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WISER (Weather and Climate Information Services) MENA Programme

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Submissions must be made via email to

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Weather and Climate Information Services (WISER)

Section one - Introduction

The Met Office has been commissioned by the UK government's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) to manage the Weather and Climate Information Services (WISER) programme, leading on design, management and coordination, and a range of technical assistance and partnerships, WISER MENA will include the Middle East and North African regionals is part of the FCDO programme, [Pioneering a Holistic Approach to Energy and Nature-based Options in MENA for Long-term stability \(PHENOMENAL\)](#).

The WISER programme started in East Africa and has enhanced the quality, accessibility, and use of weather and climate information services by a range of users, from farmers and fisherfolk to journalists, government officials, the disaster risk sector, non-governmental organisations, and vital businesses such as energy providers and aviation services. It has supported over 3.3 million households with better access to enhanced weather and climate information services, strengthened the resilience of 8.2 million people and delivered £207.5 million in economic benefits. Further information on WISER to date can be found [here](#).

From 2022 to 2026, funded with UK aid from the British people as part of the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's (FCDO), new phases of WISER have been launched in Africa and in the MENA region. WISER MENA will provide up to £5 million to strengthen the development, delivery and use of weather and climate information services (WCIS) across the MENA region in general but with a particular focus on the following countries: Morocco, Egypt, Syria, Yemen, Palestine and Iraq. A scoping report was undertaken as part of the inception activity to inform the focus of the programme and this can be found [here](#).



Section two - Key Information

This Call Part 1 and Call Part 2 documentation forms the application process for grant funding and no cost Met Office Technical Assistance and Partnerships (TAP) for projects in the MENA region.

In their proposals, bidders are required to describe how they will support Internally Displaced People (IDP) and refugee communities in the focus countries of Iraq, Syria, Yemen and Palestine to better prepare for and respond to changes in weather and climate through supporting Forecast Based Early Action in humanitarian response.

The Met Office has collated guidance to support the preparation of proposal submissions to facilitate alignment with the Programme’s ambitions and requirements. Guidance documents can be found in the annexes of this Call Part 1 document and the Appendices of the Call Part 2 document.

Proposals can be submitted with budgets up to £1,400,000 (£ 1.4 million GBP)

The Met Office can provide scientific, operational and technical support to the project awarded through this call for proposals though WISER’s Technical Assistance and Partnerships (TAP) fund. See Section 8.

Eligible countries are mentioned here below. Proposals must include project activities in ALL of the following countries:

Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Palestine

Duration: Proposed projects must expect to meet the following timeline:

- Start activities from July 2023
- Cease activities by June 2025
- Finalise reporting, and project completion reviews and meetings by 30th September 2025

Please only submit Proposals that feasibly meet these timeframes and realistically take any contextual and procedural and contracting constraints, available resources and capacity into consideration.



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The following table sets out the indicative timeline in more detail.

Activity	Date
Prior Information Advert	w/c 20 th February 2023
Documents published	w/c 27 th February 2023
Deadline for questions	Wednesday 19th April 2023
Submission Deadline	12:00 noon Friday 28th April 2023
Evaluations	28 th April to 26 th May 2023
Clarifications	w/c 29 th May 2023
Award Notification	w/c 5 th June 2023
Budget reviews / Proposal finalisation / Grant Agreement draft & negotiation	w/c 5 th June – 14 th July 2023
Project kick off and Grant Agreement begins	Mid July 2023



Section three – Terms of Reference / Open Call Requirements

This open call for proposals requires bidders to describe how they will meet the Terms of Reference (ToR) set out below.

The ToR draw on general learning and practice in the field of Anticipatory Action and its potential to build resilience to climate extremes and variability. In addition, the ToRs are based on the [Scoping Report's](#) findings that show that whilst there are high degrees of vulnerability to these factors in the focus countries, the prevalence of operational early action initiatives is overall low.

Terms of Reference / Open Call Requirements

- Bidders are asked to propose how they will deliver a project that addresses Output Area 1 (see Section 5 and refer to WISER MENA Theory of Change document at Annex 4). This output focuses on supporting and strengthening co-production for forecast based early action for Internally Displaced People (IDP) and refugee populations. We expect co-production to support early actions taken by those involved in the running of camps and the range of possible actions taken by refugees and/ IDPs themselves to support their livelihoods and resilience. Bidders need to demonstrate how work delivered to address Output Area 1 will help the programme reach either the intermediary outcomes or outcome in the WISER MENA Theory of Change (see Section 5 and refer to WISER MENA Theory of Change document).
- Bidders are also required to demonstrate how they will address Output Area 4 in the WISER MENA Theory of Change. Bidders are encouraged to consider how knowledge from the project will be managed so it can both draw from and inform other parts of the WISER programme and benefit other stakeholders and initiatives in the region and globally. Bidders are required to show how relevant regional and global fora (e.g., the Anticipatory Action Community of Practice, Anticipation Hub) will be used to share knowledge with the wider meteorological and humanitarian community. Emphasising how the project will support strengthened cooperation and collaboration regionally is also important. Bidders should describe how work delivered to address Output Area 4 will help the programme reach either the intermediary outcomes or outcome in the WISER MENA Theory of Change (see Section 5 and refer to WISER MENA Theory of Change



document). Please refer to the Knowledge, Management and Applied Learning Guidance in Annex 2.

- The proposed project should take place in **Iraq, Syria, Yemen and Palestine**. Bidders are encouraged to consider how a replicable approach to supporting early action in refugee and IDP populations can be taken. This should allow for contextualisation in line with climatic, political, cultural, conflict and economic contexts in specific camps or communities.
- Bidders should describe how they will engage with local providers of weather and climate information, including an analysis in respect to existing systems and services. They are required to outline how the no cost Technical Assistance and Partnerships (TAP) provided by the Met Office (see Section 8 for more info) in support of the grant may be used to assist with provision of forecast information.
- Where possible, bidders are encouraged to identify specific locations and communities they will work with in the project in the four focus countries, either as a sole contractor or as a consortia. Gender, Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) considerations should be taken into account in the design of the project. Please refer to WISER GESI Guidance in Annex 3.



Section four - Submission process

Bidders are invited to submit Proposals electronically via email to Grant.Defrayment@metoffice.gov.uk or through the Pro Contract online portal [here](#) (Opportunity Id DN657631) before the deadline.

- Submissions must be received by no later than **Friday 28th April 2023 12:00noon (BST)**
Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.
- Proposals may include multiple organisations and/or consortium but must detail a named lead party.
- The nominated consortium lead must be able to contract and receive payment in British Pounds Sterling.
- Proposals should be submitted using the Call Part 2 template provided.
- Proposals must be submitted in English.
- An acknowledgement of receipt of your submission will be sent to all bidders whose application was received before the deadline.

Submission is not a guarantee of funding.

Information Sharing

You acknowledge and agree that all or any part of your Bid submission(s) may be shared with independent consultants external to the Met Office, and may also be shared with FCDO, for review purposes. By submitting a Bid, you consent to the Met Office sharing your Bid submission to the entities and persons it considers necessary to provide Technical Assistance and Partnerships, and subsequent evaluation or review of your bid.



Section five – Theory of Change Output Areas

The four Output Areas in the WISER MENA Theory of Change (ToC) are described below. As described in Section 3, this grant is primarily focused on addressing Output Areas 1 and 4. However, if bidders intend to address other Output Areas in the ToC through their proposed activities, these can also be described. The Proposal will need to demonstrate how work delivered to address Output Areas 1 & 4 (and potentially others) will help the programme reach either the intermediary outcomes or outcome in the WISER MENA Theory of Change (see WISER MENA Theory of Change document at Annex 4 and MEL Guidance in Annex 1).

1. Strengthened co-production of weather and climate information services between producers, intermediaries and users (to enhance the use of WCIS)

Co-production is a central tenant of WISER MENA. This is because co-developing knowledge and trust and weather and climate information services to ensure they are fit-for-purpose and legitimate to meet specific user needs is a key building block required for the programme. Co-production is crucial for WISER MENA to achieve its vision and improve the reach, uptake and use of enhanced weather and climate information services that generates s benefits and ultimately improve people's ability to prepare for and respond to changes in weather and climate

Work in this area will focus on improving co-production in practice, relative to the starting point of each country building on lessons learnt in previous phases of WISER in Africa, and the [Co-production Manual](#) that was published in an earlier phase of the programme. For details on what WISER classifies as co-production and the 10 principles and process that informs it, please see the Co-production Manual.

Bidders are expected to show how their project will support co-production between the humanitarian and meteorological community in support of IDP/refugee communities.

2. Strengthened technical capacity of National Meteorology and Hydrology Services (NMHS) and Regional Climate Centres (RCCs) to deliver enhanced WCIS



Strengthening designated producers' capacity to provide user-led services is expected to directly contribute to WISER MENA's objective of improving access and use of WCIS that are demand driven and decision-relevant. A designated producer under WISER MENA refers to existing regionally and nationally mandated organisations involved in the development of WCIS, such as Regional Climate Centres and National Meteorological and Hydrological Services. Ensuring service improvement strategies/plans are in place and are operational is an illustrative example of the type of capacity strengthening that could contribute to this Output Area.

3. Improved policy and enabling environment for better delivery and sustainability of weather and climate information services

An important component of WISER MENA is strengthening the extent WCIS is integrated into policy, strategic planning and resource allocation decisions, to enhance early response, adaptation and/or resilience investments. To support this process, this third Output Area looks to strengthen awareness of the value of using WCIS in decision-making and enabling its practical use in the decisions stakeholders make, particularly at institutional level. Based on learning from previous phases of WISER in Africa, it is envisioned this will involve sharing WISER evidence, support the application of evidence into use, and facilitating the concrete, practical use of WCIS in decision-making itself. Although evidence is typically shown to be key to effective policy and decision-making, WISER acknowledges that evidence is however just one of the factors influencing policy and planning decisions. Initiatives improving the enabling and policy environment for WCIS in other complimentary ways might also be beneficial.

4. Strengthened collaboration and learning within and between WISER and other weather and climate initiatives in MENA and globally

WISER MENA will draw on learning and best practice from previous and current phases of WISER. It will also seek to collaborate and cooperate with relevant climate initiatives in the MENA region. Bidders are encouraged to describe how they see their project sharing lessons and knowledge and linking up with other humanitarian initiatives in the MENA region, particularly relating to forecast based early action. Bidders are also encouraged to describe how they will work with government run disaster management agencies, where relevant. Please refer to the Knowledge Management and Applied Learning Guidance in Annex 2.



Section six – Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning

Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL): WISER requires proposals to include sufficient budget (we recommend around 10% of total budget) and relevant MEL expertise/focal point within the proposed team for data collection and analysis for results reporting. Proposals are also encouraged to allocate sufficient budget/resource for lesson learning and mid-term reviews, particularly those of strategic priority. Proposals are to demonstrate early indications of where the project may produce lessons that are relevant to the WISER MENA programme as a whole. A strategic priority mid-term review, for example, provides evidence on critical activity in a region that could provide useful for learning for other contexts and programmes and possibly signal areas for future investment. A strategic priority mid-term review is therefore different to a mid-term review that focuses on confirming progress of continued activity already demonstrated to be effective and informing programming based on evidence generated in a previous phase of WISER. WISER requires proposals to also include detailed information about the data collection tools that will be designed and used to elicit data against indicators in the project's Logframe.

Section seven – Gender, Equity and Social Inclusion

A Gender Equity & Social Inclusion (GESI) approach uses equity-based methods to ensure equality for all. It focusses on understanding and addressing unequal power relations experienced by vulnerable people and ensuring equal rights, opportunities, and respect for all individuals regardless of their social identity. It should support the empowerment of women and marginalised people through inclusive processes and policies. Marginalised people are those excluded from mainstream social, economic, educational, or cultural life. Examples include, but are not limited to, people excluded by race, gender, age, physical ability, language, or immigration status.

WISER seeks Proposals that demonstrate how GESI will be promoted and integrated across their selected Output Areas, including by detailing who the users are, how the project empowers women and other marginalised people. Bidders need to illustrate that they have meaningfully considered the impact that activities will have on persons of different gender and marginalised groups.

This encompasses:

- Considering the differential barriers, impacts or risks that might be faced by persons of different gender and marginalised people, including in benefiting from/accessing the project, and how



these might be addressed. This includes throughout the design and implementation of the project, and in terms of expected impacts beyond project duration.

- Identifying how the project is expected to enhance and monitor impacts on inclusion and address issues of under-representation.
- Highlighting any relationships with, or intention to engage representative organisations such as women's organisations or organisations of people with disabilities.
- Advising how individuals and organisations are tackling inclusion and inequalities within their own organisations and the project team itself.

Section eight– Met Office Technical Assistance and Partnerships (TAP)

The Met Office will provide Technical Assistance and Partnerships (TAP) at no cost for the winning bidder. This is intended to support the provision of weather and climate information to inform the early action plans and protocols which are developed by the grant holder, through partnership with the nationally designated authority.

Types of TAP could include:

- Observations expertise
- Operational forecasting
- Impact analysis
- Impact based forecaster training
- Coproduction facilitation
- Seasonal and sub-seasonal forecasting
- Climate expertise
- Private sector engagement
- MEL support
- Knowledge, Management and Learning advice
- GESI



Whilst Met Office time to support these partnerships will be covered through the programme, the involvement of the NHMS is likely to need to be funded by the project and it is therefore recommended that they are a project partner or part of the consortium. Where the NHMS is not likely to be able to provide operational forecasts with (or without) TAP, the Met Office can liaise with the UN WMO about providing these forecasts through a partnership model with the designated authority. Bidders are therefore encouraged to describe the current status of the NMHS in their proposals for TAP.

The Met Office reserves the right to use third parties to support delivery of TAP.

Section nine – Value for Money

Value for Money (VfM) is a critical component of WISER MENA. Proposals must demonstrate how they will ensure an efficient allocation of resources for maximum effect. Proposals are to demonstrate how they will implement VfM across the 4E approach (Economy, Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Equity) and relate these to specific results areas in your project ToC and Logframe. Please refer to the WISER MENA VfM guidance in Annex 5.



Section ten - Assessment and Evaluation Criteria

Proposal submissions will be screened for eligibility using the criteria outlined below and evaluated against the criteria detailed in this section.

Assessment

- Mandatory requirements
Pass/Fail

Criteria	Scoring	Call Part 2 Submission
Confirmation from bidder		
Compliance with Grant Terms and Conditions	Pass/Fail	Section 14 Eligibility and Compliance Assessment
ODA Proposals must be ODA compliant within the guidelines of Official Development Assistance (ODA), which underpins the purpose of the programme. There must be a clear and direct link to demonstrate that there is economic and societal benefit to a country/countries on the DAC list by the proposed project(s). Please see Section 13 for further guidance.	Pass/Fail	Section 14 (as above) and Section 23 ODA Statement

- Scored questions
80% for Quality
20% for Value for Money

Criteria	Scoring	Weighting	Response Section (Call Part 2)
Quality		80%	
Project Design Responses should:	0 -5	40%	Section 17

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate how the proposal meets the TOR to support Early Action for IDPs and refugees in focus countries • Through a project level Theory of Change and Logframe, show how the proposal addresses Output Areas 1 and 4 (and others if relevant) and how work delivered to address each Output Area will help WISER to reach either the intermediary outcomes or outcome in the WISER MENA Programme Theory of Change • Knowledge Management and Applied Learning • Outline the requirements for TAP which include analysis of current provision of forecast information needed for early action in the focus countries <p>Proposals will be evaluated against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed Project Plan • Project Theory of Change and Logframe (including alignment to WISER MENA Programme Theory of Change and Logframe) 			<p>17.1</p> <p>17.2</p> <p>17.3</p> <p>17.4</p>
<p>Gender Equity and Social Inclusion (GESI) Responses should demonstrate integration of GESI analysis into project design and implementation.</p>	0 - 5	10%	Section 18
<p>Management and Governance Responses should demonstrate how proposals ensure appropriate management and governance.</p> <p>Proposals will be evaluated against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project timeline including deliverables/outputs • Project management governance • Risk Management <p>Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning</p>	0- 5	15%	<p>Section 19</p> <p>19.1</p> <p>19.2</p> <p>19.3</p> <p>19.4</p>
<p>Relevant skills, experience, and examples Responses should demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical capability • Experience of the team and/or organisations of working in focal countries with IDPs/refugees/humanitarian response/Forecast Based Early Action • MEL expertise/focal point 	0 -5	15%	Section 20



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience of working with relevant stakeholders on selected Theory of Change Outputs and Outcomes 			
Value for Money (VfM)		20%	
Response should demonstrate a detailed analysis including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial breakdown of proposed budget by output and activity. How the project will implement the 4E approach to VfM 	0 to 5	20%	Section 21

Each submission will be assessed on a 5-point scale against the pre-defined matrix below:

Score	Description	Scoring Methodology
0 Points	Unacceptable	Overall, the Met Office has no confidence in the Bidder's response because one or more of the following applies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> no response was provided; or the response fails to address the Requirement at all and/or provide any evidence; or a response is provided but it raises one or more unacceptable concerns in relation to the quality of the Bid and/or the Bidder's ability successfully to deliver the Requirement and/or represents a serious risk to the Met Office
1 Point	Major Concerns	Overall, the Met Office has very low confidence in the Bidder's response because one or more of the following applies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the response fails to address a substantial part of the Requirement; or the response gives rise to one or more major concerns in relation to the quality of the response and/or the Bidder's ability successfully to deliver the Requirement; or the response gives greater confidence than "Unacceptable" but is not sufficiently comprehensive to warrant "Concerns"
2 Points	Concerns	Overall, the Met Office has low confidence in the Bidder's response because one or more of the following applies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the response addresses all elements of the Requirement but at least one of the elements is not adequately addressed or adequately evidenced; or the response gives rise to one or more concerns in relation to the quality of the response and/or the Bidder's ability successfully to deliver the Requirement; or the response gives greater confidence than "Major Concerns" but is not sufficiently comprehensive to warrant "Minor concerns"
3 Points	Minor Concerns	Overall, the Met Office has moderate confidence in the Bidder's response because one or more of the following applies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the response addresses all elements of the Requirement in a satisfactory manner, but parts of the response lack sufficient detail and/or evidence to warrant "Good Confidence"; or the response gives rise to one or more minor concerns in relation to the quality of the response and/or the Bidder's ability successfully to deliver the Requirement; or the response gives greater confidence than "Concerns" but is not sufficiently comprehensive to warrant "Good confidence"



4 Points	Good Confidence	<p>Overall, the Met Office has good confidence in the Bidder’s response because one or more of the following applies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the response addresses all elements of the Requirement well and/or provides good evidence of where the proposed approach/solution has been used effectively in the past and/or why it will work well within the project; or • the response addresses all elements of the Requirement well and includes innovative and/or other good quality ideas that meet the Met Office’s Requirements and provides good evidence of where such ideas have been used effectively in the past and/or why they will work well within the project; or • the response gives greater confidence than “Minor concerns” but is not sufficiently comprehensive to warrant “Very Good confidence”.
5 Points	Very Good Confidence	<p>Overall, the Met Office has very good confidence in the Bidder’s response because one or more of the following applies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the response addresses all elements of the Requirement very well, in a robust and comprehensively evidenced manner; or • the response addresses all elements of the Requirement very well and includes innovative and/or other good quality ideas that meet the Met Office’s Requirements and provides good evidence of where such ideas have been used effectively in the past and why they will work well within the project.

Evaluation Panel

Submissions will be reviewed and scored by a panel of experts comprised of representatives from Met Office, Met Office contracted Regional Coordinators and FCDO. The Commercial Procurement department will manage each element of the evaluation to ensure appropriate and consistent scoring against the evaluation criteria, transparent and equal treatment in accordance with process. **The evaluation panel will not include any members of the WISER MENA team who were involved in forming the ToR or writing the scoping report.**

Section eleven – Award Process



If a Proposal receives a score of one (1) or less, or a Fail, in any of the evaluation criteria, the Proposal will not be evaluated any further. The Met Office's decision in this regard shall be final.

A total overall score of equal to or above 50% must be achieved for a Bid to be eligible for award of the Grant funding. Bids scoring less than 50% may be disqualified or further clarification sought (at the Met Office's sole discretion).

It is the Met Offices' intention to award Grant funding to at least one proposal.

Met Office reserves the right to award to more than one beneficiary, to ensure WISER programme delivery requirements are met.

Award and feedback notifications will be issued from the Met Office Grant.Defrayment@metoffice.gov.uk email address in accordance with the indicative timetable detailed in Section 2. Notwithstanding the issue of such an award notice, Met Office shall be under no obligation to enter into any Grant Agreement or issue any Grant funds whatsoever. The Call process shall be considered to have been completed upon issue of the Grant Award.

The Met Office will issue each unsuccessful Bidder with a notice and feedback, either during the Call process (if the Bidder has been disqualified or have not met mandatory eligibility or evaluation criteria) or following the completion of the Call process.



Structured project implementation monitoring, and reporting governance are good practise project management control activities. They capture and record critical project information at a single point in time for regular review. Reporting on implementation provides projects with an opportunity to communicate narrative around the direction of the project, as well as highlighting key successes and learning within a defined time period. Robust implementation monitoring and governance also provides an assurance function to the WISER programme.

Project Implementation Monitoring and Reporting Expectations

Monthly Highlight Report

Project reporting will be monthly via a project Highlight Report. Areas for inclusion include: project progress summary with RAG status against timeline and outputs, accurate and high-level finance information, risk position, planned communications. The monthly Highlight Report will be in a simple template and should require no more than 3hrs to complete each month.

Monthly Project Board

After submission of the monthly Highlight Report, there will be a Project Board meeting held via Teams. This will be an opportunity for the Project Delivery Team and the WISER Programme Team to discuss progress to date, support with issue resolution and look for opportunities for sharing and learning across WISER MENA. This meeting will be attended by the Project Manager as standard, with Finance representation needed when relevant. The meeting will be scheduled for 45-60 mins each month.

Quarterly Financial Reports

To align to fund disbursements, detailed Financial Reports and Request for Funds are required on a quarterly basis.

Six Monthly Narrative Report

There is a formal Six-Monthly Narrative Report required from all Projects, with the timeline driven by onward WISER MENA to FCDO reporting. This will be a more comprehensive progress report and will cover all areas of project implementation, including but not limited to progress against your project Logframe, GESI and VfM. It is expected that Projects will require 1-3 days to prepare this report, depending on the scale and complexity of project design. There will be no requirement for a Monthly Highlight Report in the same month as a Six-Monthly Narrative Report.

Summary



The time expectation for project monitoring and reporting is set at around ½ day per month. This includes the production of detailed content that aligns to the Monthly Highlight Report template, containing valuable, succinct and accurate project information for input into the wider WISER Programme.

Reporting Requirements Summary:

Frequency	Deliverable
Monthly	Highlight Report Project Board Meeting
Quarterly	Financial Report
Six monthly	Full narrative Report Logframe Update

A detailed project reporting timeline and template will be shared upon commencement of successful proposed projects, with all reporting templates indicated above provided by the WISER Programme Team.



WISER requires that the funding be awarded in a manner that fits with ODA guidelines. All Bids under the WISER Programme must therefore be compliant with these guidelines. Met Office asks all Bidders to demonstrate ODA compliance by providing an ODA compliance statement. **The ODA compliance statement is assessed as a standalone document (pass/fail)** and, should the bid be successful, may be subsequently scrutinised by FCDO, the OECD or other bodies involved in ODA scrutiny.

Guidance on writing your ODA compliance statement:

- ODA statements receiving a pass are usually approximately 500 words.
- The ODA compliance statement should be a **standalone document**, written in **plain English** (assume no technical and limited scientific knowledge), and will not be read in conjunction with the rest of your bid. Please assume that any evidence of ODA compliance held within other sections of your bid will not be taken into account – therefore information from other sections of the bid can be repeated in the ODA compliance statement where relevant.
- Your ODA compliance statement should clearly **define the challenge(s)** that your proposal will seek to address. You can do this by **explaining the impact** that the problem or challenge has on the economic development of the recipient country/ countries or the welfare of its population. Please reference one or more of the UN SDGs.
- The statement should include plausible **evidence of the development need or challenge** that you are seeking to address. Where possible, demonstrate how the **development need or challenge has uneven impacts on beneficiaries, particularly vulnerable and marginalised groups**. Examples of plausible evidence can include peer-reviewed papers, in-country government documents, requests from partner organisations based on their understanding of in-country stakeholder needs and other credible sources.
- Your ODA compliance statement should include a credible description of the likely **pathways to impact** of your proposed project.
- Please note that we don't ask bidders to produce a separate pathways to impact document, so the relevant information needs to be included in the ODA compliance statement.

<http://www.oecd.org/dac/stats/officialdevelopmentassistancedefinitionandcoverage.htm>

UN Sustainable Development Goals



The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a collection of 17 global goals set by the United Nations General Assembly in 2015. The SDGs are at the heart of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, providing a shared blueprint of peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future.

Bids should support one or more of the UN SDGs:

GOAL 1: No Poverty

GOAL 2: Zero Hunger

GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being

GOAL 4: Quality Education

GOAL 5: Gender Equality

GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation

GOAL 7: Affordable and Clean Energy

GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth

GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

GOAL 10: Reduced Inequality

GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

GOAL 12: Responsible Consumption and Production

GOAL 13: Climate Action

GOAL 14: Life Below Water

GOAL 15: Life on Land

GOAL 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions

GOAL 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal

For further information about the UN SDGs and their targets please visit:
www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/

Please use Section 23 of the Call Part 2 Submission Template document for your ODA Statement submission.

ANNEXES - GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS



Annex 1 – Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning Guidance



Annex 1 - WISER
MENA MEL Guidance.

Annex 2 - Knowledge Management and Applied Learning (KMAL) Guidance



Annex 2 - KMAL
guidance.pdf

Annex 3 – Gender, equity and social inclusion (GESI) Guidance



Annex 3 - GESI
guidance.pdf

Annex 4 – WISER MENA Theory of Change



Annex 4 - WISER
MENA ToC Narrative.

Annex 5 – Value for Money Guidance



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