CLARIFICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS

Young Women for Awareness, Agency, Advocacy & Accountability Initiative

External End Evaluation (ETE)

Since the launch of the call for consultancy proposals for the Young Women for Awareness, Agency, Advocacy & Accountability (YW4A) Initiative's External End Evaluation (ETE), we have received questions from potential applicants seeking clarification on various aspects of the process. We appreciate those who took the time to send in their inquiries.

To ensure transparency, fairness, and equal access to information, we have compiled these **clarifications for applicants** and share them publicly. This document provides all interested applicants with the same level of detail regarding the scope, requirements, and expectations of the consultancy, helping to streamline the application process and facilitate well-informed submissions.

1. **Q: We are a consultancy firm with a geographically dispersed team, including members in or from the Global South, however, the firm is officially based in the USA. Does this pose a problem?**

   A: The geographical location of the candidate is not limited. We are, however, seeking a team that collectively presents strong expertise in the four countries of implementation or at least its regions.

2. **Q: Have any prior programme evaluations been done, and if so, can you share them with us?**

   A: In 2023 the YW4A conducted an internal mid-term review. The report will be shared with the selected candidate during the inception phase only to provide equal opportunity to all potential candidates.

3. **Q: Can the data collection take place online (virtual) in Palestine and South Sudan?**

   A: Ideally, the evaluation would include face-to-face data collection in at least some of the intervention sites of each one of the four countries. In practice, this may be challenging for various reasons, which may justify conducting online data collection on some sites instead. It is up to each consultancy team to determine in their methodology which sites they propose to include in the data collection, whether they will use online or face-to-face data collection or a combination of both, and to explain the rationale behind this.

4. Q: The ToR outlines that the presentations of the preliminary findings and the draft report will take place online, while the presentation of the final report is not mentioned as virtual. Does that mean that the final presentation will take place offline? If yes, in Kenya?

A: Thanks for pointing out this discrepancy. The final presentation on the ETE report will also be virtual, which will allow the different programme stakeholders to attend.

5. Q: Can you share with us the number of different stakeholders in each country that were reached so that we can work on the sampling strategy?

A: See below overview.

Country	Pathway 1	Pathway 2	Pathway 3	Pathway 4
Egypt	• 5 Women's Rights Organisations • 1 Faith-based Organisation	4,200 young women	4 Faith-based Organisations	4 laws/policies/strategies
Kenya	• 6 Women's Rights Organisations • 3 Faith-based Organisations	4,300 young women	3 Faith-based Organisations	6 laws/policies/strategies
Palestine	• 4 Women's Rights Organisations • 1 Faith-based Organisation	2,200 young women	6 Faith-based Organisations	4 laws/policies/strategies
South Sudan	• 2 Women's Rights Organisations • 1 Faith-based Organisation	3,000 young women	5 Faith-based Organisation	7 laws/policies/strategies
Total	**23 organisations (out of which 6 FBOs also participate in Pathway 3)**	**13,700 young women engaged in the RiseUp! leadership training**	**18 Faith-based Organisations (out of which 6 also participate in Pathway 1)**	**YW4A targets its advocacy interventions on a total of 21 laws/policies/ strategies, focusing on the opportunities and relevant actors existing at the country level, regionally, as well as globally.**