

# CI Women in Healthy Sustainable Societies - Application Guidance

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**THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS IS NOW CLOSED!**

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## APPLICATION

Applicants must submit a Letter of Inquiry (LOI) in English (download [HERE](#)). LOIs must be submitted electronically to BirdLife International at [CEPF-EAM-SGP@birdlife.org](mailto:CEPF-EAM-SGP@birdlife.org) **before the deadline of 28 February 2014**. BirdLife International will not accept hardcopy LOIs. You will receive an email acknowledgement acknowledging receipt of your application.

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## NOTE

Please refer to the **CEPF Eastern Afrotropical Hotspot Ecosystem Profile** for further information about the Hotspot [HERE](#) (PDF download, 4 MB). Also please read and refer to the **CI Environment and Gender documents** listed on the [Resources](#) page. In case you have any problems accessing documents, and/or if you have questions about the application process, please [CONTACT US!](#)

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## ELIGIBILITY

- Non-governmental organisations, community groups, private enterprises, universities and other civil society applicants may apply for funding.
- Applications from organizations that propose to build capacity of local civil society and community groups are particularly encouraged.
- Projects must be located within the sites and countries identified above and in the Ecosystem Profile.
- Organizations must have their own bank account and be authorized under relevant national laws to receive charitable contributions.

Government-owned enterprises or institutions are eligible only if they can demonstrate that the enterprise or institution:

- has a legal personality independent of any government agency or actor;
- has the authority to apply for and receive private funds; and
- may not assert a claim of sovereign immunity

Grants cannot be used for:

- the purchase of land, involuntary resettlement of people including displacement of land uses or impeding access to traditional uses of natural resources, or activities that negatively affect physical cultural resources, including those important to local communities;
- activities adversely affecting Indigenous Peoples or where these communities have not provided their broad support to the project activities; or
- the removal or alteration of any physical cultural property (including sites having archaeological, paleontological, historical, religious, or unique natural values).

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## **BUDGET AND TIMELINE**

A limited number of small grants (for **up to a maximum of USD 10,000**) will be available for projects to be implemented **between 15 May 2014 and 15 February 2015**.

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## **THEMATIC FOCUS**

Priority will go to environmentally-focused organizations that have identified a need for focusing efforts on better integrating gender or focusing on empowering women within their ongoing environmental work. Successful proposals will:

- **Link women's empowerment or gender equality with aspects of the environment**

- (e.g. protected areas, environmentally-friendly livelihoods, sustainable food production, environmental policy, freshwater, climate change, etc.).
- **Enhance *existing* environmental programs** or interventions (instead of a new activity) to ensure sustainability and long term impact
- Address at least one of the **priority areas of focus** :
  - **Community-based capacity building, education and awareness** that supports women’s involvement and benefit-sharing in environmentally-related activities – including community decision making and project implementation
  - **Influencing policy-level decision making** around gender equality and women’s empowerment in the environment
  - **Information sharing and networking** between practitioners and organizations working on gender equality and women’s empowerment to share knowledge, collaborate and strengthen a collective voice on these issues
  - **Research** to demonstrate benefits of incorporating women into environmental decision making and inform best practices (including tools, guidelines, etc.)

## GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS

*For projects with a national-level scope:*

- Projects will have to be located in **Kenya, Tanzania or Uganda**

*For community-based or site-based projects:*

- community / site-based projects will need to be **located in or near a Key Biodiversity Area** within the Eastern Afromontane Hotspot in **Kenya, Tanzania or Uganda**:

	<b>Kenya</b>	<b>Uganda</b>	<b>Tanzania</b>
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<b>Terrestrial Key Biodiversity Areas</b>	Aberdare Mountains	Budingo Forest Reserve	Arusha Na
	Cherangani Hills	Bugoma Central Forest Reserve	Bulongwa
	Chyulu Hills	Bugungu Wildlife Reserve	Chala Hills
	Kianyaga Valleys	Bwindi Impenetrable National Park	East Usan
	Kikuyu Escarpment Forest	Echuya Forest Reserve	Eluanata D
	Kinangop Grasslands	Itwara	Gombe
	Laikipia National Reserve	Kagombe Forest Reserve	Greater M
	Lake Bogoria National Reserve	Kalinzu Forest Reserve	Iringa
	Lake Ol' Bolossat	Karuma	Kiboriani M
	Marsabit	Kasyoha-Kitomi Forest Reserve	Kitulo Plat
	Masai Mara	Kibale National Park	Livingston
	Mathews Range	Kidepo Valley National Park	Lyango Hi
	Mau Forest Complex	Kyambura Wildlife Reserve	Mahenge
	Mau Narok – Molo Grasslands	Mafuga Forest Reserve	Mbeya Ra
	Mount Elgon, Kenya	Matiri Forest Reserve	Mount Ha
	Mount Kenya	Mgahinga Gorilla National Park	Mount Kili
	Mount Kulal Forest	Mount Elgon, Uganda	Mount Ru
	Mount Nyiru	Mount Kadam	Mount Ufi
	Mukurweini Valleys	Mount Moroto Forest Reserve	Ngorongo
	Ol Jogi Rhinoceros S Private Reserve	Murchison Falls National Park	Nguru Mo
	South Nandi Forest	Nyamuriro Swamp	Njombe F
		Queen Elizabeth National Park and Lake George	North Pare

<p><b>Freshwater Key Biodiversity Areas</b></p> <p><i>*=ex-Eastern Arc / Coastal Forests hotspot, now included in Eastern Afromontane hotspot; these sites ARE eligible for CI funding under this ("Women in Healthy Sustainable Societies") opportunity, but NOT for CEPF funding under the Eastern Afromontane Hotspot investment</i></p> <p>For more information about Key Biodiversity Areas and maps of the Eastern Afromontane KBAs, please visit</p> <p><a href="http://www.birdlife.org/africa/project/cepf-eastern-afromontane-hotspot">www.birdlife.org/africa/project/cepf-eastern-afromontane-hotspot</a> (check the 'Resources' page) or</p> <p><a href="http://www.cepf.net/where_we_work/regions/africa/eastern_afromontane">www.cepf.net/where_we_work/regions/africa/eastern_afromontane</a></p>	<p>Lake Chala and Lake Jipe Catchments, Kenya</p> <p>Mount Elgon Catchment, Kenya</p>	<p>Lake Albert, Uganda</p> <p>Lake Edward, Uganda</p> <p>Mount Elgon Catchment, Uganda</p> <p>Queen Elizabeth National Park and Lake George Catchment, Uganda</p> <p>Semliki National Park Catchment</p> <p>Virungu National Park and Rutsuru, Uganda</p>	<p>Kalambo R</p> <p>Kimani Riv</p> <p>Kipengere</p> <p>Lake Chal</p> <p>Lake Tang</p> <p>Lufirio</p> <p>Luiche Riv</p> <p>Malagaras</p>
<p><b>ADVISORY SERVICE</b></p> <p>All applicants are encouraged to discuss proposal ideas with the team at BirdLife International at <a href="mailto:CEPF-EAM-RIT@birdlife.org">CEPF-EAM-RIT@birdlife.org</a>. Those wishing to seek guidance from BirdLife International should do so at least one week in advance of the deadline - i.e. <b>before 21 February 2014</b>.</p>			<p>Rufugu Ri</p> <p>Ruhuhu</p> <p>Udzungwa</p> <p>Uluguru M</p>

## DECISION-MAKING PROCESS

Decisions on are based on reviews by Conservation International, BirdLife International, and external technical reviewers.

If your LOI is successful, BirdLife International will be in touch with you to complete the necessary processes to award you a small grant.

## CONTACT

Please direct any questions or concerns to: [CEPF-EAM-RIT@birdlife.org](mailto:CEPF-EAM-RIT@birdlife.org) or visit the [CONTACT US](#) page for further information.

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