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1	Grants	We have seen the application template in PDF format, are we expected to change to writable format (MSW) to comfortably edit?	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/1EmlIOEKn78NFjkE8Z73Grs5urj7V">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1EmlIOEKn78NFjkE8Z73Grs5urj7V</a> ytvX?usp=sharing		
2	Grants	Teaming Memorandum of Understanding - is it between the partners from the same corridor of two countries, e.g. One partner from Kenya and one partner from Ethiopia?	Under this RFA, CBCR envisions awarding two grants per corridor to a consortium of two LDOs, one targeting each country within the respective cross-border corridor (for example, for solutions proposed for the Sololo-Mio corridor, one grant would be issued for Kenyan based LDO and one for Ethiopian based LDO).		
3	Grants	Budgets on both sides are the same or depending on the activity costing.	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.  Each applicant will then submit the same technical approach in their individual applications with separate budget for each LDO based on the activities in specific area of coverage within the corridor.		
4	Grants	How can consortium partners do a joint proposal but submit different applications? Is it not better for each organization to apply/work separately but CBCR to later support in harmonization of work plans for joint/cross border implementation?  Are partner activities similar on both sides of the border?	CBCR's plan is to implement ALL the coded priorities per corridor through a combination of teaming parties (see table 1 in RFA). E.g. For the Dukana-Dillo corridor, a consortium should implement DUDI 1-10 that covers the three sub-purposes.  Therefore, the teaming partners will need to jointly develop technical proposal for all the identified priorities. Each applicant will then submit the same technical approach in their individual applications with separate budget for each LDO based on the activities in specific area of coverage within the corridor.		



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5	Grants	If as organization you are registered in Kenya and in Ethiopia, is it a must that you must have a partner.  If applying organizations are registered on both sides, can they apply as one?	CBCR envisions awarding two grants per corridor to a consortium of two LDOs, one targeting each country within the respective cross-border corridor (for example, for solutions proposed for the Sololo-Mio corridor, one grant would be issued for Kenyan based LDO and one for Ethiopian based LDO).  With this, if one LDO is registered in both countries along the corridor, the LDO is required to identify the country that it has strong footing and partner with a different LDO based on the other side of the corridor.  E.g., LDO A is registered in both Kenya and Ethiopia, LDO A has built a better working environment with all stakeholders in Kenya, then LDO A needs to focus on Kenya side of the corridor while partnering with a different LDO B in Ethiopia.		
6	Grants	Moyale-Moyale has a huge population compared to the other 3 corridors. Why is CBCR allocating the same amount of resources to Moyale-Moyale and yet there is big population difference with other corridors.	CBCR anticipates awarding <b>up to USD 125,000</b> (in local currency equivalent) to each partner and <b>not exceeding USD 250,000</b> for each corridor.		
7	Grants	Why is the call limiting organizations to only one corridor and yet there are partners with experience across all the corridors? And may consider applying for more than one corridor?  Is there a limit for application like if an LDO may be interested to apply for all the four corridors based on its wide experience?	Each applicant should identify one organization to partner with and targeting only one of the four IGAD (Intergovernmental Authority on Development)-defined corridors in the Moyale cluster that transcend the cross-border areas of Ethiopia and Kenya, as identified below:  1. Dukana-Dillo (Kenya, Ethiopia)  2. Forolle-Dirre (Kenya, Ethiopia)  3. Sololo-Mio (Kenya, Ethiopia)  4. Moyale-Moyale (Ethiopia, Kenya)  **For clarity, CBCR perceives the corridors as transhumance routes and not conflict zones.		



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8	Technical	Are priorities listed for each corridor exclusive?	Yes, Corridor specific priorities were exclusively captured, and these priorities are proceeds of corridor level co-creation meeting held by CBCR Activity in all the four corridors (see table 1 in the RFA).		
9	Grants	Request to activate Unique Entity ID (UEI).	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.  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.  See below the process of renewing SAM registration:  1. Go to www.sam.gov and login with your SAM username and password. 2. Click "Register/Update Entity" and then "Complete Registrations" (if you started your update earlier, click on "Incomplete Registrations"). 3. Click the company you want to restore or upgrade within the panel entitled "Entity List". 4. Within the "Registration Details" panel that occupies, click on "Update Entity". 5. Click Submit!  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		
11	Grants	We don't have the SAM yet and we want to submit after the deadline, is it possible?	entity registration and exclusion records.  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.		



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12	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 18 months with an anticipated start date of April 2024.		
13	Grants	Are you awarding this as a grant or as a consultancy?	CBCR envisions awarding two grants per corridor to LDOs - see section I & II in the RFA for further details.		