

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Southern Africa Trust (SAT) was established to support civil society to engage effectively in regional level public policy processes aimed at reducing poverty and inequality in southern Africa. SAT is making an initial call for proposals for once-off grants to promote innovative regional-level work that supports these goals, in the following areas:

1. Policy dialogue at regional level: Ref – SAT/CFP1/2005

SAT will consider proposals to support stakeholder networking, dialogue, and engagement in policy processes, including the following broad theme areas:

- The regional economy: including e.g. trade, financial markets, FDI, and labour markets;
- Human security, democracy, peace and conflict in the region;
- Health, hunger, vulnerability and livelihoods: the regional dimensions.
- Other key issues relevant to the reduction of poverty and inequality in the region.

2. Research into regional approaches: Ref – SAT/CFP2/2005

SAT will consider proposals for policy-relevant research and analysis that sheds new light on the regional dimensions of poverty and inequality in southern Africa, and on where regional approaches may have the potential for added impact over and above what can be achieved through national-level policies. Proposals should fall within the same broad themes as above.

3. Promoting regional civil society organisation: Ref – SAT/CFP3/2005

SAT aims to support the growth and consolidation of a diverse range of interest-based, sectoral and/or issue-based forms of organisation at regional level, as part of strengthening the capacity of regional civil society to contribute to policy processes. SAT invites those organisations with a regional-level presence, a mandate relevant poverty reduction, and a policy-influencing agenda to submit concept notes in application for a contribution to project or programme funding. Priority will be given, at this stage, to organisations with existing track-records of relevant regional-level work.

Criteria and Guidelines

Criteria for type of projects, activities and costs that can be funded are specified in the specific guidelines for the call for proposals. Mandatory guidelines for the development of project concept notes are available on the following Internet sites:

<http://www.southernafricatrust.org>, <http://www.dfid.org.za>, <http://www.sangonet.org.za>, <http://www.sarpn.org>, <http://www.civicus.org>, where this call and other documents can also be accessed in Portuguese and French.

How to apply:

All applications should be sent to:

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The specific call reference number as contained in this advert must be written on the application as well as on the envelope containing your application. Please ensure that the contact details of the organization are written on the outside of the envelope containing your application.

The deadline for submission of the Project Concept proposals is 20 January 2006 at 16h00.

Applicants may solicit advice and make enquiries about SAT's call for proposals from the Southern Africa Trust call centre at +27 11 313 3539, E-mail address: projects@southernafricatrust.org

Applicants will be notified in writing of the decision of the Projects Committee of SAT.

The Southern Africa Trust does not charge any fees nor does it employ agents for handling proposals.

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