Overview

ROOTS Zambia - Rights, oversight and transparency for Zambia's sustainable development

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Location: Zambia

Deadline: 8 December 2026

Open

Purpose and scope

ROOTS Zambia is a grant under the EU Thematic Programme for Civil Society Organisations (2021–2027), issued by the European Commission and aligned with the EU-Zambia Multi-Annual Indicative Programme (2021–2027). It funds actions in Zambia's Central, Copperbelt, Luapula, Lusaka and North-Western provinces.

Funding

The call has an overall indicative amount of EUR 6,830,000. Lot 1 grants range from EUR 1,600,000 to EUR 2,400,000 per proposal; Lot 2 grants are EUR 2,000,000 per proposal. For both lots, the requested contribution is 75% to 95% of the action's total eligible costs.

Who can apply

For Lot 1, lead applicants and co-applicants may be Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) or associations thereof; public authorities may also apply as co-applicants. For Lot 2, lead applicants and co-applicants may be Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) or associations thereof. Each proposal must address the objectives of its selected Lot and at least one of that Lot's priorities, and must be submitted under one Lot only.

Priorities

Lot 1 gives additional value to community ownership of monitoring and advocacy, and awareness of displacement, land rights and resettlement risks around infrastructure investments. Lot 2 gives additional value to gender-differentiated mining revenue distribution, inclusion of artisanal and small-scale mining communities, and intergenerational management of mineral wealth. Partners may

address more than one priority per Lot; this is recommended when priorities are coherently integrated with synergies and complementarities.

Sources

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Salient One analysis. Official call documents and amendments govern the funding conditions.