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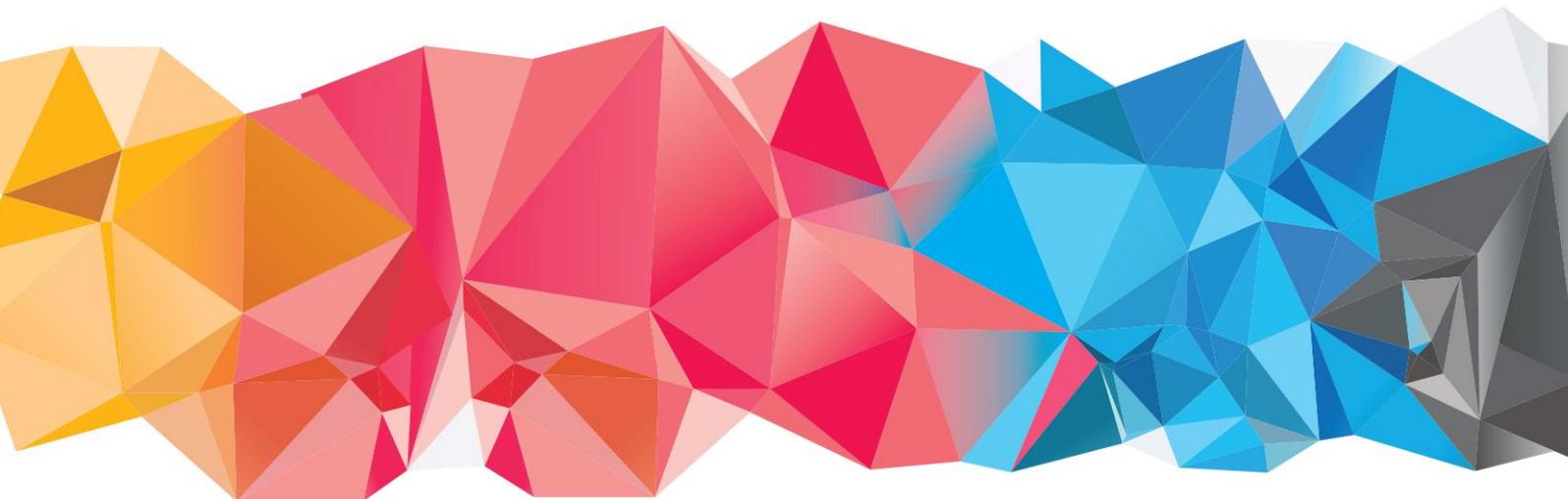
Mediterranean City-to-City Migration

Dialogue, Knowledge and Action

MC²OM

SUPPORTING
URBAN MIGRATION
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CALL FOR TARGETED CITY ACTIONS





MC2CM Call for Targeted Actions

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1. Introduction

Migration is a defining feature of urbanisation. Cities are places where people come together to live, work and find opportunities. It is also in the city where the reality of social and economic accommodation of newcomers and their interaction with host communities takes place.

In this context, the Mediterranean City-to-City Migration project (MC2CM) contributes to improved rights-based migration governance in cities. Through its three components: **Dialogue**, **Knowledge** and **Action**, MC2CM anchors migration governance to a process of urban planning addressing the objectives as set out in the MC2CM policy recommendations: *Urban Challenges and Opportunities for the Mediterranean Region*.

MC2CM is in its second phase of implementation which began on 1 July 2018 and will run until 31 March 2021. More information about MC2CM is available at www.icmpd.org/mc2cm

2. Functioning of MC2CM

MC2CM is implemented by ICMPD, UCLG and UN-Habitat, under the scope of a Delegation Agreement with the European Commission, Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR), in the framework of the EU Emergency Trust Fund – North of Africa Window. It is co-funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).

The overall strategic guidance, leadership and supervision for the implementation of MC2CM is carried out by the Project Steering Group consisting of representatives from the European Commission (DG NEAR), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation and representatives from each of the partner organisations ICMPD, UCLG and UN-Habitat.

MC2CM activities are divided into three main components:

- The **Dialogue** component promotes cooperation and cross-fertilisation of practices between relevant stakeholders through dedicated learning programme and exchanges.
- The **Knowledge** component delivers research to shed light on relevant data and information about the local dimension of migration and its priorities.
- The **Action** component, in which this call is framed, sets out to provide sustainable solutions and testing tools to address migration-related challenges and opportunities.

Furthermore, the objective of promoting a realistic and fair narrative on migration cuts across all project activities.

The MC2CM network is made up of 9 cities that participated in the first phase of implementation (Amman, Beirut, Lisbon, Lyon, Madrid, Tangier, Tunis, Turin Metropolitan City and Vienna) constituting the champion cities of the network who have undergone rigorous feasibility studies. **11 new cities** will be joining the MC2CM core network. An extended group of cities will be invited to participate in the project on ad hoc basis.



3. Objectives of the call

The objective of the call is to award Actions that contribute to foster rights-based urban migration governance systems and advance social cohesion in the region.

Actions must align to at least one of the specific objectives of the MC2CM project:

- A. Improving cooperation between relevant stakeholders in the field of migration at local, national, regional and international levels
- B. Improving migration-related knowledge and data management in the field of migration governance
- C. Establishing policy, legislative, institutional and regulatory frameworks in the field of migration governance
- D. Promoting a realistic and fair narrative on migration and fostering intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding

Applicants shall establish a measurable link to the above objectives during the proposal stage and must also indicate how the action sets out to implement the [MC2CM policy recommendations](#) by making direct reference to this framework document.

4. Scope of Actions

Actions submitted should be implemented in at least one of the target countries of MC2CM (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, Lebanon, Libya and Tunisia) and set out to address an identified need of local urban migration governance in line with the above listed objectives of the call.

In line with the MC2CM Policy recommendations, actions can address the following priority areas:

- provision of welcome instruments
- access to education
- access to health
- urban management and access to transition shelter and adequate housing
- access to labour market, entrepreneurship and vocational training
- access to social and political participation
- protection against discrimination, forced evictions, and prevention of homelessness
- foster social inclusion and interaction between migrants and host communities

Applications must demonstrate a thorough analysis of the local context where the Action is due to take place. This must be corroborated through providing of a feasibility study, City Migration Profile or similar.

Actions addressing the gender dimension of migration are particularly encouraged.

Actions must specify complementarity with other existing and related funding and programmes and indicate measurable expected results.



5. Eligibility criteria

5.1 Eligibility of applicants:

- Local or Regional Government body
- Local or Regional Government associations or networks, international organisations, non-governmental organisations and other private law bodies, established in the EU or target countries, working on a non-profit basis. If the applicant is not a governmental body at local or regional level, **a letter of support from public body (local or regional) where proposed action is based must be provided in the application**
- Consortia targeting one or more cities are eligible
- Applicants must have financial and operational capacity to complete the proposed Action
- Applicant and affiliated entities must have necessary professional competences and qualifications to complete proposed Action
- Preference will be given to Actions proposed by MC2CM network cities

5.2 Eligibility of Actions:

- Action carried out in target country (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia)
- Action must demonstrate clear and achievable objectives, a realistic workplan and acceptable timeline and measurable outcomes
- Action must be completed by 1 December 2020
- Duly filling out of the Application Form and Budget in English or French and submitting along with supporting documents, including:
 - o ***last annual financial (audited) report of the organisation, where applicable***
 - o ***list of initiatives involving external funding in the past 5 years, where applicable***
 - o ***feasibility study on which Action is based***
 - o ***Letter of support from municipality(ies)***

Failure to comply with these requirements will lead to the rejection of the Application.

5.2.1 Eligible costs:

The eligible costs of the Action are costs that meet all of the following criteria:

- they are necessary for carrying out the Action, directly attributable to it, arising as a direct consequence of its implementation and charged in proportion to the actual use
- they are incurred in accordance to the budget provisions
- they are actually incurred by the organisation
- they are reasonable, justified comply with the principle of Sound Financial Management and are in line with the usual practices of the organisation regardless of their source of funding
- they are incurred during the implementation period
- they are identifiable and backed by supporting documents

- they are covered by one of the sub-headings in the budget template in Annex of the Application Form
- they comply with the applicable tax and social legislation taking into account the organisation's privileges and immunities

5.2.2 Ineligible costs:

The following costs are ineligible for financing:

- purchase of land or buildings
- salary costs of personnel of public administrations
- costs declared under another agreement financed by the European Union or any other donor
- bonuses, provisions, reserves or non-remuneration related costs
- full purchase cost of equipment and assets
- duties, taxes and charges, including VAT, that are recoverable by the organisation
- return of capital
- debts and debt service charges
- provision for losses, debts or potential future liabilities
- banking charges for the transfers from the contracting authority
- costs incurred during the suspension of the implementation of the agreement

6. Award criteria & Evaluation

Eligible applications and their proposed Action will be assessed by a Selection Committee made up of representatives of the Project Steering Group on the basis of the following award criteria:

Criteria		Weight
Relevance	<p><i>To what extent does the Action align to and contribute to MC2CM objectives and generate added value, especially in relation to improving urban migration governance and achieving inclusive cities?</i></p> <p><i>To what extent is the Action aligned to a city's participation in the MC2CM project (core member of the network)?</i></p> <p><i>To what extent does the Action set out to achieve one or more of the MC2CM policy recommendations?</i></p> <p><i>To what extent does the Action address the objectives of framework documents including the Global Compact for Migration, the New Urban Agenda, and Sustainable Development Goals?</i></p> <p><i>To what extent does the Action address an identified local need?</i></p>	30%

Quality of Proposal and Implementation Methodology	<i>To what extent is the proposal clear and coherent with its envisaged activity(ies)?</i>	20%
Measurability	<i>To what extent will the Action deliver measurable results? i.e. Clear (gender specific) targets?</i>	20%
Sustainability	<i>To what extent will the proposed Action contribute to a sustainable result beyond the timeline of implementation?</i>	20%
Cost effectiveness	<i>To what degree is the level of output and impact of the Action proportional to the amount of requested grant?</i> <i>To what extent are the costs of the Action borne from additional funding sources?</i>	10%

7. Timetable

Publication of Call	01/2019
Information session(s) (workshops and webinars)	11/02/2019 – 14/02/2019
Deadline for applications	27/03/2019
Indicative date of final decision	05/2019
Possible adjustment to proposed Action	05-06/2019
Signature of Grant Contract*	07/2019
Indicative starting date of Actions	07/2019
Latest possible end of implementation of awarded Actions	01/12/2020

*Where applicable

8. Grant provisions

- **Available budgetary allocation for the Call for Proposals**
A total budget of 850,000 Euros has been earmarked for Targeted City Actions. The maximum amount of funding available per Action is 50,000 Euros. Consideration will be given for joint action proposals up to a maximum of 60,000 Euros corresponding to implementation in more than one city fulfilling the set criteria.
- **Co-financing rate**
Under this Call for Proposals, MC2CM may finance up to 100% of the total eligible cost of action.
- **Non-retroactivity**
No grant may be awarded retroactively for Actions already completed. Costs eligible for financing must not have been incurred prior to the date of signature of Grant Contract.

- **Non-profit**

The grant may not produce a profit for the Applicant or Co-Applicant(s). Profit is defined as a surplus of the receipts over the eligible costs approved by the Contracting Authority when the request for payment balance is made.

9. Instructions

- Fill in and submit Application Packet in ENGLISH or FRENCH by **27 March 2019, 12:00 CET** to action.MC2CM@icmpd.org
- Please address any questions by email to action.MC2CM@icmpd.org. Replies will be provided to all questions in writing within 2 working days **by 22 March** at the latest.

Submission Checklist:

- Filled Application Form , with supporting docs:
 - last annual financial (audited) report of the organization, where applicable**
 - list of initiatives involving external funding in the past 5 years, where applicable**
 - feasibility study on which Action is based**
 - Letter of support from municipality(ies)**
- Filled Budget template