

Call for Expression of Interest

Child-centered climate, energy, environment and disaster risk reduction (CEED) interventions

CEF/MDA/2025/001

1 Timeline

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| Posted | Jan 20, 2025 |
| Clarification Request Deadline | Feb 17, 2025 |
| Application Deadline | Feb 24, 2025 |
| Notification of Results | Mar 17, 2025 |
| Start Date | Apr 1, 2025 |
| End Date | Mar 31, 2026 |

2 Locations

- A Moldova
 - a Raionul Straseni

3 Sector(s) and area(s) of specialization

- A WASH and Environment
 - a Energy
 - b Natural resources, environmental pollution and climate action

4 Issuing Agency

UNICEF

5 Project Background

The Republic of Moldova–UNICEF Country Programme for 2023–2027 supports the achievement of the priorities established by national strategies, policies and programmes related to the realization of child rights and especially related to the Sustainable Development Goals (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 13 and 16) and targets. It complements the Republic of Moldova–United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework 2023–2027 that continues with a delivering-as-one approach, and to UNICEF Strategic Plan for 2022–2025. The Country Programme 2023–2027 and the UNICEF Strategic Plan for 2022–2025 sets the ground for children and youth focused CEED interventions. CEED interventions are targeting the following areas: Advocating for global recognition and fulfilment of children's inalienable right to a healthy environment, and to take steps to enshrine this right where appropriate into national, regional and global frameworks and/or national policies and legislation; Enhancing efforts to respect, promote and consider the rights of children and young people in implementation of the Paris Agreement at all levels, including recognition of their specific vulnerabilities, as well as their status as key stakeholders and implementers, in countries' national climate adaptation and mitigation measures, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), National Adaptation Plans (NAPs),

and long-term greenhouse gas emissions development strategies, including consideration of the particular role and responsibilities of the private sector; Scaling up and accelerating investment in child- and youth-responsive adaptation, disaster risk reduction and mitigation measures, cognizant of the urgent need to focus on reaching children most at risk, and advocate for child-sensitive criteria to be mainstreamed in multilateral funds; Strengthening the capacity of children and young people on climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts by establishing and investing in climate change and environmental education, and equipping children and young people with the knowledge and skills required to protect themselves and contribute to a safe and sustainable future, ensuring that such efforts reach marginalized children and youth; Enhancing the meaningful participation of children and youth in climate change processes, including through the Action for Climate Empowerment dialogue, by participating in the local, regional, national and international climate and DRR Forums, and examining opportunities to meaningfully support YOUNGO priorities and the participation of young people.

6 **Expected Results**

UNICEF is seeking partners who are willing to commit to activities and programmes covering the areas of climate, energy, environment and disaster risk reduction. Interested national Civil Society Organizations with active programmes in the Republic of Moldova are invited to submit their applications for partnership with UNICEF in achieving the specific CEED interventions targeting the five areas mentioned above. CSOs can apply for one or more areas and are requested to demonstrate their expertise and experience. There are no limitations as to the number of areas that a CSO can apply for. Applicants should demonstrate experience in delivering programs focused on at least one of the following: 1. Climate Change Education and Green Skills: Curriculum Integration: Contribute to updating the school curricula by including climate science, environmental challenges, and sustainable practices across all education levels, Teacher Training: Provide training for teachers on climate change education and green skills, using learner-centered and action-oriented pedagogical approaches, Student Engagement: Develop programs that encourage to participate and engage students in climate-related projects and problem-solving activities. 2. Youth Engagement in Climate Action and Policies: Children and Youth-Led Projects: Support children and youth-led climate projects, including advocacy, education, and environmental restoration initiatives. Participation in Policy Advocacy and Monitoring: Facilitate strengthening of mechanisms for youth and community participation in decision making, along with inclusive implementation and monitoring of climate policies. 3. Youth Engagement in DRR Actions: Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Education: Educate children and youth in DRR, including natural hazards, risk management activities and resilience strategies. Children and Youth-led DRR Actions: Support DRR activities led by children and youth, such as workshops, peer education programs and disaster preparedness projects. Development of DRR Plans: Developing accessible monitoring systems, feedback and accountability mechanisms for emergency preparedness and response plans at local, national and international level.

7 **Indicative Budget**

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8 **Other Information**

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9 **Selection Criteria**

| Name | Description | Weight |
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| Relevance of proposal to achieving expected results | Relevance of proposal to achieving expected results; Clarity of activities and expected results; Replicability/scalability of intervention. | 40 |
| Sector expertise and experience | Expertise and experience in climate, environment, energy and/or disaster risk reduction; Experience in policy advocacy; Local experience (number of years), presence and community relations; Experience working with children and youth. | 20 |
| Cost effectiveness | Adequacy and clarity of proposed budget (including contribution by CSO). | 20 |
| Innovative approach | Innovative approaches for youth engagement and youth-led initiatives. | 10 |
| Experience working with UN | Past successful implementations and cooperation with UN/UNICEF. | 10 |

10 **Attachments**

| Description | URL |
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| Call for Expression of Interest: Child-centered climate, energy, environmen | Download the document here |
| Attachment I – Partner Declaration | Download the document here |
| Attachment III – Programme Proposal | Download the document here |
| Attachment II – CSO Identification Profile | Download the document here |

11 **Concept Note Template**

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12 **For more information on this partnership opportunity, and to apply, please visit**

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