

ANNEX III: PARTICIPATING UN ORGANIZATIONS STRATEGY FOR THE 2020 CALL FOR PROPOSALS

UNESCWA

I. Overall approach to UNRSF 2020 Call for Proposals

Road Safety has always been one of the core activities of UN ESCWA, as one of the main components of the Integrated Transport System in the Arab States, which includes ESCWA agreements on International Roads and International Railways as well as an MOU on Maritime Transport Cooperation. Since 2017, road safety issues in the Arab region were discussed during all sessions of ESCWA Committee on Transport and Logistics. In 2019, UNRSF selected two projects for funding from ESCWA region (Tunisia and Jordan). At the present, ESCWA is actively participating in the work of the inter-agency task force in charge of the preparation of the plan of action of the new decade. For the future work plan of the second decade of action, ESCWA will give priority to projects that have a significant and sustainable impact, which corresponds to the UNRSF vision.

ESCWA is currently covering 20¹ out of the 22 Arab countries members of the League of Arab States (LAS). However, the present call concerns only 14 countries which are considered as low- and middle-income².

For the UNRSF 2020 call for proposals, ESCWA will focus on regional priorities as adopted by the [regional workshop on road safety management in the Arab countries, held in Beirut on 27 and 28 November 2018, in partnership with the UNSG's Special Envoy for Road Safety](#), and endorsed by the [19th session of the Committee on Transport and Logistics](#).

II. Application strategy

ESCWA will accept applications only from governmental entities, strongly encouraged to engage internal cooperation with NGOs and/or Academia. Moreover, ESCWA will explore the possibility of potential projects cooperation with other [UNRSF Participating UN Organizations \(PUNOs\)](#), as well as possible co-financing with Multilateral Development Entities.

On **6 November 2020**, call for proposals letters will be shared with the focal point ministries of ESCWA Member States inviting to complete one application form by country and to send it to ESCWA, together with the name and address of the national focal point (**no later than 6 December 2020**).

The ESCWA Internal team will review potential projects (which meet the minimum criteria) and might suggest areas for improvement (**by 11 December 2020**).

Some countries will be invited to submit the amended and improved project proposal application form (**no later than 24 December 2020**).

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