



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How long can the project be?

Projects should not exceed two years but on average are anticipated to be between six months to one year.

Will the Fund support developmental projects in addition to entrepreneurial projects?

Development is not separate from entrepreneurship. The fund aims to ensure that all projects include sustainability mechanisms so that projects' sustainability enable long term development. CIIF is concerned with the impact of each project – how many persons have benefitted, in what ways and what future potential the project can realistically generate.

What additional resources will CIIF provide to support those wishing to apply?

The objective of CIIF is to establish a community of practice so that the fund establishes platforms for exchange or transfer of ideas between a range of stakeholders in the sector. As such, CIIF is activating a number of avenues that will benefit stakeholders. The CIIF Grant Writing Studio will function as an Ideas Incubator where potential applicants to the fund can deepen the innovation, collaboration and sustainability of their projects. In addition CIIF Creative Talk will be a valuable source of connections, ideas and learning for stakeholders who require an understanding of the ecosystem of each sector. As CIIF confirms additional offerings, these will be shared via the CIIF webpage.

Can I partner with people and organisations from countries that are not CDB borrowing members ?

Yes, as long as the organisation applying is legally registered in a Borrowing Member Country, the lead person is resident in a Borrowing Member Country and will be directly responsible for the project and coordination of affiliated entities and is not functioning as an intermediary.

If my project does not meet all of the project criteria, would it still be considered?

Not every project will meet each project criterion, however, it is important that applicants can meet most of the eligibility criteria of the fund. Ultimately, the fund aims to support innovative, collaborative and sustainable projects rather than projects that are one-off ventures.

**More questions?
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