

# Call for international, interdisciplinary projects towards reducing health risks in wildlife trade and consumption

The 'International Alliance against Health Risks in Wildlife Trade' brings together actors globally from international and national organizations, non-governmental and non-profit organizations, civil society stakeholders as well as scientific institutions and research centres from the entire One Health spectrum.

The members of Alliance are committed to unite resources to achieve the following goals:

- Substantially reducing the risks of zoonotic spillover and stepping up responses (including behavioral changes) to human and animal health risks caused by direct and indirect contact with wildlife and their products along the wildlife trade chain."
- Enhancing international and national awareness, knowledge, and policies with regards to goal 1, thus narrowing the gap between science and implementation

If you would like to significantly contribute to achieving these goals within the "International Alliance against Health Risks in Wildlife Trade" we invite you to propose a project and apply for funding, utilising your expertise, understanding of the underlying challenges, state-of-the art knowledge of existing evidence and ideas for moving forward.

To apply for funding, please fill in the attached form after reviewing the following important details on

- A.) Applicants
- B.) Proposals
- C.) Process.

## A) Applicants must:

- identify as members of the *International Alliance against Health Risks in Wildlife Trade* by registering with a profile on our <u>website</u>'s members' areas and thus explicitly committing to the Alliances' Charter, Operational Manual and the above-mentioned goals
- exhibit documented expertise and/ or experience relevant to the topics central to the *"International Alliance against Health Risks in Wildlife Trade"*
- qualify as non-profit organisation and according to the GIZ "commercial and legal eligibility check" (which examines whether the potential recipient is commercially, administratively and legally qualified to assume responsibility for implementing the project)

## B) Funded project proposals will

- contribute to at least one of the above-mentioned goals of the Alliance
- focus on and deliver concrete insights on how to decrease the risk of emerging zoonotic pathogens ("disease X") from all wildlife (live/dead, traded sustainably/unsustainably, legal/illegal, captive bred/wild caught), including understanding its drivers (pathogen discovery and evaluation, spillover risks and mechanisms, social-ecology of zoonotic disease emergence from wildlife)
- offer monitoring evidence on the outcomes and impacts of the project
- agree to make available information on outputs and results to the *Alliance* members on its website's members-only area (or other appropriate fora)

In terms of specifics, in this second call for proposals, we are inviting proposals on two distinct TOPICs and in two different FORMATs; in your application, please indicate clearly which your proposal is addressed towards:



# TOPIC A

**Using social innovation<sup>1</sup>** to move towards the Alliance's goals. This will involve piloting new approaches and thinking out of the box based on well-founded hypotheses, while tolerating higher risks of failure to achieve intended results and impacts.

# TOPIC B

**Translating scientific evidence into policy** and regulation towards the Alliance's goals. This will include interdisciplinary work, putting policy and regulatory considerations centre stage, while understanding how best to factor in aspects of behaviour and incentives when translating science into policy.

# FORMAT A

Your proposed project works as **stand-alone**, to be realised by a consortium already assembled. It

- will justify the use of funds, up to 200.000 EURO.
- is designed to start implementation on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 and will not exceed the duration of 18 months (until maximum March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024).
- will be implemented by a consortium of more than one member-organisation, integrating different disciplines from within the One Health-spectrum *and* encompassing local knowledge and experience from wildlife source countries.

# FORMAT B

Your proposal covers only **part of a larger envisioned project**; it includes an outline to what additional complementary expertise/ competence/ infrastructure/ equipment you are seeking to include in the overall proposal. The proposed project *if it is realised* 

- will, in total, i.e., including additional complementary capacities, justify use of funds up to **200.000 EURO**.
- is planned to **start implementation on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**; not to exceed the duration of **15 months** (until maximum March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024).
- In the time until January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, the Alliance Secretariat will **facilitate identifying and meeting** collaborators according to your requirements.

# C) The application and funding process will move along a tight timeline

- Project *outlines* will have to be submitted by **May 16**<sup>th,</sup> end of day CEST.
- By **May 31**<sup>st</sup>, a limited number of outlines will be selected to move forward, requesting further elaboration of final *full proposals*.

Format A:

- Full project proposals are expected by June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- While being reviewed by GIZ, project proposals will be made available on the *Alliance* website **for members to comment** following specific guidelines<sup>2</sup>, until July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- From **October 1<sup>st</sup>**, realistic start date for implementing selected projects. Proposals must be submitted in English. There is no statutory entitlement to funding from this programme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Social innovation is the process of developing and deploying effective solutions to challenging and often systemic social and environmental issues in support of social progress. Social innovation is not the prerogative or privilege of any organizational form or legal structure. Solutions often require the active collaboration of constituents across government, business, and the nonprofit world."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Guidelines for commenting on project proposals will inspire e.g. to refine project design or offer additional insights. Comments will focus on the actual project and refrain from "ideological" remarks.



Format B:

- Full project proposals will be elaborated after identifying and coordinating with new collaborating members, no later than August 30<sup>th</sup>.
- While being reviewed by GIZ, project proposals will be made available on the *Alliance* website **for members to comment** following specific guidelines.
- From January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, realistic start date for implementing selected projects. Proposals must be submitted in English. There is no statutory entitlement to funding from this programme.

The GIZ retains the right to ensure that the selection reflects a good overall coverage of relevant topics and perspectives.

Any questions you may have, please contact us at <u>Alliance-Health-Wildlife@giz.de</u>



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Application Form, part 1: Content and Methodology (max 2 pages)

# *Title (of the proposed project)*

#### 1. Current situation

#### A short paragraph.

Please describe briefly the relevant situation: the current state of scientific evidence and understanding, description of local contexts, local and traditional knowledge, policy and institutional environment, and the associated challenges faced by governments and institutions, e.g. with regard to training, capacity building, (cross-sectoral) cooperation and coordination processes among governments or government institutions, policies, law enforcement, protected area management, technical and organizational innovations, public awareness, political lobbying, etc.

#### 2. Objective

#### A short paragraph.

Please formulate a clear and concise objective of the proposed project: What is the goal of the project and its activities? What will the activities achieve in terms of outcomes, results and changes (e.g., newly gathered evidence, behavioural changes, policy formulation, capacities of institutions or individuals, equipment / resources, communication, etc.)?

The objective might take into consideration for example: assessment of priority pathogens, identification of risky practices and critical control points, studies on wildlife consumer behaviour, understanding of hazards and raising awareness, improving the handling of wildlife/ products, strengthening relevant systems and institutions' capacities, promoting innovative approaches, identification of synergies with animal health and/or conservation goals.

#### 3. Methodological approach / measures

#### A short paragraph and / or bullet points.

Please describe the "How?": What hypothesis (theory of change) underlies the proposed project? Which instruments, tools, and / or formats will be used for planning, implementing and monitoring the project, giving specific attention to local capacities where available (e.g. trainings, dialogues, analysis/studies, procurement, cooperation, inter-institutional coordination, etc.)? Why did you select these methods or instruments and what is their comparative advantage and / or innovative character? How will human, especially indigenous, rights and gender aspects be taken into consideration? How is the sustainability of the project's outcome secured? If relevant: What added value do you see in the project for existing research and evidence on health risks arising from contact with wildlife and potentially for other fields, e.g., synergies with wildlife conservation objectives?

#### 4. Relevance to the "International Alliance against Health Risks in Wildlife Trade"

#### A short paragraph.

Which contribution will the project results make towards achieving the goals of the Alliance? Which added value will the project bring to the Alliance's development (e.g. in terms of methodology, deliverables or infrastructure) and for knowledge transfer and the facilitation of international dialogue and cooperation of experts within the 'Alliance' (how will the project results be made accessible to target groups and to the members of the Alliance? readiness to report on major milestones)?

## 5. Implementing organisation / agency

A short paragraph.

Who is or are the organisation(s) / institution(s) which will implement the project (brief description, experience, legal status, if available link to website). If it is a consortium, please identify who is the lead agency or organisation.



## 6. Cooperation and contributions of other partners (if applicable)

## A short paragraph and / or bullet points.

Which other institution(s), organization(s), government entity/-ies, donors, NGOs, etc. are involved or could be potential partners for the implementation of individual activities? What are or could be their (potential) contributions? Which opportunities exist to disseminate the results outside the Alliance (especially within regard to its use for knowledge exchange and transfer)?

## 7. Impact logic / theory of change

What we will do	What outputs we	With whom/	When	What will	Comments
(concrete packages	will generate	where	(timeline)	happen as a	
of activities as	(products)	(direct users)		<b>result</b> (impact)	
detailed in the					
methodology section)					

The impact logic should describe clearly how the project will achieve the desired objective, including concrete outputs. These (outputs) can include, among others and not limited to: studies / analysis, training formats, agreements, reports, design and description of networks, campaign formats, etc. The direct use should describe how the products will be used or applied by the target group and / or organizations, and what impact is expected.



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Application Form, part 2: Finances / Eligibility (max 2 pages)

#### 8. Requirements for funding and resources

Max. one page financial break-down; costs in EUR, planned duration.

Please give a brief description of the required financial, technical and personnel resources (working days per person/ Euro-equivalent, external service providers, procurement of equipment, travel costs), broken down according to work packages and to different participating institutions, if appropriate. Give information about the project's planned duration and, if known, relevant milestones regarding resource requirements.

#### 9. Questions concerning commercial and legal eligibility

Max. one page institutional background information

#### Please give a brief description each of:

*a)* Public benefit status: Please indicate whether one of the following applies:

- Does your organization pursue public-benefit purposes according to its articles of association or within the scope of its usual activities?
- Or is your organization an exclusive state institution (e.g. states, governments, ministries) or multilateral organization.
- Is your organization a German non-profit organisation or a non-profit organization with limited tax liability based in the EU/EEA?

b) Bookkeeping:

- Does your organization use an appropriate bookkeeping system, which is used by qualified staff? Do you use a time recording system?

c) Control bodies

Do you have internal control bodies (with regard to the following principles: transparency, cross-check principle, separation of functions, minimum information). Or do you make use of external audit bodies and audit reports, including those of other donors.

*d*) Handling of previous financing arrangements

- Please state previous financing arrangements (contract numbers) with GIZ, if applicable. If this is not the case, can you state previous financing arrangements with other donors and experience made regarding financial handling.