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Project to Support the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs Race, Ethnicity, and Social Inclusion (RESI) Goals

Questions and Answers March 13, 2024

Question: Is there going to be only one award or several awards for each country?

Response: There will be one award which will include activities in all five countries listed in the NOFO.

Question: What are Public International Organizations?

Response: A public international organization is an organization entitled to enjoy privileges, exemptions, and immunities as an international organization under the International Organizations Immunities Act (22 USC § 288 et. seq. (2017)).

Question: Would government entities abroad be able to apply?

Response: Government entities are not eligible to apply.

Question: It looks like this opportunity would be open to collaboration among entities from several countries. Can various entities apply in a single application?

Response: Applications must originate from one prime applicant, but applications may include partnerships and/or sub-grants with other eligible entities to carry out project activities. Partnerships with locally based NGOs are encouraged.

Question: Can a C Corp with operations through Latin America and with a social impact digital app be eligible?

Response: Only U.S. Non-profit/non-governmental organizations (NGOs) having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS or overseas based NGOs, institutions of higher education, and public international organizations (PIOs) are eligible to apply. For-profit companies are not eligible to apply.

Question: Question regarding an international organization's lack of 501(C)(3) status. What is the viability of fiscal sponsorship as an avenue for participation in this initiative?

Response: Non-U.S.-based organizations do not need 501(c)(3) status, this requirement only applies to U.S.-based organizations. Overseas based NGOs are eligible to apply as a prime grantee or as a sub-grantee in partnership with a prime grantee applicant.