



REGULATIONS

Second Call for Proposals
LOCAL INITIATIVES FUND
SOUTH AFRICA

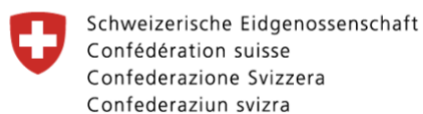
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PURPOSE

The “*Local Initiatives Fund*” in South Africa (LIFSA) is an initiative of the **Government of the Principality of Monaco** in partnership with the Alliance Française of Johannesburg and with the support of ILLIS Monaco, the Embassy of France in South Africa and the Embassy of Switzerland in South Africa. The fund works together with its partners and beneficiaries for the benefit of civil society in the townships of Johannesburg targeting children (under six years old), youth and women.

This initiative takes place in a context where poverty and unemployment in South African townships, amplified by the health crisis, has reduced the capacity of local associations to help the most vulnerable populations, especially children and girls.

Based on the strength of its experience in financing micro-projects for civil society, the Government of the Principality of Monaco has entrusted the management of the call for proposals to the **Alliance Française of Johannesburg**. A total budget of €300,000 has been allocated by the Monegasque Cooperation to this new initiative. The involvement of new partners has increased the fund by €140,000, enabling additional projects to be supported.

LIFSA aims to identify and support targeted, small-scale, community-based initiatives for vulnerable children, youth and women in Johannesburg townships.

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible civil society organisations as well as public or private entities with **a social impact in the townships**, which are duly **registered in South Africa** are invited to submit projects, in at least one of the following fields:

- Education and vocational training
- Health
- Child protection
- Vocational training
- Entrepreneurship
- Food security
- Culture
- Sport
- Peace, social cohesion

Your organisation is strongly encouraged to send through an application for our call for proposals. We are looking for project ideas carried out by young adults **working with children under the age of six, youth or women**.

The project can address **gender gaps, inclusion of people with disabilities, environmental challenges, entrepreneurship and innovation**.

The project can be carried out **in partnership** with another association. However, you can only submit one project per organisation. Applicant organisations will receive a **site visit** before the approval of their project.

If you have already received previous LIFSA funding, please ensure that your project is complete before submitting a new application.

We look forward to receiving your proposal!

FUNDING

The initiatives selected by the selection committee will receive a subsidy **of maximum R160.000**. Once the project is approved, the funds will be disbursed in two instalments.

CALENDAR

Launch of the call for proposals	Monday 18 September 2023
Closing of the call for proposals	Sunday 22 October 2023 at 23:59
Informing applicants	Late November 2023
Contracting and launch of projects	January 2024

The duration of the project cannot exceed 12 months.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- The project must be in line with government and sectoral policies in South Africa
- The project must address relevant concerns faced by the most vulnerable groups (e.g., populations facing poverty, school drop-out, unemployment, disability, conflict situations, violence, etc.)
- The description of the project, its objectives, activities and budget must be outlined clearly.
- The project must ensure that local stakeholders are involved in the implementation of the activities.
- The project's activities cannot be linked to religious proselytizing or political propaganda.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

- The application form must be downloaded from the website <http://www.lifsa.org>
- It must be duly completed
- It should be sent before Sunday 22 October at 23:59 (Johannesburg time) by email to the following address: application@lifsa.org
- The application form must include the following elements:

For NGOs:

- Certificate of registration
- Memorandum of incorporation/articles of association
- Board of members
- The last narrative and financial reports
- Short biographies of the project's main people of contact (2 max)
- Bank details (with IBAN and SWIFT code details)

For other organizations (public or private entities):

- Articles of organization
- Certificate of registration
- Bank details

Larger files must be sent to the same email address via the WeTransfer platform: <https://wetransfer.com>. Proposals should be written in English. **Applicants who do not meet all the administrative requirements will not be eligible.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

If you have any questions, please contact us through the [contact form](#) on the website.

For further project information, follow us on LinkedIn [here](#).