



## UN Pooled Funds Review

United for Global Mental Health was requested by the mental health donor group and also members of the BluePrint Group to collate a review of UN-hosted pooled funds in order to identify potential sources of funding for mental health related activities. The following Funds are reviewed in this document in order of greatest relevance to advance financial support to mental health and mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS). **There is a summary table and an annex providing a fuller set of information including the links to the relevant funds.**

The review provides a summary of each Fund’s purpose (particularly as it relates to mental health); and eligibility (i.e. who can apply and receive funds). **It includes global and regional funds that are hosted by various UN Agencies, country-level multi donor trust funds administered by the UNDP Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, and country-based pooled funds designed to support activities in line with humanitarian response plans (HRPs); and humanitarian needs.** Where it is not clear, there is a note on the key areas for funding that could apply to mental health or MHPSS. For each Fund the eligibility criteria area provided.

This document is a non-exhaustive list that will be regularly updated. UnitedGMH welcomes feedback and inputs to this document.

### Summary of Funds Reviewed

Fund	Purpose	Eligibility
UN Partnership to Promote the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Multi-Donor Trust Fund	For programmes that bring together UN Agencies to implement the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CPRD).	UN Country Teams (UNCT) apply; participating UN organisations disburse to CSOs and government institutions.
Education Cannot Wait (ECW)	Aims to transform the delivery of education in emergencies. This can include MHPSS in education.	Varying eligibility dependent on funding window. See below for further information.
Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)	Funds are distributed to provide a more predictable and timely humanitarian response. Funds have been channelled to psychosocial support projects in various countries.	UN Agencies (excluding OCHA) and IOM. NGOs can not have direct access to funds but can be implementing partners.
Women’s Peace & Humanitarian Fund	Mobilizes funding for local women’s organisations working on the frontlines of conflict and crises. This could include psychosocial support to women.	NGOs can access the Fund through a UN Management Entity.

<sup>1</sup> HRPs are usually updated annually; see each fund for more information.

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The Fund to End Violence Against Children	Two thematic areas: 1) <i>Online</i> - Addressing violence online, with a particular focus on child sexual exploitation and abuse; and 2) <i>Children in Crises</i> - Addressing violence against children affected by conflicts and crises.	NGOs may apply dependent on open call; various countries eligible, dependent on the call for proposals.
UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women	Aims to improve access to services, such as legal assistance, psychosocial counselling and health care, by increasing the capacity of service providers to respond effectively to the needs of women and girls affected by violence. Various countries eligible dependent on the call for proposals.	NGOs direct apply. However eligibility dependent on the call for proposals.
The United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture	Awards grants to civil society projects that provide medical, psychological, social and legal assistance to victims of torture.	Any non-government entity with at least 2 years experience in redress and rehabilitation may apply.
United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF)	Supports projects that strengthen the voice of civil society, promote human rights, and encourage the participation of all groups in democratic processes. This could include those with lived experience in democratic process.	NGOs direct apply. All countries as well as regional and global initiatives will be considered.
Peacebuilding Fund (PBF)	Addresses immediate needs in countries emerging from conflict support interventions of direct and immediate relevance to the peacebuilding process.	Funds are disbursed to UN Organizations. NGOs may partner with the UN to receive funds.
Working for Health Multi-Partner Trust Fund	To harness resources to increase the global health workforce (this could include those working in mental health); created to fund the Working for Health Programme that is run by ILO, OECD and WHO.	For NGOs and CSOs to receive funds, the funds would have to be channelled via ILO, OECD and/or WHO.
Spotlight Initiative Fund	The Spotlight Initiative is aimed at eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls.	NGOs direct apply dependent on call for proposals.
Joint SDG Fund	Accelerating SDG progress and supports initiatives that create networks and coalitions between governments and private/public capital.	UNCT apply; can fund any country or thematic area, as well as regional global initiatives.
The United Nations Peace & Development	The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Sub-Fund is relevant for mental health projects. This finances	UN Secretariat entities submit project proposals.

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Trust Fund (UNPDF)	activities related to the implementation of the SDGs.	
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***The following are Country-Level Funds:***

The Afghanistan Humanitarian Fund (AHF)	To humanitarian projects responding to needs identified in the current Afghanistan Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP)	UN agencies that sign a MoU can receive funds. NGOs and CSOs can then receive funding through a UN agency.
Central African Republic Humanitarian Fund (CAR HF)	For humanitarian projects that are included in the current CAR HRP.	**
Democratic Republic of the Congo Humanitarian Fund (DRC HF)	For humanitarian projects that are included in the current DRC HRP.	**
Somalia Humanitarian Fund (SHF)	Funds for projects included in the current Somalia HRP.	**
South Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SSHf)	For funding the current South Sudan HRP.	**
South Sudan Recovery Fund (SSRF)	To channel funds to support the Government of South Sudan's recovery priorities and to bridge the gap between humanitarian and development assistance.	**
Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SHF)	To fund activities in line with the current HRP.	**
The Liberia Multi-Partner Trust Fund (LMPTF)	To support and accelerate the implementation of the Pro-Poor Agenda for Prosperity and Development (PAPD) and to support efforts to implement the SDGs.	Implementing Partners (Government institutions and NGOs) can receive funding through UN Organizations. Pre-qualified governmental institutions can have direct access to funds.
Somalia Multi Window Trust Fund	Channels funds for programmatic activities identified under each Peacebuilding and Statebuilding Goals	Available to national and sub-national institutions and international NGOs through

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	(PSGs) of the Somali Compact (PSG pillars). Has support psychosocial support programs.	UN Agencies.
SDGs Acceleration Fund for Albania	Created to advance the 2030 Agenda in Albania.	UN agencies that have signed a MOU are eligible. NGOs then receive funds through participating UN Agency.
Indonesia Disaster Recovery TF	To fund implementation of the Government of Indonesia's Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Action Plans (RENAKSI) that are formulated following disasters that require International support.	UN agencies that have signed an MOU with UNDP.
Lebanon Recover Fund	Created to support the 2030 SDG agenda implementation in Lebanon; however, only 2 projects currently being funded. Keep checking to see developments.	Only UN Agencies that have signed an MOU can be eligible.
Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF)	Funds: activities set out in the current Yemen HRP.	**
Syria Cross Border Humanitarian Fund (SCHF)	To fund activities in line with the current Syrian HRP.	**
Ethiopia Humanitarian Fund (EHF)	To fund activities prioritized in the current Ethiopia HRP.	**
Syria Humanitarian Fund	To fund the current Syrian HRP; Supporting protection needs is a key objective; therefore potential funding for MHPSS to vulnerable groups	**
Nigeria Humanitarian Fund	To fund activities highlighted in the current Nigeria HRP.	**
Iraq Humanitarian Fund	To support activities in line with the current Iraq HRP.	**
occupied Palestinian territory Humanitarian Fund (oPt HF)	To support activities in line with the current oPt HRP.	**

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Myanmar Humanitarian Fund	Funds activities in close line with the current Myanmar HRP.	**
Lebanon Humanitarian Fund	To fund activities in in line with the Lebanon Crisis Response Plan (LCRP).	**
Ukraine Humanitarian Fund	To fund activities in line with the current Ukraine HRP.	**
Pakistan Humanitarian Fund	To fund activities in line with the current Pakistan HRP.	**
Jordan Humanitarian Fund	To fund activities set out in the Jordan Response Plan (JRP), and also the current Syria HRP.	**
UN Sustainable Development Framework Fund for Pakistan (2018-2022)	To support investment in SDG acceleration in-country and for programmes that support the humanitarian-development nexus. Focuses on joint-initiatives.	UN agencies that have signed a MOU are eligible. NGOs then receive funds through participating UN Agency.

\*\* Unless otherwise noted, Country Funds have similar eligibility criteria: Local NGOs, INGOs, Red Cross Red Crescent Movements, and UN Agencies eligible. NGOs need to undergo a capacity assessment.

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### Annex: Details on Each Fund

#### Global and Regional Trust Funds:

<p><b>UN Partnership to promote the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Multi-Donor Trust Fund (UNPRPD MDTF)</b></p>	<p><b>For programmes that bring together UN Agencies to implement the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CPRD). NGOs can only be a sub-recipient.</b></p>
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- Expires: 31 May 2026
- Established to fund the United Nations Partnership on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNPRPD)
  - Participants of the partnership: ILO, OHCHR, UNDESA , UNDP, UNESCO, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN Women, WHO
  - The UNDP Inclusive Political Processes Team serves as the Technical Secretariat for the Partnership
  - The UNPRPD also works with civil society organisations including the International Disability Alliance (IDA) and the International Disability and Development Consortium (IDDC).
- Application process:
  - UN Country Teams submit expressions of interest
  - Resources are channeled through through the UNPRPD Participating UN Organisations (as listed above)
    - The recipient Participating UN Organizations will be responsible for disburse funds to sub-recipients (government institutions, civil society partners (including organisations of persons with disabilities) or other UN organisations).
  - Two resource allocations:
    - Global and regional level window
      - Participating UN Organisations applying for funding develop a full project proposal based on the concept and resource envelope included in the [medium-term work plan](#).
    - Country Level window
      - Based on a call for proposals; call for proposals is sent to UN Country Teams that are responsible for identifying the most relevant intervention to be undertaken, as well as appropriate implementation arrangements (including delegation of responsibility to one or more UNPRPD participating UN organisations), in consultation with relevant partners and in line with the principles outlined in [the Strategic Framework](#)
  - Has supported:
    - Inclusion China, a family association for persons with intellectual and mental disabilities, received technical support from UNPRPD in

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submitting a legislative proposal to the National People's Congress in 2016, as well as for submitting five legislative proposals to five provincial governments on inclusive employment and its supporting systems

- Second Round of Funding went to programmes in the following countries: Armenia, Bolivia, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Mexico, Sudan, Tajikistan and Uganda
  - Each joint programme brought together UN organisations on issues related to CRPD implementation.
- Email: Ms. Ola Abualghaib, Manager, UNPRPD Fund Technical Secretariat; UNDP [ola.abualghaib@undp.org](mailto:ola.abualghaib@undp.org)

<b>Education Cannot Wait (ECW)</b>	<b>Aimed to fund education projects in emergencies. Area of MH funding: MHPSS into education in emergency programmes</b>
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ECW is a global fund hosted by UNICEF that aims to transform the delivery of education in emergencies. Investments from the fund are aimed at reaching 8.9 million children and youth annually by 2021. For more information see the [Strategic Framework](#).

- Three allocation modalities:
  - First Emergency Response
    - Responds to immediate and urgent needs (for projects that are a maximum of 12 months)
    - Aligned with Flash Appeals and Humanitarian Response Plans
    - ECW does not accept unsolicited single grantee applications.
  - Multi-Year Resilience
    - For joint analysis, multi-year-planning and joint-programming in protracted crisis countries - particularly with a focus on bridging the gap between humanitarian and development funding
      - 3-4 year long joint programmes
    - Programmes are aligned with Humanitarian Response Plans, the Refugee Resettlement Programme and the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework, Global Partnership for Education-supported Education Sector Plans (and transitional plans) and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework
    - Eligible for 25 priority countries:
      - Afghanistan, Iraq, Palestine/West Bank and Gaza, Bangladesh, Jordan, Somalia, Burundi, Lebanon, South Sudan, Cameroon, Libya, Sudan, Central African Republic, Mali, Syrian Arab Republic, Chad, Myanmar, Uganda, Democratic Republic of Congo, Niger, Yemen, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Haiti, Pakistan
      - selection of grantees is undertaken at the country level by an ECW Task Force.
  - Acceleration Facility

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- For programmes in sudden emergencies and protracted crises that increase collective efforts at all levels to improve education preparedness, planning and response.
- Strategy is still being developed. Check website for a call for proposals when ready.
- [The High-Level Steering Group](#) provides strategic guidance to the Fund's operations
- MHPSS funded examples:
  - Funds have gone to the development and demonstration of the WHO-UNICEF Minimum Service Packages (MSP) on MHPSS within Health and Protection sectors.
- Email: [info@educationcannotwait.org](mailto:info@educationcannotwait.org)

<b>Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)</b>	<b>Aimed to provide a more predictable and timely humanitarian response. Areas of funding: psychosocial support in education, health and protection clusters</b>
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Managed by the Emergency Relief Coordinator (ERC) on behalf of the UN Secretary-General, the CERF is intended to provide a more predictable and timely humanitarian response.

- Three objectives of the fund:
  - promote early action and response to reduce loss of life
  - enhance response to time-critical humanitarian requirements
  - strengthen core elements of humanitarian response in underfunded crises.
- ERC approves CERF grants. The [CERF Advisory Group](#) provides policy guidance
- Two allocation modalities:
  - **Rapid Response**
    - Provides funding for the following contexts:
      - sudden onset disasters
      - rapid and significant deteriorations of existing crises, and
      - time-critical interventions.
    - Eligibility:
      - UN organisations (excluding OCHA) and IOM. NGOs cannot request rapid response funding.
    - Process:
      - The Resident Coordinator (RC) and/or Humanitarian Coordinator (HC) draft a cover letter to the ERC and provide a completed CERF application. The CERF Secretariat will review the application and the ERC will make the final decision
      - Projects must be based on current needs assessments, and comply with the Guidance on CERF [Life-Saving Criteria](#).
  - **Underfunded Emergencies**
    - Twice a year the ERC will select countries eligible to receive funding through this window. To learn more about the country selection process see [the methodology](#)
      - In countries with an HRP, the CERF underfunded emergencies window can only fund HRP projects.



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- Process:
  - ERC informs the RC/HC of countries selected and available funds
  - RC/HC develops a strategy for the CERF grant and to identify and submit projects that could qualify for underfunded emergency allocations
  - The RC/HC and the Humanitarian Country Team identify potential humanitarian projects
  - Following the RC/HC's submission of the strategy and projects, the ERC has final approval
  - See [here](#) for updated guidelines for the Window.
- Eligibility:
  - NGOs cannot access funding, however they can be implementing partners
    - NGOs may prioritize and recommend sectors, geographical areas, or projects to be included in the CERF request.
  - In 2017 funds assisted psychosocial support in the following countries: Cuba, Dominica, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Democratic Rep. Congo, Niger, Mali, Kenya, Uganda, Zimbabwe, Libya, Sudan, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines (see CERF Results [report](#))
- Email: CERF secretariat at [cerf@un.org](mailto:cerf@un.org)

<b>Women's Peace &amp; Humanitarian Fund (WPHF)</b>	<b>Mobilizes funding for local women's organisations working on the frontlines of conflict and crises. Areas of funding are psychosocial support to women.</b>
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WPHF is a flexible and rapid financing tool supporting grassroots civil society organisations to enhance the capacity of women to prevent conflict, respond to crises and emergencies, and seize key peacebuilding opportunities. For more information see: [Annual Report 2018](#).

- Ends Dec 2020
- A programme-based financing instrument, providing an allocation of up to three years to eligible countries
  - Eligible countries:
    - Afghanistan, Burundi, C.A.R., Colombia, D.R.C., Haiti, Jordan, Liberia, Malawi, Mali, Myanmar, Nigeria, Palestine, Papua New Guinea, Somalia, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Uganda, Ukraine, Yemen, Bangladesh
- A minimum of 50% of all WPHF funds are expected to be allocated to CSOs
- In one of the six outcome areas:
  - Protection of women and girls' human rights, safety, physical and mental health and security. This requires measures that prevent acts of violence, facilitate access to services for survivors of violence, and strengthen accountability mechanisms.



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- Funds have supported:
  - [In Iraq 2018](#), 1,324 women and girls received legal and psychological support and benefited from peacebuilding awareness raising campaigns
  - In Jordan WPHF-supported projects have benefited a total of 6,162 women and girls among Syrian refugees and Jordanian through the establishment of sexual and reproductive health clinics and training on emergency contraception, early-marriage prevention, psychosocial services and legal support
- Access:
  - NGOs can access the fund through a UN Management Entity.
- Email: Ms. Ghita El Khyari, Policy Specialist, Secretariat of the Women's Peace & Humanitarian Fund Email: [ghita.khyari@unwomen.org](mailto:ghita.khyari@unwomen.org)

<p><a href="#">The Fund to End Violence Against Children</a></p>	<p><b>Two thematic areas: 1) Online - addressing violence online, with a particular focus on child sexual exploitation and abuse and 2) Children in Crises - addressing violence against children affected by conflicts and crises. MH: area: MHPSS for children</b></p>
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This funds two thematic areas: 1) *Online* - addressing violence online, with a particular focus on child sexual exploitation and abuse; and 2) *Children in Crises* - addressing violence against children affected by conflicts and crises.

- Eligibility dependent on open call
- Newest funding round is now on-going until 6 December 2019
  - Total funds to be awarded through this open call is approximately US\$13 million
  - This current round focuses on projects that prevent and combat online child sexual exploitation and abuse.
- [Funds have supported:](#)
  - In Nigeria:
    - Save the Children (USD \$596,361) is providing psychosocial support to nearly 1,300 children, including 566 girls
    - International Rescue Committee (IRC) - (USD \$540,402) supported parents and caregivers to prevent corporal punishment and is providing 1,500 children with psychosocial support
    - Terre des Hommes (USD \$540,401) provided psychosocial care to 1,250 children
  - In Uganda:
    - Transcultural Psychosocial Organization (USD \$556,940) provided life skills training to social workers and psychosocial support to 3,000 children
  - Full list of Grantees can be found [here](#).
- Contact: [info@end-violence.org](mailto:info@end-violence.org) [fund@end-violence.org](mailto:fund@end-violence.org) and [secretariat@end-violence.org](mailto:secretariat@end-violence.org)

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<p><b><a href="#">The UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women</a></b></p>	<p><b>Aims to improve access to services, such as legal assistance, psychosocial counselling and health care, by increasing the capacity of service providers to respond effectively to the needs of women and girls affected by violence. Various countries eligible dependent on the call for proposals.</b></p>
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Aimed at stopping all of the diverse forms of gender-based violence that undercut women's rights around the world. Managed by UN Women.

- UN Trust Fund has awarded USD \$128 million to 462 initiatives in 139 countries and territories. Its current portfolio comprises 120 grants totalling USD \$50 million in 80 countries and territories. The Trust fund aims to:
  - prevent violence against women and girls by empowering groups especially at risk of violence, including adolescent girls and indigenous or ethnic minority women, and engaging strategically with boys and men as well as traditional and faith-based leaders to prevent violence
  - improve access to services, such as legal assistance, **psychosocial counselling** and health care, by increasing the capacity of service providers to respond effectively to the needs of women and girls affected by violence
  - strengthen implementation of laws, policies and action plans on violence against women and girls through data collection and analysis, and by ensuring that institutions are more effective, transparent and accountable in addressing violence against women
- Current call for proposals:
  - Currently closed - [check website](#) late 2019 for next call.
- Annual Call for Proposals accepts multi-year grant applications for up to USD 1 million.

<p><b><a href="#">The United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture</a></b></p>	<p><b>Awards grants to civil society projects that provide medical, psychological, social and legal assistance to victims of torture. Thematic area: MHPSS</b></p>
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The Fund awards annual grants averaging USD \$30,000 - \$40,000 to a variety of civil society projects that provide medical, psychological, social and legal assistance to victims of torture. The projects are selected by the Fund's independent Board of Trustees. In 2015, the Fund awarded a total of USD \$6,188,000 to 184 projects; USD \$75,400 to three training projects; and USD \$1,000,000 for emergency projects and capacity building.

- Call for applications are launched every year from 15 January to 1 March - check the [online application system](#).
- Thematic mental health area: MHPSS
- Administered by OHCHR
- Average grant size of the fund in 2019 was USD \$45,000
- Eligibility:



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- Only non-governmental entities with at least two years of experience in providing redress and rehabilitation to victims of torture and their family members, including NGOs, rehabilitation centres, foundations, association of victims, private and public hospitals, and legal clinics
- Funding calls for 2020 are closed. Continue to check [website](#)
- Email: [unvft@ohchr.org](mailto:unvft@ohchr.org)

<b>United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF)</b>	<b>Supports projects that strengthen the voice of civil society, promote human rights, and encourage the participation of all groups in democratic processes.</b>
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UNDEF supports projects that strengthen the voice of civil society, promote human rights, and encourage the participation of all groups in democratic processes. The large majority of UNDEF funds go to local civil society organisations, both in the transition and consolidation phases of democratization.

Sectors covered include gender equality, community activism, rule of law and human rights youth engagement, strengthening civil society interaction with government, media and freedom of information tools for knowledge, and electoral processes.

- UNDEF projects are two years long
- Grants awarded are minimum of USD \$100,000 and a maximum of USD \$300,000
- Fewer than 2% are chosen for funding
- UNDEF accepts on-line proposals during an annual window, which will open from mid-November 2019 to mid- December 2019
- Geographical spread:
  - All countries as well as regional and global initiatives will be considered. A strong preference will be given to applicants from countries and regions that are in the transition and consolidation phases of democratization, in particular countries emerging from conflict, new and restored democracies, least developed countries and LMICs
- For a full Q&A [see their website](#).
- [Apply for Funding](#)
- MH areas funded ([full list of projects](#))
  - Empowering and Creating an Educational Framework for People with Intellectual Disorders in Belarus
  - Rule of Law and Rehabilitation of Young Offenders in Kazakhstan.

<b><a href="#">Peacebuilding Fund (PBF)</a></b>	<b>Addresses immediate needs in countries emerging from conflict and will support interventions of direct and immediate relevance to the peacebuilding process. MH support: MHPSS.</b>
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Currently supporting more than 200 projects in 27 countries by delivering fast, flexible and relevant funding. The PBF is managed by the Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support, supported by the Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO).

Addresses immediate needs in countries emerging from conflict at a time when sufficient resources are not available from other funding mechanisms and will support interventions of direct and immediate relevance to the peacebuilding process and contribute towards addressing critical gaps in that process. It focuses on delivering services in the very early stages of a peacebuilding process, before donor conferences are organized and such funding mechanisms as country-specific Multi-Partner Trust Funds have been set up.

- Allocates money through two funding facilities:
  - The Immediate Response Facility (IRF)
    - Maximum duration of IRF funded projects is 18 months
    - Project-based financing mechanism of the PBF
    - Requests up to USD \$3 million if your country is not a formally recognised eligible country; up to USD \$15 million if country is eligible.
  - The Peacebuilding Recovery Facility (PRF)
    - The programme-based financing mechanism of the PBF, providing up to three years of support to countries towards consolidation of peace. PRF support can only be provided to those countries that have been declared as 'eligible' for PBF support by the UN Secretary-General.
  - Both facilities fund initiatives that:
    - Respond to imminent threats to the peace process and initiatives that support peace agreements and political dialogue
    - Build or strengthen national capacities to promote coexistence and peaceful resolution of conflict
    - Stimulate economic revitalization to general peace dividends
    - Re-establish essential administrative services
- PBF funds are disbursed to Recipient UN Organizations who implement projects together with national or locally-based Implementing Partners.
- Country Eligibility:
  - Countries emerging from conflict or at risk of (re)lapsing into conflict. PBSO may refer to renowned public sources and publications to assess country fragility, including those produced by the UN
  - Countries already declared eligible for the PBF
  - Countries on the agenda of the PBC
  - Country eligibility for the IRF is determined by the Secretary-General based on a recommendation from the ASG/PBSO (for single projects with a value less than \$3,000,000 a formal declaration from the SG is not required).
- Countries Funded:
  - Burundi, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Central African Republic, Chad, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, The Democratic Republic, Cote d'Ivoire, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guatemala, Haiti (PBF programs completed), Kenya (PBF programs completed), Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Myanmar, Niger, Nepal, Papua New Guinea,



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Philippines, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, South Sudan, Timor-Leste (PBF programs completed), Uganda, Yemen

- In 2018, UNFPA was awarded funds for psychosocial care in Liberia
- Process:
  - Full application details for the PRF see [this doc](#)
  - NGOs may partner with the UN to receive funds
- Email: Mr Oscar Fernandez-Taranco, Assistant Secretary General, Peacebuilding Support (PBSO), [fernandez-taranco@un.org](mailto:fernandez-taranco@un.org).

<a href="#">Working for Health MPTE</a>	<b>To harness resources to increase the global health workforce (this could include those working on MH/ MHPSS), Created to fund the Working for Health Programme that is run by ILO, OECD and WHO</b>
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The primary mechanism for mobilizing and managing resources for the [Working for Health Programme](#), a joint initiative launched by the ILO, OECD and WHO in November 2017. Aimed at accelerating the investments and actions needed to avert the projected 18 million health worker shortfalls and create over 40 million new health and social worker jobs.

- Expires December 2022
- Project proposals can be global, regional or national as direct requests from Member States
- All UN member states may request assistance. However priority states that have already expressed an interest include:
  - Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo, Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe; Iraq, The Philippines, Tunisia
- The WHO, ILO and OECD will develop proposals for specific projects or activities that will achieve the deliverables of the five-year action plan. These proposals can be country specific, regional or global in scope, but must follow the project proposal template developed by the technical secretariat
- No expenditure for the year
- For NGOs or CSOs to receive funds, these would have to be channelled through WHO, ILO, OECD
- Full [TOR](#)
- Contact: Mr. Paul Marsden, Technical Officer: Health Workforce Department, WHO  
Email: [marsdenp@who.int](mailto:marsdenp@who.int)

<a href="#">Spotlight Initiative Fund</a>	<b>The Spotlight Initiative is aimed at eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls (VAWG).</b>
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Aimed at eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls (VAWG), [the Initiative](#) will respond to all forms of VAWG, with a particular focus on domestic and family violence, sexual and gender-based violence and harmful practices, femicide, trafficking in human beings and sexual and economic (labour) exploitation. In line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Initiative will fully integrate the principle of ‘leaving no one behind’.

- The following regions/focus areas as entry points to combat the continuum of VAWG:
  - Africa – sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) and harmful practices (HP) addressing links to sexual reproductive health and rights (SRHR)
  - Asia – trafficking and sexual and labour exploitation
  - The Caribbean – family violence
  - Latin America – femicide
  - The Pacific – domestic violence
- Eligibility dependent on call for proposals which are listed on [mptf website](#)
- Full [TOR](#)

Contact: Ms. Olga Aleshina, Head of the Management Unit, [olga.aleshina@undp.org](mailto:olga.aleshina@undp.org)

<a href="#">Joint SDG Fund</a>	<b>For accelerating SDG progress and supports initiatives that create networks and coalitions between governments and private/public capital. MH projects would have to be integrated into other sectoral areas to be considered.</b>
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The Joint SDG Fund is an inter-agency pooled mechanism for strategic financing and integrated policy support. The Fund supports programmes that work across all 17 SDGs and cross-cutting areas so countries can accelerate progress towards attaining the SDGs and 2030 Agenda.

- Expires December 2030
- The fund works by:
  - providing targeted resources for multi-agency initiatives that strengthen national capacities for integrated policy
  - developing a country’s SDG financing ecosystem
  - implementing catalytic SDG programming and investments
  - ensuring effective and sustainable development results at national and sub-national levels
- Focuses on accelerating SDG progress, leveraging public and private financing, and/or lead to the development of new partnerships that steer investments towards the SDGs
- Supports initiatives that create new coalitions and networks between governments, development banks, commercial banks, impact investors, funds, and other sources of private and public capital
- Eligibility:
  - Available for all UNCTs.
    - Proposals can be submitted by UN country teams through the UN Resident Coordinator on behalf of the participating agencies
  - Funding may be provided to any country or thematic area

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- Particular focus on UNDAF rollout countries that require investment in priority areas and support in SDG implementation.
  - Can also fund global and multi-country initiatives that directly contribute to the fund results matrix
  - Activities supported are expected to be implemented through joint programmes, with two or more Participating UN organisations
- Currently supporting programmes in 22 countries:
  - Bangladesh, Bolivia, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Fiji, Guatemala, Honduras, Mozambique, Nigeria, occupied Palestinian territory, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Samoa, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Vanuatu, Viet Nam
  - In these sectors:
    - inclusive economic growth for poverty eradication, food security and nutrition and water and sanitation.
- [For full TOR](#)
- Email: Ms Lisa Kurbiel, [Lisa.kurbiel@un.org](mailto:Lisa.kurbiel@un.org)

<p><a href="#">The United Nations Peace and Development Trust Fund (UNPDF)</a></p>	<p><b>The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Sub-Fund is relevant for MH projects. This finances activities related to the implementation of the SDGs.</b></p>
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Established in 2016, UNPDF has supported more than 30 projects and activities around the world, covering areas including peacekeeping security, rapid response systems, counter-terrorism, strengthening partnership between the UN and regional organisations, poverty alleviation, science and technology, small-and medium-sized enterprise, education, health care, etc. Only UN Secretariat entities can apply.

- Approval:
  - The projects and activities are approved by the Secretary-General upon the advice of a Steering Committee made up of representatives from the United Nations Secretariat and the Donor Government
- Two sub-funds:
  - [The Secretary-General's Peace and Security Sub-Fund](#)
    - For projects and activities related to the maintenance of international peace and security
    - Managed by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (EOSG)
  - [2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Sub-Fund](#)
    - Managed by DESA
    - Financing for activities related to the implementation of the SDGs
    - Priority areas:
      - Support the implementation of related goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in developing countries, especially those in special situations (least



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developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing states)

- Strengthen national capacity of developing countries along the Belt and Road region on integrated policy formulation, trade promotion, inclusive and sustainable industrialization, financial cooperation, inter-regional and intra-regional connectivity, and integrating the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Belt and Road initiative into their national plans and strategies
  - Promote prosperity and poverty eradication through economic growth, decent employment, quality education, health-care service, social protection, social inclusion, industrialization, and infrastructure building.
  - Foster environmental protection and combat climate change through the promotion of innovative technology among developing countries.
  - Strengthen domestic systems and mechanisms of developing countries to mobilize resources and means of implementation for sustainable development
  - Support the work of the UN Secretary-General on global development issues, including emerging and frontier issues, enhance the fairness and inclusiveness of the global economic governance
  - Promote the concept of innovative, coordinated, open, green and shared development
- How to apply:
    - UN Secretariat entities submit project proposals
    - Application package, including Concept Note and Budget, should be submitted electronically with a cover letter signed by the relevant authority of the applying entity indicating the priority ranking of the three (max.) proposals to DESA's Capacity Development Office (CDO) at [cdo@un.org](mailto:cdo@un.org)
  - Max funds: US\$ 1.5M per project
- [Full Guidelines](#) for both sub-funds.

### Country-Based Funds

<p><b><a href="#">The Afghanistan Humanitarian Fund (AHF)</a></b></p>	<p><b>To fund humanitarian projects responding to needs identified <a href="#">in the current HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b></p>
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Only humanitarian projects responding to needs identified [in the current Humanitarian Response Plan \(HRP\)](#) are eligible for funding during an AHF allocation. The HRP outlines the strategic and operational plan for the coordination of assistance by UN agencies and



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NGO partners in Afghanistan, and is developed in consultation with the clusters . [See the 2018 Annual report](#) for projects funded.

- Eligibility:
  - National NGOs, international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - In order to become eligible as AHF partners, NGOs have to participate in a Capacity Assessment
    - NGOs interested in becoming AHF partners should contact the HFU at [ahf-afg@un.org](mailto:ahf-afg@un.org).
- Objectives:
  - Support humanitarian partners (national and international NGOs, UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes and Red Cross/Red Crescent Organisations) to address the most pressing needs in accordance with humanitarian principles
  - Improve the relevance and coherence of humanitarian response by strategically funding assessed humanitarian action as identified in the HRP
  - Strengthen coordination and leadership through the function of the HC and the humanitarian cluster system
- Two Modalities:
  - Standard: for priority projects in line with the HRP. Usually occurs twice a year after the launch of the HRP and following the HRP review
    - The HC decides on allocations based on strategic prioritization
  - Reserve: for unforeseen emergencies
- To learn more about the Fund, [search the website](#).

<p><b>Central African Republic Humanitarian Fund (CAR HF)</b></p>	<p><b>For humanitarian projects that are included in <a href="#">the current CAR HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC for CR to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects</b></p>
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To fund humanitarian projects included in the [current CAR HRP](#).

- Eligibility:
  - National NGOs, international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - National NGOs must undergo a capacity-assessment process. See [operational manual](#).
    - 64% of projects funded under the CHF-CAR are projects submitted and implemented by NGOs
- Objectives:
  - Support humanitarian reform to ensure predictable, flexible and timely humanitarian funding to meet the needs of vulnerable communities
  - Strengthen the leadership of the HC and the humanitarian coordination system
- Two allocation modalities:



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- Standard: 80% of funding, allocates funds in support of the priority needs of the HRP through the consultative process involving humanitarian partners
  - grants under standard allocations are expected to range from USD \$200,000 to USD \$500,000
  - The HC decides on allocations based on strategic prioritization
- Reserve: 20% of funding, rapid response / unforeseen emergencies
- Contact: [chfcar@un.org](mailto:chfcar@un.org)
- For further information, see [CAR HF website](#).

<a href="#">Democratic Republic of the Congo Humanitarian Fund (DRC HF)</a>	<b>For humanitarian projects that are included in the current <a href="#">DRC HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC for DRC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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DRC HF funds activities that have been prioritized as the most urgent and strategic to address critical humanitarian needs in the country in close alignment with the [current DRC HRP](#).

- Eligibility:
  - National NGOs, international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - NGOs need to undergo a capacity assessment to be eligible. See operational manual
- Objectives:
  - Improve the humanitarian response by ensuring that funding is allocated to priority humanitarian needs through an inclusive and coordinated process
  - Strengthen the leadership of the Humanitarian Coordinator and support his coordinating role
  - Mobilize resources and support coordination in support of the HRP
- Two allocation modalities:
  - Standard: large, strategic allocations to fund multi-sectoral humanitarian interventions of up to 36 months with a strong focus on building community resilience. Allocations are targeted thematically or geographically and focus on prioritized needs, activities and geographical locations identified in the HRP
    - Duration: up to 36 months and can be implemented by individual or consortium partners
    - The HC decides on allocations based on strategic prioritization
  - Reserve: rapid and flexible allocation mechanism to tackle sudden-onset emergencies or the deterioration of existing crises. Maximum duration 12 months
    - Duration: 12 months
- Contact: Rawad El Zir, DRC Humanitarian Fund Manager, [elzir@un.org](mailto:elzir@un.org)



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<b>Somalia Humanitarian Fund (SHF)</b>	<b>For projects included in the current Somalia HRP. NGOs should engage with the Humanitarian Coordinator (HC) for Somalia to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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The Fund supports the highest-priority projects of the best-placed responders - mainly international and national NGOs and some UN agencies - that meet priorities set out in the current [HRP](#).

- Eligibility:
  - National NGOs, international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - NGOs need to undergo a capacity assessment. See the [website](#) for eligibility terms
- Objectives:
  - Continued focus on life-saving humanitarian response with focus on, if and when possible, underserved and hard-to-access areas
  - Ensuring the centrality of protection in all SHF-funded interventions
  - Prioritization of direct implementation through international and national non-governmental partners, accounting for at least 80% of available annual SHF funding
  - Support for local partners by striving to channel at least 40% of available funding directly through national partners (if, when and where feasible)
  - Continue supporting integration of response across clusters and complementarity with other funding sources in support of a stronger collective response
  - Support funding for pipelines, enabling programmes and other support services provided by the United Nations or NGOs, up to a maximum of 20% of annually available funds
- Two allocation modalities:
  - Standard Allocation
    - Funds are usually allocated early in the year for projects included in the Somalia HRP, based on a strategy that identifies the highest priority needs underpinned by vulnerability data and needs analysis
      - The HC for Somalia decides on SHF allocations based on strategic prioritization
  - SHF Reserve
    - Reserve funds are primarily intended for rapid and flexible allocations of funding in the event of unforeseen emergencies or to address identified gaps
- Contact: Mr. Matija Kovac, Head, Humanitarian Financing / Somalia Humanitarian Fund (SHF) Manager, Email: [kovacm@un.org](mailto:kovacm@un.org)

<b>South Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SSHF)</b>	<b>For activities listed in <a href="#">the current South Sudan HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC for South Sudan to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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A pooled funding mechanism under the overall authority of the HC, that is intended to support national and international NGOs and UN agencies providing humanitarian assistance to people in need in a strategic and timely manner. See [2018 Annual Report](#).

- Eligibility:
  - National NGOs, international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - UN agencies must sign the SSHF Memorandum of Understanding which sets out applicable roles and accountabilities
    - NGOs must go through a capacity assessment
- The HC for South Sudan oversees the Fund and decides on funding allocations
- Two modalities:
  - Standard allocation mechanism, which will be used to allocate the bulk of the South Sudan CHF resources and to ensure funding for priority projects in line with the CAP. Two standard allocation rounds per year will be ensured under this facility
  - A rapid onset mechanism, CHF Reserve, which will be used for the rapid and flexible allocation of funds in the event of unforeseen needs
- Programmes for funding psychosocial support for vulnerable groups, children (in education, health and protection clusters in the HRP)
- Contact: [OCHASSHF@un.org](mailto:OCHASSHF@un.org)

<p><b><a href="#">South Sudan Recovery Fund (SSRF)</a></b></p>	<p><b>To channel funds to support the Government of South Sudan’s recovery priorities and to bridge the gap between humanitarian and development assistance.</b></p>
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Intended to channel funds to support the Government of South Sudan’s recovery priorities and provide immediate benefits for the population while laying the foundation for sustainable development.

- Eligibility:
  - Any Participating UN Organization or Non-UN Participating Organization that has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the MPTF Office, as Administrative Agent (AA) of the SSRF, is eligible to receive funding from the SSRF
    - NGOs, CSOs, or other designated institutions or entities may also receive funds from the SSRF through these Participating UN Organizations or Non-UN Participating Organizations
- Email: Mr Eugene Owusu, Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General, UN Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator, Juba, South Sudan, Email: [owusu@un.org](mailto:owusu@un.org)



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<b>Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SHF)</b>	<b>Funds activities in close alignment with <a href="#">the Sudan Multi-Year Humanitarian Strategy (MYHS)</a> and <a href="#">the current HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC for Sudan to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS.</b>
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SHF funds activities that have been prioritized as the most urgent and strategic in addressing critical humanitarian needs in the country in close alignment with [the Sudan Multi-Year Humanitarian Strategy \(MYHS\)](#) and [the current HRP](#). **2018 Annual Report**

- Eligibility:
  - National NGOs, international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - In 2018 the SHF targeted 89% of direct funding to NGOs
    - NGOs must go through a capacity assessment. See [operational manual](#)
- Objectives:
  - To improve humanitarian response by increasing funding allocations to priority humanitarian needs through an inclusive and coordinated process at the field level
  - To strengthen the leadership of the HC
  - To contribute to the delivery of the HRP within the context of the Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC) or any strategy agreed by the HC
- Two allocation modalities:
  - Standard: Funds are usually allocated early in the year for projects included in the HRP, based on a strategy that identifies the highest priority needs underpinned by vulnerability data and needs analysis
  - Reserve: intended for rapid and flexible allocations of funds in the event of unforeseen emergencies or to address critical funding gaps.
    - For both modalities: the HC publishes an allocation strategy, which specifies the sectors and activities eligible for funding
- Contact: Ms. Gwi-Yeop Son, UN Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator in Sudan, Email: [gwi-yeop.son@one.un.org](mailto:gwi-yeop.son@one.un.org)

<b><a href="#">Liberia Multi-Partner Trust Fund (LMPTF)</a></b>	<b>To support and accelerate the implementation of the <a href="#">Pro-Poor Agenda for Prosperity and Development (PAPD)</a> and to support efforts to implement the SDGs.</b>
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LMPTF is designed to support and accelerate the implementation of the Pro-Poor Agenda for Prosperity and Development ([PAPD](#)) and to support efforts to implement the SDGs (see the [Full TOR](#)).

- Eligible:



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- Implementing partners, consisting of government institutions and NGOs, can receive funding from the Fund through Participating UN Organizations.
- National Entities (i.e. pre-qualified government institutions) to receive direct fund allocations from the LMPTF to strengthen the Liberian Government's ownership and its active involvement in programme implementation
- MPFT key result areas: The Fund's current result areas are hinged on the PAPD's four pillars as follows;
  - Power to the People: Which focuses on providing more equitable opportunities in education, health, youth development and social protection
  - The Economy and Jobs: Which is looking to promote economic stability and create jobs through effective resource mobilisation and prudent management of the economy
  - Sustaining the Peace: Whose goal is to promote a cohesive society for sustainable development
  - Governance and Transparency: Which will promote an inclusive and accountable public sector for shared prosperity and sustainable development
- Email: Ms. Catherine Waliaula, Head of Secretariat and Programme Coordinator  
Email: [catherine.waliaula@one.un.org](mailto:catherine.waliaula@one.un.org)

<b><a href="#">Somalia Multi Window Trust Fund</a></b>	<b>Channels funds for programmatic activities identified under each Peacebuilding and Statebuilding Goals (PSGs) of the <a href="#">Somali Compact</a> (PSG pillars).</b>
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The Somalia UN MPTF organizes its programmatic and operational work according to the priorities identified under each Peacebuilding and Statebuilding Goals (PSGs) of the [Somali Compact](#) (referred to as PSG pillars). The PSG pillars include: inclusive Politics (PSG1), Security (PSG2), Justice (PSG3), Economic Foundations (PSG4) and Revenue and Services (PSG5). See [semi-annual report](#) for more information.

- End Date: December 2024
- Eligible:
  - Participating UN Organisations (UN Agencies, UNSOM, and UNSOA) are eligible to receive funding from the Somalia UN MPTF by concluding a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Administrative Agent
  - Financing may be provided to national and sub-national institutions and international NGOs through one of the UN Agencies
- Has supported protection programmes that provide psychosocial support to survivors of SGBV
- Email: Mr Adam Abdelmoula, Deputy Special Representative, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, Somalia [abdelmoula@un.org](mailto:abdelmoula@un.org)

<b><a href="#">SDGs Acceleration Fund for Albania</a></b>	<b>Created to advance the 2030 Agenda in Albania.</b>
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The SDG Acceleration Fund aims to advance the 2030 Agenda by contributing to accelerated progress in achieving national sustainable development goals through providing



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catalytic support to priority areas of SDG achievement in the framework of the National Strategy for Development and Integration 2015-2020 and the PoCSD 2017-2021, as well as supporting processes around SDGs (monitoring, reporting). Expires Dec 2021.

- Priority areas: Governance and Rule of Law, Social Inclusion (Health, Education, Social Protection & Inclusion, Child Protection and GBV), Economic Growth, Labour, and Agriculture, Environment and Climate Change
- Eligibility:
  - All Participating UN Organizations that have signed the PoCSD (2017-2021) and Memorandum of Understanding are eligible
    - Implementing Partners such as NGOs involved in the Common Operational Document will have access to the Albania SDG Acceleration Fund through the Participating UN Organization
- Contact: Ms Jennifer Topping, Executive Coordinator, [jennifer.topping@undp.org](mailto:jennifer.topping@undp.org)

<a href="#">Indonesia Disaster Recovery TF</a>	<b>To fund implementation of the Government of Indonesia’s Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Action Plans (RENAKSI) that are formulated following disasters requiring international support.</b>
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A standing mechanism to help fund implementation of the Government of Indonesia’s Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Action Plans (RENAKSI) that are formulated following disasters that require international support. For further information [see the narrative report](#).

- The proposals to be funded should meet the following criteria:
  - Consistent with the government’s Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Strategy in response to the needs of the citizens of the disaster affected area
  - Enable the efficient, speedy and sustainable recovery and can be completed
  - Comply with the signed agreements with the administrative agent
- Contributions to the IMDFF-DR will be allocated between the two windows within the following focus areas:
  - Early Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction, Housing, Livelihoods, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building
- Contact: Ms. Anita Nirody, Resident Coordinator, E-mail: [Anita.Nirody@one.un.org](mailto:Anita.Nirody@one.un.org)

<a href="#">Lebanon Recovery Fund (LRF)</a>	<b>Created to support the 2030 SDG agenda implementation in Lebanon.</b>
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First established in 2006, this fund has developed to now support the 2030 SDG agenda implementation in Lebanon. However, recently it has only funded two projects (one on-going till 2020). Only UN Agencies that have signed an MOU can be eligible. Check back to see how the LRF develops in the future. Ms. Hanna Schmitt, Head of the UN Resident Coordinator Office, Email: [hanna.schmitt@one.un.org](mailto:hanna.schmitt@one.un.org)





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<p><b>Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF)</b></p>	<p>For activities set out in the <a href="#">current Yemen HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC for Yemen to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</p>
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YHF funds activities set out in the [current Yemen HRP](#).

- Eligibility:
  - Funds available to national and international NGOs, the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movements and UN agencies
  - Priority is given to NGOs
  - For full assessment of NGOs, [see website](#) for process and the [operations manual](#).
- Objectives:
  - Support life-saving and life-sustaining activities while filling critical funding gaps
  - Promote needs-based assistance in accordance with humanitarian principles
  - Strengthen coordination and leadership primarily through the function of the HC and by leveraging the cluster system
  - Improve the relevance and coherence of humanitarian response by strategically funding priorities as identified under HRP
  - Expand the delivery of assistance in hard-to-reach areas by partnering with NGOs
- Allocation strategies are released twice yearly under the leadership of the HC. Organisations need to engage with the HC to ensure MH is included in the strategy.
- Two modalities:
  - Standard allocation for priority projects in line with the HRP
    - Allocation strategy papers will be formulated twice a year under the leadership of the HC
  - Reserve allocation for the rapid and flexible allocation of funds for emergencies
- Contact: [yemenhpf@un.org](mailto:yemenhpf@un.org) for any questions and for local NGOs to access YHF funds.

<p><b>Syria Cross Border Humanitarian Fund</b></p>	<p>To fund activities in line with the <a href="#">current Syrian HRP</a>; NGOs should engage with the DRHC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</p>
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The fund supports projects and activities in line with the [current Syrian HRP](#) and the Fund's [Operational Manual](#) and enables humanitarian partners to expand and support the delivery of humanitarian assistance across border and conflict lines. (Formerly known as Turkey Humanitarian Fund (THF)).

- Eligibility:
  - Syrian and international NGOs, the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movements and UN agencies
    - Priority is given to Syrian NGOs



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- Objectives:
  - Promote needs-based assistance and amplify the quality of humanitarian response, including but not limited to accountability to affected populations, gender and protection mainstreaming
  - Promote the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS) and the Grand Bargain commitments agreed upon in 2016 (the objective of 15% of HRP funding being channelled through the pooled funding mechanisms, the principle of un-earmarked humanitarian funding, as well as localisation of aid)
  - Increase/build the capacity of new and existing humanitarian partners particularly Syrian NGOs
- Two Modalities:
  - Standard: (through a call for proposals). Issued on a periodic basis at the discretion of the Deputy Regional Humanitarian Coordinator (DRHC) and linked to the priorities of the HRP
    - DRHC publishes an allocation strategy that specifies the sectors and activities eligible for funding
    - Organisations should engage with the DRHC to incorporate MHPSS into strategies
  - Reserve: for rapid and flexible allocation of funds in the event of unforeseen circumstances, emergencies or contextually relevant needs
- Contact: Markus Werne, Head of Office a.i., Email: [werne@un.org](mailto:werne@un.org) and Ms. Anne-Sophie Lebeux, Fund Manager Email: [lebeux@un.org](mailto:lebeux@un.org)

<b>Ethiopia Humanitarian Fund (EHF)</b>	<b>To fund activities prioritized in the current Ethiopia HRP. NGOs should engage with the HC for Ethiopia to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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EHF responds to conflict-related crises and disasters triggered by natural hazards such as droughts, floods and disease outbreaks, and funds activities in line with the [current Ethiopia HRP](#).

- Eligibility:
  - UN agencies, NGOs and the Ethiopian Red Cross. NGOs must go under a capacity assessment
- Objectives:
  - To ensure more adequate, timely, flexible and effective humanitarian financing through the use of the pooled-funding mechanism
  - To ensure well-prioritized use of resources, primarily in support of the needs and strategies outlined in the national HRP
  - To empower the HC to enhance coordination
  - To support coordination efforts through the cluster approach
  - To improve partnerships between UN and non-UN actors
- Two Modalities:
  - Standard: Funds the HRP and its subsequent prioritization exercise (led by the Inter-Cluster Coordination Forum) that identifies acute relief needs and major gaps that require urgent response in the context of the HRP. The HC,



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in consultation with the Advisory Board, makes final decisions on financing. For reference see the [2019 allocation strategy document](#)

- Reserve allocation: Issued on discretion of the HC for collectively identified strategic needs within the context of the HRP and other emerging needs
- Contact: Mr Tim Mander, Fund Manager email: [mander@un.org](mailto:mander@un.org)
  - Further [contacts](#)

<b>Syria Humanitarian Fund (SHF)</b>	<b>To fund the <a href="#">current Syrian HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC for Syria to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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The SHF is led and managed by the HC for Syria; primarily aligned to support the delivery of the [current HRP](#) while maintaining the flexibility to allocate funds to unforeseen events or special requirements.

- Eligibility:
  - National and international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - 60% of funds to go to NGOs and Red Cross/Red Crescent societies
    - NGOs must undergo a capacity assessment to be eligible to receive funds. See [Full operational manual](#)
- Objectives:
  - Help cover gaps in priority activities of the HRP. The SHF will prioritize critical life-saving protection and life-sustaining needs in the most underserved, high severity areas, including hard-to-reach areas and areas that recently shifted control
  - Cover critical gaps in the operation and expand coverage to areas of highest need by leveraging different partnerships
  - Address new priorities and unforeseen emergencies, as identified by the Humanitarian Coordinator, the HCT and/or operational partners
  - Improve the relevance and coherence of the humanitarian response. Funds will be strategically allocated based on identified needs in the HNO and within parameters of the HRP. Independent assessments of needs and priorities identified by the area HCTs as well as by partners on the ground will inform allocations. Priority sectors will be supported at national and sub-national level and promote integrated programming/responses to identified needs
  - Support protection needs. The SHF will give particular attention to protection projects targeting assessed affected population groups, mainly women and children and other vulnerable groups, such as people living with disabilities and the elderly
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: For funding the HRP. Allocation strategy is set by the HC
  - Reserve: For emergencies
- Contact: Ms Kristele Younes, Head of Office; Email: [younes4@un.org](mailto:younes4@un.org)

<b>Nigeria</b>	<b>To fund activities highlighted in the <a href="#">current Nigeria HRP</a>. NGOs</b>
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<b>Humanitarian Fund (NHF)</b>	<b>should engage with the HC for Nigeria to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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The NHF boosts the response with direct allocations to frontline responders for activities prioritized within the programmatic framework of the [current Nigeria HRP](#).

- Eligibility:
  - National and international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - NGOs must undergo a capacity assessment to be eligible to receive funds. See [instructions](#) to apply
- Objectives:
  - To support principled, prioritised life-saving assistance
  - To strengthen coordination and leadership through the function of the UN HC and the sector coordination system, promoting synergies and multi-sectoral responses
  - To expand assistance to hard-to-reach areas through front-line responders and enabling activities
  - To leverage the Nigerian private sector in support of the humanitarian response
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: The usual process which the majority of funding is channelled to priority activities within the HRP. Funding permitting, at least two standard allocation processes are usually conducted during a year, based on Allocation Strategy Papers formulated under the leadership of the HC, supported by the NHF Advisory Board
  - Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies. For full process see, [website](#) and see the full [operational manual](#) to learn mor
- Contact: [ocha-nhf@un.org](mailto:ocha-nhf@un.org) and a list of other [contacts](#).

<b>Iraq Humanitarian Fund (IHF)</b>	<b>To support activities in line with the <a href="#">current Iraq HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC for Iraq to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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The IHF facilitates timely resource mobilization for the most critical humanitarian needs as defined by the [current HRP](#), while retaining flexibility to allocate funds to unforeseen emergency needs and critical gaps as they emerge.

- Eligibility:
  - National and international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - NGOs must undergo a capacity assessment to be eligible to receive funds. See [operational manual](#)
- Objectives:

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- Support life-saving and life-sustaining activities while filling critical funding gaps
- Promote needs-based assistance in accordance with humanitarian principles
- Strengthen coordination and leadership primarily through the HC function and by leveraging the cluster system
- Improve the relevance and coherence of humanitarian response by strategically funding priorities as identified under HRP
- Expand the delivery of assistance in hard-to-reach areas by partnering with national and international NGOs
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: Most of the funds will be allocated through this to ensure funding for priority projects in line with the HRP, usually occurring twice a year after the launch of the annual HRP and following the HRP mid-year review
    - HC publishes an allocation strategy that specifies the sectors and activities eligible for funding. The IHF Advisory Board reviews and endorses the allocation strategy paper. [The 2019 Strategy allocation paper](#)
  - Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies
- **Contact:** Management of the IHF and allocation strategies: David White, Pooled Fund Manager [whited@un.org](mailto:whited@un.org)

<a href="#">Occupied Palestinian Territory Humanitarian Fund (oPt HF)</a>	<b>To fund activities in line with <a href="#">the current HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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Aligned to support the delivery of strategic humanitarian response identified under [the current HRP](#) while retaining the flexibility to allocate funds to unforeseen events or special requirements.

- Eligibility:
  - National and international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - NGOs must undergo a capacity assessment to be eligible to receive funds. See [operational manual](#)
- Objectives:
  - Support life-saving and life-sustaining activities while filling critical funding gaps
  - Promote needs-based assistance in accordance with humanitarian principles
  - Strengthen coordination and leadership primarily through the function of the HC and by leveraging the cluster system
  - Improve the relevance and coherence of humanitarian response by strategically funding priorities as identified under the HRP
  - Expand the delivery of assistance in hard-to-reach areas by partnering with national and international NGOs
- Two modalities:



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- Standard: Most of the funds will be allocated through this to ensure funding for priority projects in line with the HRP, usually occurring twice a year after the launch of the annual HRP and following the HRP mid-year review
- Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies
- Contact: Saad Abdel Haq - oPt HF Manager / OCHA E-mail: [abdel-haq@un.org](mailto:abdel-haq@un.org)

<b>Myanmar Humanitarian Fund (MHF)</b>	<b>Funds activities in alignment with the <a href="#">current Myanmar HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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The MHF can provide urgent response in all humanitarian sectors and in all geographical areas of Myanmar on the basis of the identified humanitarian needs. However, the MHF will pay special attention to cluster/sector priorities described in the [current Myanmar HRP](#).

- Eligibility:
  - National and international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - NGOs must undergo a capacity assessment to be eligible to receive funds. See [operational manual](#)
- Objectives as outlined in the [2019 MHF Strategy](#)
  - Address acute unmet emergency needs
  - Fill highest priority gaps in protracted crisis situation;
  - Prevent a worsening of the situation and increased vulnerability
  - Respond to new emergencies or sudden-onset disaster
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: Most of the funds will be allocated through this to ensure funding for priority projects in line with the HRP
    - Two standard allocation processes would normally be conducted during a year, based on allocation [strategy papers](#) formulated under the leadership of the UN HC, supported by the MHF Advisory Board.
  - Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies
- Contact: General Inquiries [MHF-Myanmar@un.org](mailto:MHF-Myanmar@un.org), and [further contacts](#)

<b>Lebanon Humanitarian Fund (LHF)</b>	<b>To fund activities in line with the <a href="#">Lebanon Crisis Response Plan (LCRP)</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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Aligned with the [Lebanon Crisis Response Plan \(LCRP\)](#), the fund is a predictable and complementary source of humanitarian financing, making timely and flexible funding available for life-saving humanitarian and critical stabilization activities.

- Eligibility:
  - UN agencies, NGOs, the Red Cross/Crescent and organizations providing support to activities under the framework of the LCRP

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- NGOs must undergo a capacity-assessment process. See [operation manual](#).
- Objectives:
  - Assisting vulnerable Lebanese communities
  - Responding in a timely manner to any unforeseen humanitarian emergency
  - Addressing the challenges of underfunded sectors and ensuring the continuity of services provided to the most vulnerable
  - Empowering national NGOs and increasing their outreach
  - Ensuring a reserve fund for emergency issues, in line with the Lebanon Interagency Contingency Plan
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: Funds priority projects in line with the LCRP. Allocations usually occur once (after the launch of the LCRP) or twice (following the LCRP mid-year review). The HC publishes an allocation strategy
    - The [2019 allocation overview](#) demonstrates the need for psychosocial support for various groups
  - Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies
- Contact: Anne-France White, Head of Office ad interim - email: [white5@un.org](mailto:white5@un.org) and Magalie Salazar, Fund Manager, email: [salazar@un.org](mailto:salazar@un.org)

<b>Ukraine Humanitarian Fund (UHF)</b>	<b>To fund activities in line with <a href="#">the current HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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The UHF to fund coordinated humanitarian action, in line with [the current HRP](#), and to address some of the most critical needs which are of strategic priority and which would otherwise go unfunded. The need for MHPSS is mentioned quite frequently in the HRP.

- Eligibility:
  - UN agencies, national and international NGOs, the Red Cross/Crescent and organizations providing support to activities under the framework of the LCRP
    - NGO must undergo a capacity-assessment process
- Expected Outcomes:
  - Robust use of the strategic and operational priorities outlined in the HRP, focusing particularly on NGCA (Government and non-Government Area) and the areas close to the 'contact line'
  - Increased alignment of funding to areas of operational priority - both geographical and activity-wise - thereby ensuring that the overall operation is optimized in its impact
  - Strengthened efforts to enhance the operational access, profiling and outreach of NGOs to diversify and increase operational response capacity and coverage
  - The delivery of an agile and timely response including by providing an opportunity for early action



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- An effective and efficient use of resources by minimizing transaction costs and providing accountability and transparency with partners thoroughly assessed and projects monitored with reporting on achievements
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: To fund activities in line with the HRP
    - The Humanitarian Financing Unit (HFU) will prepare an allocation strategy to be released soon (check [website](#))
    - The Advisory Board (AB) will develop all strategies for funding allocations
  - Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies
- Contact: Check [website](#).

<b>Pakistan Humanitarian Pooled Fund (PHPF)</b>	<b>To fund activities in line with <a href="#">the current HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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Aimed to support the delivery of priority humanitarian needs identified through joint planning and an inclusive and field-driven decision-making process, whilst retaining the flexibility to allocate funds to unforeseen events or special requirements. For further information, see [2018 annual report](#)

- Eligibility:
  - UN agencies, national and international NGOs, the Red Cross/Crescent and organizations
    - the PHPF is the key humanitarian funding window for many Pakistani NGOs. NGOs must go through a capacity assessment
- Objectives:
  - Support life-saving and life-sustaining activities while filling critical funding gaps
  - Strengthen coordination and leadership primarily through the function of the HC and by leveraging the cluster system during transition
  - Improve the relevance and coherence of humanitarian response by strategically funding priorities as identified under the HRP
  - Expand the delivery of assistance in hard-to-reach areas by partnering with national and international NGOs
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: Allocation strategies are developed based on the priorities and criteria in the HRP. The HC and Advisory Board develop
  - Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies
- Contact: Tanvir Elahi Khan, Fund Manager [khan109@un.org](mailto:khan109@un.org) See [website](#) further contacts.

<b>Jordan Humanitarian Fund (JHF)</b>	<b>To fund activities set out in the <a href="#">Jordan Response Plan (JRP)</a>, and also <a href="#">the current Syria HRP</a>. NGOs should engage with the HC to advocate for funds to be directed to MHPSS projects.</b>
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The fund was established to respond to the Syria Crisis. It funds activities set out in the Jordan Response Plan (JRP), and also the current Syria HRP, addressing the humanitarian needs in southern Syria in case of direct funding support for cross-border operations.

- Eligibility:
  - National NGOs, international NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent societies and UN agencies
    - JHF prioritizes the response for refugees in host communities
    - NGOs must undergo a capacity-assessment process. See [operational manual](#)
- Objectives:
  - To improve humanitarian response by increasing the allocation of funding to priority humanitarian needs through an inclusive and coordinated process at the field level
  - To strengthen the leadership of the HC
  - To contribute to the delivery of the JRP within the context of the Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC) and the HRP for Syria
  - To strengthen the local capacity to implement urgent life-saving activities, with a preference to local NGOs' capacity
- Two modalities:
  - Standard: Through a call for proposals which is issued twice a year, usually in March and August
  - Reserve: Unforeseen emergencies
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<p><b><a href="#">UN Sustainable Development Framework Fund for Pakistan (2018-2022)</a></b></p>	<p><b>To support investment in SDG acceleration in-country and for programmes that support the humanitarian-development nexus. Focuses on joint-initiatives. Overall management of the fund is done by the Resident Coordinator.</b></p>
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The UNSDF Fund for Pakistan is a common fund mechanism to mobilize and allocate additional resources at the country level to fund activities under the UNSDF/OPIII (the UN Sustainable Development Framework)

- Expected outcomes of the UNSDF OPIII **[highlighted are most relevant to MHPSS]:**
  - Economic Growth (Outcome 1): By 2022 the people in Pakistan, especially key populations including those who are unskilled, benefit from improved inclusive and sustainable economic growth, progress towards full access to energy, and fair-trade practices
  - Decent Work (Outcome 2): By 2022 the people in Pakistan, especially women and youth, have improved access to productive livelihoods, income opportunities and decent work

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- **Health and WASH (Outcome 3): By 202, the people in Pakistan, especially the most vulnerable and marginalized, have access to, and benefit from, improved universal health coverage, including sexual and reproductive health, and equitable WASH services**
- Nutrition (Outcome 4): By 2022, children, adolescent girls and boys, pregnant and lactating women, the elderly and persons with disabilities have improved dietary intake, feeding and care practices, resulting in improved nutritional status, while reducing stunting and other forms of undernutrition.
- Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture (Outcome 5): By 2022 the people of Pakistan, especially the most vulnerable and marginalized populations, have improved availability of, access to, and consumption of safe, nutritious and sufficient food, while promoting sustainable agriculture to achieve zero hunger
- Resilience (Outcome 6): By 2022 the resilience of the people in Pakistan, especially key populations, is increased by addressing natural and other disasters, including climate change adaptation measures and the sustainable management of cultural and natural resources
- Education and Learning (Outcome 7): By 2022, children and youth will have enhanced, equitable and inclusive access to, and benefit from, quality learning opportunities
- Gender, Equality and Dignity (Outcome 8): By 2022 government institutions will have increased accountability towards gender equality commitments and social, economic, cultural and political rights
- Governance (Outcome 9): By 2022 the people in Pakistan will have increased knowledge of their rights and improved access to more accountable, transparent and effective governance mechanisms and rule of law institutions.
- **Social Protection (Outcome 10): By 2022 improved and effective social protection systems will be available for all, particularly for the most vulnerable and marginalized populations**
- Eligibility:
  - Used to fund joint initiatives based around the UNSDF/OPIII
  - All Participating UN Organizations that have signed the MoU are eligible to receive funds
    - Implementing Partners such as NGOs involved in the UNSDF/OPIII will have access to the UNSDF Fund through the Participating UN Organizations
- Full [ToR](#)
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