 

**CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

**BUDGET OVERSIGHT SMALL GRANT**

**FOR CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS**

**A. BACKGROUND**

In framework of the European Union (EU) Direct Budget Support to Mongolia, the UNDP in partnership with the FAO and ILO implements the project SDG-Aligned Budgeting to Transform Employment in Mongolia aiming to support the increased employment and promotion of decent work in Mongolia. The Project plans to achieve its goal by conjoining two main streams of activities: i) enabling and promoting employability in Mongolia via direct interventions and policy improvements, and ii) improving the public finance management systems to absorb results-oriented, effective, and evidence-based policies and budget initiatives in employment and labor sectors.

The project focuses on the following four components:

* Component A. Bridging Policies with Budgets
* Component B. Budget Oversight and Transparency
* Component C. Employment Promotion: Boosting Employability
* Component D. Effective Application of International Labor Standards

This assignment is intended to promote the CSOs’ engagements in budget analysis and oversight and build their monitoring capacity to improve fiscal transparency, oversight, focus on results, and accountability.

**B. THEMATIC AREAS**

The proposals applied for the grant must align with the following thematic areas:

* Prepare the monitoring reports on budget implementation using RBB principles through social sectors such as employment, health, education, agriculture sector, transport, and local government.
* Conduct policy effectiveness analysis using a specific methodology in collaboration with parliament and government and produce policy paper and brief.

**C. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Only local, national, or community-based non-governmental and not-for-profit civil society organization works on budget monitoring and oversight can apply for this grant. Government authorities and for-profit (commercial, private market) actors cannot apply but may participate as cooperation partners in the project or be part of a coalition where a civil society organization is the main applicant.

**D. PROJECT CRITERIA**

Under the small grants programme, UNDP will contribute approximately **MNT** **150,000,000 up to 10 CSOs** **(MNT 10,000,000 - MNT 15,000,000 each)**. Organizations will need to have been in existence for **3 years** or more, with a strong and verifiable track record.

The proposed project activities must be completed by **30 October 2022.**

The selection criteria will involve the following elements:

1. Experience and capacity of the applicant
2. Relevance to the grant themes
3. Effectiveness
4. Sustainability and Scalability
5. Timeframe and Budget

**E. HOW TO APPLY**

Interested organizations must submit the following application documents to the e-mail: registry.mn@undp.org with a subject “CSO Budget Oversight Low Value Grant Application” not later than **30 April 2022.** Inquiries can be made using same email address.

Application documents:

* **Fully completed project proposal in English using the template provided below:**

[Low Value Grant Agreement Template](https://www.mn.undp.org/content/dam/mongolia/Publications/Low%20Value%20Grant%20Proposal%20Template.docx)

* **Copy of registration certificate of the applicant organization**

Only the successful candidates will be notified within **20 May 2022**.

**F. TRAINING**

A training on budget oversight will be organized on **15 April 2022** for CSOs, and the interested organizations are invited to register on the following link:

[Төсвийн гүйцэтгэлийн хяналт сургалтын бүртгэл](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeeJNE-RGmb4rHhcqEWdzCD-ozK6lKThs5K2MU7HOk2CowAAw/viewform?usp=pp_url)