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1	Grants	Inquiring what happened to our application which we submitted for the same call last Nov 2023? Are we still required to re-submit another application?	The re-opened RFA is open to all LDO's within the Amudat-Kacheliba corridor.
2	Grants	Request to avail us with the information below for development of the proposal. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annex 1 - Technical Application</li> <li>• Annex 2. Budget and Budget Narrative (Excel version) – per individual applicant.</li> <li>• Annex 3. Sample Activity Gantt/Work Plan (per individual applicant).</li> <li>• Annex 4. Applicant Self-Assessment Form.</li> <li>• Annex 5. CBCR Environmental Review Form.</li> <li>• Annex 6. Instructions for Obtaining UEI Number, SAM Registration.</li> <li>• Teaming MoU Sample.</li> </ul>	Please find link below and in the email body to the attachments - note annex 1 application template has annex 4,5,6,7 and RFA application checklist that can be filled within the document.  <a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OtavwSJCAf1py4MtNFYF7_5OnTknloC3?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OtavwSJCAf1py4MtNFYF7_5OnTknloC3?usp=sharing</a>

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3	Grants	Request to activate Unique Entity ID (UEI).	<p>UEI numbers do not expire once they are assigned to an entity. However, entity registrations in SAM.gov do expire annually and require annual renewal to remain in the active status.</p> <p>If you do not update or renew your registration, it will be in an inactive status, but your entity will still have its same UEI. You can view your UEI on your entity's registration record in SAM.gov.</p> <p><i>See below the process of renewing SAM registration:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Go to <a href="http://www.sam.gov">www.sam.gov</a> and login with your SAM username and password.</li> <li>2. Click "Register/Update Entity" and then "Complete Registrations" (if you started your update earlier, click on "Incomplete Registrations").</li> <li>3. Click the company you want to restore or upgrade within the panel entitled "Entity List".</li> <li>4. Within the "Registration Details" panel that occupies, click on "Update Entity".</li> <li>5. Click Submit!</li> </ol> <p><i>There is no cost to use SAM.gov. You can use the SAM.gov website for free to register, renew, check status of an entity registration, and search for entity registration and exclusion records.</i></p>
4	Grants	We don't have the SAM yet and we want to submit after the deadline, is it possible?	<p>It is acceptable to submit a grant application without an active UEI number. However, if your application is successful, a UEI number will be required prior to grant award. See Annex 6 for instructions for obtaining UEI number and SAM registration.</p>

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5	Grants	What happens when several CBOs from Amudat have expressed interest to partner with only one organization in Kenya and in this case SIKOM Peace Development Initiative as the only potential NGO available for partnership?	This is a negotiation process between the LDO's in Uganda side and Kenya side. As such, it is at the liberty of the LDO's on who they choose to team up with. As per the RFA, note CBCR envisions awarding two grants in the corridor to a consortium of two LDOs, one targeting each country within cross-border corridor of Amudat-Kacheliba ( <i>for example, for solutions proposed for the Amudat-Kacheliba corridor, one grant would be issued for a Uganda based LDO and one for a Kenya based LDO</i> ). As such, we do not expect multiple partnerships along the corridor.
6	Technical	What's the critical focus of the Activity: Between Climate Change and Conflict Resolution all of which are hazards affecting the cross-border communities of this corridor?	CBCR is designed to enhance resilience and thus reduce the need for humanitarian assistance among cross border communities. It seeks to achieve this collaboratively through empowering local actors to strengthen social cohesion, expand livelihoods and employment opportunities; and improve sharing of natural resources. <b><i>Refer to the background information under section 1a, b, &amp;c in the RFA.</i></b>
7	Grants	Do we need to have a team from Kenya side to finalise the RFA?	Yes, the RFA requires teaming of separate LDOs from both sides of the national borders. - Applicants are expected to collaborate with their partner LDO in the corridor to prepare a single technical approach that covers the corridor, i.e. Teaming partners are expected to review listed activities in Table 1 above in the corridor and determine those that are specific to either side of the national border and those that will need to be co-implemented with the teaming partner.
8	Grants	Is it our task as the LDO on the Kenyan side to nominate the LDO on the Kapoeta, South Sudan side or that's the role of ACDI/VOCA? If the technical approach and proposal is developed or co-created by a consortium of two organizations, how do you identify your partner early enough before 11th to start developing the technical proposal?	It is the role of the applicant to identify an LDO within the specified corridor on the other side of the country to co-apply. Applicants are expected to collaborate with their partner LDO in the given corridor to prepare a single technical approach that covers the given corridor, referencing how they will collaborate in implementation. Each applicant will then submit the same technical approach in their individual applications. The RFA is issued under the CBCR program and not ACDI/VOCA.  <b><i>Please see additional application instructions under Section IV, Instruction to applicants on the Technical Approach.</i></b>

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9	Grants	Do applicants have to submit a joint budget and technical proposal to CBCR under this RFA?	As stipulated in the RFA under section IV (Application and Submission Information), applicants are expected to collaborate with their partner LDO in the given corridor to prepare a single technical approach that covers the given corridor, referencing how they will collaborate in implementation. <b><i>Each applicant will then submit the same technical approach in their individual applications with separate budget for each LDO.</i></b>
10	Grants	What is the duration /lifespan of the Activity/Project?	The duration of any grant award under this solicitation is expected to be no more than 12 months with an anticipated start date of March 2024.
11	Technical	Are the project activities predetermined or the LDOs must originate them in the light of grassroots obtaining situations in the corridor?	Project activities were predetermined through community resilience co-creation and prioritization process (See Table 1 in the RFA). However, these are high level activities and applicants are expected to develop the <i>steps</i> (sub-activities) to achieve the high-level activity, which also informs their budgeting.
12	Technical	In reference to item 3 table 1 RFA No. CBCR-RFA-005-2023, If the organization is selected are they supposed to implement the three co- created priorities?  If you were to implement one co-created priority, do you implement all the three activities and so on?	Note CBCR's plan is to implement <b>ALL</b> the coded priorities per corridor through a combination of teaming parties. E.g. For the Amudat-Kacheliba corridor, a consortium should implement AMKA 1-10 that covers the three sub-purposes.  CBCR being a cross-border resilience activity. Teaming partners are expected to review listed activities in each corridor and determine those that are specific to either side of the national border and those that will need to be co-implemented with the teaming partner. E.g., NRM or Peace Committees will need cross-border membership as opposed to working in certain market.  Therefore, the teaming partners will need to jointly plan and implement/execute all the identified priorities that are cross-border in nature jointly in addition to what is identified for a specific partner based on its country.

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13	Grants	<p>Can an LDO operate in more than one corridor/conflict zone?</p> <p>What happens if one organization partners with more than two in developing the technical proposal?</p>	<p>Each applicant should identify one organization to partner with and focus on Amudat-Kacheliba corridor in Karamoja cluster. <b>**For clarity, CBCR perceives the corridors as transhumance routes and not conflict zones. **</b></p>
14	Grants	<p>Are you awarding this as a grant or as a consultancy?</p>	<p>CBCR envisions awarding two grants per corridor to LDOs - see section I &amp; II in the RFA for further details.</p>
15	Technical	<p>Within the above RFA on page 3, there is a corridor named Karamoja, Moyale and Mandera; We are interested in this corridor of Karamoja, Moyale, and Mandera. How should my application be addressed in relation to the corridor?</p>	<p>This RFA is specifically targets Amudat-Kacheliba corridor in Karamoja cluster only. IGAD (Intergovernmental Authority on Development)-defined corridors in the Karamoja cluster that transcend the cross-border areas of Uganda and Kenya</p>
16	Grants	<p>Give guidance on what requirements needed following the call for application as per the subject above.</p>	<p>Refer to section 3 and 4A of the RFA that clearly provides guidance and eligibility requirements.</p>