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“Mais que Desporto: Competências, Inclusão e Liderança Juvenil” Assistência técnica ao Ministério da Educação para a realização de Torneios Multidesportivos e Sessões de Djumbais para adolescentes e jovens em Bissau

Donor: UNICEF

Location: Guinea-Bissau

Deadline: 23 November 2026

Open | Last updated 2026-11-12

Call description

UNICEF seeks a civil society organisation to support the Ministry of Education in planning and implementing Sport for Development activities for adolescents and young people in Bissau, Guinea-Bissau, including inclusive multisport tournaments and dialogue sessions known as Djumbai. Priorities include education, youth participation, life skills, gender equality and inclusion. The French Development Agency is identified as supporting UNICEF’s related infrastructure work; the passages do not establish its funding contribution to this particular partnership.

The portal export states a start date of 7 December 2026 and an end date of 28 February 2027. The attached call describes these as estimated start and end months, December 2026 and February 2027. The supplied passages do not state a separate permitted duration range.

Priorities and eligibility

The stated prospective partner category is a civil society organisation. The supplied passages do not establish a registration requirement, permitted country of registration or a separate consortium lead route; these should not be assumed.

The call asks for demonstrated experience with public institutions, sports or Sport for Development, adolescents and young people, gender equality and disability inclusion, child safeguarding, youth participation, operational management, community mobilisation, monitoring and reporting. The application must describe relevant institutional experience and proposed staff qualifications.

What registration, partner screening and exclusion conditions apply to the civil society organisation, and when must they be satisfied? The supplied call identifies the partner category and experience criteria but does not establish those additional conditions.

The call states four assessment criteria: relevance of the proposal to expected results (30%), sector expertise and experience (25%), cost effectiveness (25%), and project management (20%). Relevance includes methodology, coherence, scheduling, coordination and risk mitigation; project management includes safe delivery, disaggregated data and reporting.

The expected results include six inclusive tournaments across the named sports, reaching at least 1,000 adolescents and young people, including at least 500 girls. The call also specifies at least 50% girls and measures to include young people with disabilities and other potentially marginalised groups.

Djumbai sessions should take place before and/or during competitions, using sport for dialogue and learning. At least four activities or tournaments must address gender equality and girls’ participation and leadership. The call also asks partners to assess changes in participants’ understanding using simple pre- and post-activity instruments or participatory mechanisms.

Funding and application requirements

The call’s portal export directs prospective applicants to the UN Partner Portal to apply. The supplied UNICEF template separately encourages use of the electronic concept note platform and says to export the completed note as a PDF for submission to UNICEF through the portal. The linked template encourages electronic preparation; it does not make that platform compulsory.

The call requires a technical and methodological proposal, a detailed workplan and schedule, proposed team composition and CVs, institutional experience, coordination, safeguarding, inclusion, monitoring and risk-management arrangements, and a detailed activity-consistent budget. It also asks for an implementation plan. These elements may be presented within an application; the supplied text does not establish that every plan must be a separate attachment.

The implementation plan must explain the methodology, implementation stages, participant mobilisation and selection, equitable participation of girls, disability inclusion, protection and safeguarding. It must define the responsibilities of the partner and ministry directorate and their coordination arrangements. Scheduling, facilities, mobilisation and monitoring are to be agreed jointly with the directorate.

Which concept note template and application language does UNICEF require for this specific call? The portal links to the supplied UNICEF template. That template permits Arabic, English, French, Russian or Spanish versions; this does not establish the language rules for the Bissau call or whether Portuguese is accepted. Confirm the linked template, accepted language and any translation requirements.

What total allocation, project funding ceiling and partner-contribution conditions apply? The portal export shows a dash for the indicative budget, while the application requires a detailed budget. No amount or contribution percentage can be established from the supplied passages. Confirm the available funding and any contribution conditions with UNICEF before finalising costs.

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The application deadline differs between the supplied call documents: the attached call states 16 November 2026, while the portal export states 23 November 2026. The evidence does not establish whether this is an extension or which date governs. Seek confirmation from UNICEF and, if feasible, prepare against the earlier date pending clarification.

Recommendations

A credible approach must connect access and leadership with safe delivery, rather than treating inclusion as a participation target alone. The call expects girls and young people with disabilities to have roles in leadership and organisation, alongside safe facilities and protection incident procedures. Explain accessible mobilisation and participation arrangements, leadership opportunities, first aid and incident referral responsibilities in the plan, including how they will be coordinated with the ministry.

Cost effectiveness is assessed against activities, participant numbers and expected results, while the call requires a detailed budget. The linked template asks for partner and UNICEF amounts by activity and for programme management costs to be allocated in proportion to their programme contribution. Cost inclusive access, safe event management, dialogue sessions and monitoring explicitly, and explain how costs relate to the proposed activities and results. No funding ceiling or mandatory contribution percentage can be inferred from the template.

The results framework should show both participation and learning, rather than counting events alone. The call requires participation and results data disaggregated by sex, age and disability, and assessment of changes in understanding. The linked UNICEF template’s output indicators also need baselines, targets and means of verification. Link each call output to feasible measures and data sources, including a way to assess learning.

Sources

unpartnerportal.org - Official call

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