Are we eligible?</b>
Answer	No. The eligibility criteria (section 6.1 of the call for proposals) require that, in order to be eligible, applicant must have legal personality.
<b>Question 20</b>	<b>Can we include in the budget a specific percentage for indirect costs (overheads)?</b>
Answer	As specified in section 11.2.2 of the call for proposals, indirect costs (overheads) are not eligible. Therefore, indirect costs cannot be included in the estimated budget.
<b>Question 21</b>	<b>Is it possible to apply for a co-financing of 20% of AMIF (Asylum Migration and Integration Fund)?</b>
Answer	The call for proposals EAC/S20/2019 is launched by DG EAC. Therefore, it is not possible to apply for an additional 20% co-financing under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund.
<b>Question 22</b>	<b>In which budget category can we include costs for things such as sport tools, use of sport facilities, memberships to sport clubs, insurance costs for refugees taking part in sport activities and services provided by third parties?</b>
Answer	Costs of supplies/items directly assigned to the action should be submitted in the budget under the heading A.3 ‘Equipment & Material, Communication and Other Direct Costs’. In case third parties would be awarded contracts necessary for the implementation of the action, the costs of these services should be submitted in the budget under heading A.4 ‘Sub-contracting’.
<b>Question 23</b>	<b>The declaration on honour, to be filled by the applicant, included in the online application form is different from the one available on the call for proposals page: which one should I fill in?</b>
Answer	You should complete the one which is available on the call for proposals page, which is: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/sport/sites/sport/files/eac-s20-2019-declaration-honour-grants_en.pdf">https://ec.europa.eu/sport/sites/sport/files/eac-s20-2019-declaration-honour-grants_en.pdf</a> . This version is an updated version of the one available on the online application forms. However, also the previous version, available on the online application form, will be accepted by the Commission.
<b>Question 24</b>	<b>In relation to cost of personnel to be indicated in the estimated budget, is there a fixed number of standard annual hours/days that should be used?</b>
Answer	No: there are no standardized hours/days to use in relation to personnel costs. The recommended methods for the calculation of direct personnel costs are provided in Appendix of the call for proposals “Specific conditions for direct personnel costs”.