

Thematic call for grant applications Tailor-Made Training Plus OKP-SROL-40016

Joint proposal

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| Country | <p>This call is open to the countries on the Orange Knowledge Country list that have;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SRoL in the Country Plan of Implementation: Colombia, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Rwanda, Tunisia, Uganda (A-countries) or ▪ SRoL mentioned in the Country Focus Document: Afghanistan, Burkina Faso, DRC, Guatemala, Guinea, Lebanon, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Somalia, Sudan, Suriname, Yemen (B-countries) |
| Priority themes | Security and the Rule of Law - SRoL |
| Aim of the project | Investing in skills and competencies needed in the Security and the Rule of Law Sector |
| Call number | OKP-SROL-40016 |
| Maximum available funding for this call, excluding co-funding | EUR 2,350,000 |
| Maximum funding per Tailor-Made Training Plus, excluding co-funding | EUR 75,000 – EUR 150,000 |
| Co-funding | The % of co-funding depends on the country where the project will be implemented. Please check the Country Plan of Implementation and/or the Country Focus Document whether co-funding is required. |
| Note: At least 50% of the required cofunding must come from local funding in the partner country. | |
| Final date TMT+ | Before 31 March 2022 |

Time schedule

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| Closing date for submission of grant applications | 13th May 2021 11.00 A.M CEST |
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1. Introduction: The Orange Knowledge Programme

The Orange Knowledge Programme is a 5 year global development programme, aimed at strengthening professionals and organisations through education and training. It contributes to the goals of the Netherlands' [development cooperation policy](#), in which education plays a significant role.

The programme offers funding in 38 countries for individual scholarships, tailor-made trainings and institutional partnerships between Dutch and foreign education institutions in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) and higher education. It focuses on the priority themes of the Dutch government (Water, Food and Nutrition Security, Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights, and Security and Rule of Law) and aims throughout the programme for inclusion, employability and environmental sustainability.

Nuffic is programme manager, in close collaboration with the programme's funder, the Netherlands' Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Running from mid-2017 to mid-2022, it will offer at least 51,000 people the chance to change their future through education.

The Orange Knowledge Programme Tailor-Made Plus Training is meant to improve the overall functioning of organisations by training a selected group of staff. A Tailor-Made Training can solve knowledge and skills challenges of organisations' staff, by specifically targeting their capacity needs.

More information about the Orange Knowledge Programme such as the basic principles and the policy framework can be found on the Nuffic website:

<https://www.nuffic.nl/en/subjects/orange-knowledge-programme>.

The Orange Knowledge Grant Obligations and Conditions for group trainings, which are binding for Tailor-Made Training Plus, can be found among the 'Guidelines and formats' under the link to this call.

The Orange Knowledge Programme focuses on sustainable strengthening of capacity within local priority themes relevant to Dutch development cooperation which are outlined in the Country Plans of Implementation (CPI). Click [here](#) for the CPI's per country.

The Theory of Change (ToC) of the Orange Knowledge Programme describes the interlinkages between capacity building and sustainable inclusive development to which each approved initiative under the Orange Knowledge Programme contributes. The ToC can be found [here](#).

This document describes the procedure for submitting an Orange Knowledge Programme grant application for a Tailor-Made Training Plus.

2. Information specific for this call

2.1 Long-term impact

The Theory of Change (ToC) of the Orange Knowledge Programme presents the expected medium and long-term impact and outcomes of the programme. Each impact and outcome is quantified by a number of indicators which are described in the Orange Knowledge Programme Monitoring and Evaluation Framework and relates to the M&E Framework of Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

All projects must contribute to achieving these impact and outcomes. The grant application and, if the application is selected, subsequent reporting must give insight into how the project will contribute/contributes to achieving impact and outcomes.

The CPI gives all details about the impact, outcomes and indicators of the ToC of the Orange Knowledge Programme and of the contribution to the thematic ToC(s) specific to the country in question in Annex 3.

The proposed project must contribute to the following objective:

Contribute to promoting just, peaceful and inclusive societies and achieving legitimate stability (SDG 16)

The proposed project must contribute to at least one of the following long-term impacts (Please check the Country Plan of Implementation or Country Focus document which long-term impact applies to the respective country):

- Human security: Reduced levels of violence and levels of fear experienced
- Rule of Law: Citizens are better able to access their rights through fair, efficient, impartial, independent and accountable institutions
- Peace and governance: States, regional and local authorities and societies at large are able to effectively prevent and resolve conflict in a non-violent and inclusive manner
- Social and economic reconstruction: Income generating and livelihoods opportunities to prevent the (re)occurrence of conflicts, instability or irregular migration

The following medium-term impact will contribute to this:

- (I) education system (TVET/HE) is of good quality, relevant and accessible (SDG 4) (**NB.** use if your proposal targets knowledge institutions);
- (II) Partnerships between persons and organisations are inclusive and sustainable (SDG 17);
- (III) Organisations key to (sectoral) inclusive development of partner countries are strengthened by inflow of enhanced workforce.

This will be achieved by the following outcome:

- A. TVET/HE organisations (in the selected partner countries and in the NL) perform their core tasks better, firmly embedded in their environment, in line with country/regional specific labour market needs and aiming at inclusiveness (**NB.** use if your proposal targets knowledge institutions);
- B. Enhanced knowledge and skills of individuals and organisations (in partner countries and in the NL) in line with country/regional specific labour market needs and aiming at

inclusiveness.

In the Orange Knowledge Programme format for a grant application the consortium partners will be asked to select relevant indicators to measure the achievement during and after project implementation at medium-term and long-term-level.

2.2 Context of the call

Capacity building interventions in the Security and the Rule of Law Sector (SRoL) address varying educational and institutional needs depending on the level of stability, security and democratisation per country or region. The majority of interventions of the Orange Knowledge Programme address (future) staff of institutions engaged in the rule of law, such as the judiciary, juvenile justice and law enforcement agencies: indirectly through strengthening juridical education (for instance, faculties of law), directly through targeting the training capacity of these institutions.

In addition, capacity support is geared towards strengthening accountability mechanisms through support in human resource development, examples are support to anti-corruption agencies and safeguarding space for journalism and civil society. Capacity support in several conflict-affected and fragile settings have an additional focus in contributing to institutions engaged in legitimate stability, reconciliation and sustainable peace with gender based violence as an important cross-cutting issue. A number of post-conflict settings benefit from capacity building in social and economic reconstruction.

While the majority of interventions aim to improve or consolidate the rule of law and inclusive governance, present-day challenges in some regions that are part of OKP require a renewed focus on the knowledge and skills of work force engaged in the justice and security domain, more specifically, cyber security, countering violent extremism, maritime security and migration.

A common challenge among most OKP-beneficiary organisations (both education institutes as well as training centres from (non)governmental agencies) is translating policy into practise and theoretical knowledge into hands-on skills to operate effectively in the security & the rule of law sector.

The general criteria and principles of the Orange Knowledge Programme apply to this call. In addition, the following specific criteria apply to this call:

- Skills development and/or competency based learning should be at the core of the proposal;
- Gender and / or gender based violence must be an integral part of the proposal;
- In fragile and (post)conflict-affected settings, the applicants must explain how attention will be paid to conflict sensitive programming;
- In view of the short time-frame of the project, the proposal needs to consolidate or build further on existing initiatives and partnerships in SRoL (not necessarily OKP).

Please note: this call is not limited to formal educational institutes, but is also open to training institutes like for instance governmental agencies, regulatory bodies and NGO's.

Complementarity: One guiding principle of the Orange Knowledge Programme is complementarity: in the alignment with other Dutch centralised or decentralised development programmes and in the optimal integration of the available four OKP instruments (Institutional Collaboration Projects, Tailor Made Trainings, Scholarships, alumni activities). Please take this guiding principle into account when developing your proposal and elaborate on it in question 1.1.7 of the joint proposal.

The intervention should be closely aligned with national policies and with other already existing initiatives (including projects funded by Nuffic, the Dutch Embassy or other donors) to generate more impact towards overcoming the education and training gaps in SRoL. By continuing where other projects have ended; by working in parallel with other initiatives; and by building a strong foundation for the future, the continuity and sustainability of this project's results will become more strongly embedded.

COVID-19: all organisations working on proposals for TMT+ are requested to explicitly take into account the possible consequences of COVID-19 on the project implementation, in questions 1.3.4, 2.1.1, 2.1.4 and 2.2.3 of the joint proposal. In particular, describe in these questions the strategies you have chosen to cope with the travel limitation.

2.3 Co-funding

Co-funding is one of the key principles underpinning the programme. It contributes to reciprocity and increases ownership of the collaboration. Co-funding may involve public, private and/or own funds.

The amount of co-funding depends on the country's category according to the OECD's DAC list (LDC, OLIC, LMIC etc). Please check the [Country Focus Document](#) whether co-funding is required. If co-funding is required, at least 50% of the required co-funding must come from local funding in the partner country. If co-funding is not required, partners are still encouraged to include co-funding. Integration of co-funding in the breakdown of budgets will be one of the assessment criteria in the selection of applications.

A contribution from public funds is defined as: a contribution in cash or in kind to which is directly or indirectly paid for from state resources. State resources comprise all funds from the public sector, including funds from local levels of government (decentralised, federal, regional or other) and, in certain circumstances, funds from private bodies.

Public funds from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands (including embassies) do not count as co-funding, but can be added to the project.

Private funds are considered to be all funds – in cash or in kind – that are not state resources.

2.4 Questions about the call?

If you have a question about this call you can send an e-mail in English to TMT@nuffic.nl. Mention in your e-mail the call number.

3. Specific characteristics of Tailor-Made Training Plus

Orange Knowledge Tailor-Made Training Plus (TMT+) supports organisations by training a selected group of staff. Tailor-Made Training Plus can also be used to train professionals who have a common training need, but who are not staff members of the same organisation. An organisation from a partner country and a Dutch training provider must jointly formulate a training proposal. The joint proposal must be submitted by a Dutch training provider, potentially on behalf of their consortia.

The Tailor-Made Training Plus consists of at least a tailor-made training that fits the priority themes and focus areas for the country of the requesting organisation as specified on the first page of this call document. The following elements apply to TMT+:

- stronger emphasis on the sustainable embedding of the results within the organisations (in comparison with a regular TMT);
- stronger emphasis on involvement of a local/regional consortium partner with whom the requesting organisation ideally maintains a relationship after TMT+ (in comparison with a regular TMT);
- room for innovative approaches such as living labs, blended learning, study visits or short internships.
- possibility to include investments of a maximum of 10% of the OKP subsidy amount in the budget. The added value of the investment should be clearly demonstrated in the proposal.

The Tailor-Made Training Plus should be finished before 31 March 2022.

3.1 Eligibility

Grant applicants

Eligibility for OKP Group Training grants extends to Dutch institutions providing secondary and higher vocational and academic education or other types of Dutch organisations that provide educational training courses and that also contribute to strengthening of the priority themes in the countries on the Country List. These institutions must deliver the training themselves; intermediary organisations are not eligible. The institutions must have sufficient organisational and financial capacity to run a training course. This can be demonstrated using a COCA that is assessed as positive by Nuffic. The organisations must also have demonstrable experience in providing the desired training course.

Group training target group

To be eligible for an OKP Group Training grant, an application must propose a training course for candidates who meet the following criteria:

The candidates work for one of the following types of national and/or local organisations: ministries, secondary or higher vocational or academic education institutions, universities, private sector, commissions or NGOs. The candidates may not work for:

- a bilateral or multilateral organisation;

- a non-governmental organisation that is internationally active and is focused on representing social interests, such as development cooperation, nature and environmental protection, health or human rights.

The candidates must have the nationality of or be resident and working in one of the OKP countries for which grant applications for providing the type of group training courses concerned can be awarded (see the Country List Annex).

The candidates must be in a position to apply the acquired knowledge and skills in practice.

Please consult further requirements in the publication of the policy framework in [the Staatscourant](#) and in subsequent amendments.

3.2 Grant Obligations and Conditions

By submitting a grant application the applicant agrees with the Grant Obligations and Conditions for Group Training (version 4.0). The Orange Knowledge Grant Obligations and Conditions for group training can be found among the 'Guidelines and formats' under the link to this call.

3.3 Assessment

Assessment of the joint proposals will be done by Nuffic in consultation with the Dutch embassies and consulates. For a detailed explanation please refer to the Grant Application Assessment Explanation which can be found among the guidelines and formats under the link to this call.

4. Submit your proposal online

All TMT+ proposals have to be submitted via our web application Delta. We have prepared a TMT+ Delta User Manual to guide you through the application process. The Delta User Manual can be found among the 'Guidelines and formats' under the link to this call. Make sure you have all the information required for your application complete and ready before submitting.

WARNING: Please be aware that not all browsers work well with Delta. To be sure, it is preferable to make use of Edge or Google Chrome. Safari is known for not working well.

Submit your joint proposal in Delta: <https://delta.nuffic.nl/Application/Apply/637>

5. Required documents

An application needs to contain the following documents to be complete. Incomplete applications will be rejected.

1. TMT+ Joint Proposal Form Orange Knowledge Programme
2. TMT+ Budget Form Orange Knowledge Programme
3. TMT+ COCA Form Orange Knowledge Programme
4. CVs of all proposed resource persons (there is no prescribed format)

Please note that a COCA check doesn't have to be applied for simultaneously with an application for a TMT+. A COCA can be applied for at any time. We advise you to apply for a COCA check before applying for a joint proposal, to make sure that your COCA is not a reason for rejection.

We welcome you to send COCA applications any time to okp@nuffic.nl referring to COCA.