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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS No. 2024/01/AC/CNJC OF 09 July 2024 FOR THE SELECTION OF 800 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN (REFUGEES, DISPLACED PERSONS, HOST COMMUNITIES) AND YOUTH GROUPS FOR TRAINING IN SOCIAL, CREATIVE OR CO-OPERATIVE ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOR THE PBF-PRONEC-REAMORCE PROJECT.

## 1. Background:

The Government of Cameroon, in an effort to contribute to the development and well-being of young people, recognising the fundamental role that young people can play in the preservation of peace, promotion of harmonious coexistence and sustainable peace, has set up, among others, the National Civic Education Programme through Moral, Civic and Entrepreneurial Rearmament "PRONEC- REAMORCE". This programme is being implemented with the support of the United Nations Peacebuilding Fund (PBF) through a project called "Support for the implementation of the national civic education programme for the consolidation of peace, peaceful cohabitation and living together in crises-affected communities in Cameroon" (PBF-PRONEC-REAMORCE).

The overall aim of the PBF-PRONEC-REAMORCE project is to boost the participation of young women and men from crisis-affected communities in Cameroon in peace-building by strengthening civic and citizenship education as well as entrepreneurial skills. It aims to help build peaceful relations between members of the same communities on the one hand, and between members of host communities, internally displaced persons and refugees on the other, in an environment where policies better address youth issues. The project targets 40 municipalities in the regions of Adamawa, Centre, Far-North, East, Littoral, North, South and West Cameroon. The project is being implemented in Cameroon by four United Nations agencies that are direct beneficiaries of PBF funds: the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO); the International Labour Organisation (ILO); the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the United Nations Women's Organisation (UNWOMEN).

The ILO, which is primarily responsible for implementing outcome 2 of the project, i.e. "Sustainable peace and community living are promoted by strengthening the technical and entrepreneurial skills of young women and men, including vulnerable people", is working in partnership with the Cameroon National Youth Council (CNYC), the umbrella body for youth associations and movements in Cameroon, to "select 800 young men and women (refugees, displaced persons, host communities) for training in social, creative or cooperative entrepreneurship to promote peace initiatives". Hence this call for applications. At the end of the selection and training process, the ILO will support around 150 young people whose projects are deemed relevant to peace-building in their localities.

### 2. Eligibility criteria

### 2.1 Natural persons

- Be a young person aged between 15 and 35 years, or a duly legalised youth association;
- Residing in one of the beneficiary municipalities;
- Be the bearer of a project promoting harmonious living together in the sector or one of the sectors selected for the region or municipality;
- Be able to read and write and make simple calculations;
- Be a vulnerable young person, refugee, displaced person or member of the host community...

### 2.2 Groups (Associations, cooperatives, ....)

- Be a legalised group;
- Have a verifiable head office in one of the municipalities hosting the Project;
- Be led by a young man or woman,
- Have more than one young member,
- Have a project that promotes harmonious living together in the sector or one of the sectors selected for the region or municipality;
- Demonstrate that the group operates smoothly.

NB/ Applications from young women and groups are strongly encouraged.

## 3. Geographic and sector-based targeting

No.	Regions (08)	Municipalities (40)	Selected sectors *	Number of places/region
1	Adamawa	Meiganga, Dir, Djohong, Ngaoui	Maize, cassava	80
2	Centre	Makenene	Maize	20
3	East	Gari-Gombo, Yokadouma, Kentzou, Kette, Ndélélé, Batouri, Ouli, Garoua-Boulaï, Bertoua, Bétaré Oya, Manjou, Ngoura,	Cassava, maize	240
4	Far North	Maroua, Logone Birni, Fotokol, Makari, Yagoua, Nguéré, Kaélé, Mora, Mokolo	Rice, maize, sorghum	180
5	Littoral	Bonalea, Dibombari, Manjo, Yabassi, Douala IV <sup>e</sup>	Cassava, pepper, plantain	100
6	North	Guider, Figuil	Maize	40
7	West	Kékem, Dschang, Bangourain	Maize	60
8	South	Kyé-ossi, Ambam, Zoétélé, Campo	Cassava, NTFPs(Non Timber Forest Products)	80

<sup>\*</sup>The above sectors were selected following diagnostic studies on young people's aspirations and decent jobs, gender promotion and opportunities for peace-sensitive value chains, in order to inform youth capacity building of young in the municipalities.

## 4. Application form:

#### 4.1 Natural persons

- A duly-filled application form (model attached), to be obtained from the Subdivisional Youth Affairs Delegation or the National Youth Council in the municipality concerned;
- A photocopy of the birth certificate;
- A photocopy of the national identity card;
- A photocopy of the certificate of registration with the National Youth Observatory;
- A photocopy of the Biometric Youth Card or its receipt;
- A photocopy of the highest diploma/attestation of apprenticeship if possible;
- A letter of recommendation signed by a member of the community of exemplary character;
- A certificate of residence;
- Any additional relevant document attesting to the applicant's entrepreneurial experience (certificate, attestation, projects set up and/or financed, etc.).

### **4.2. NB** In the case of a young refugee, please consider the following specificities, the rest remaining unchanged:

- The photocopy of the refugee card will take the place of the photocopy of the birth certificate and the photocopy of the national identity card;
- The letter of recommendation must be signed by a UNHCR official;

#### **4.3 Groups** (Associations, cooperatives.....)

- A duly completed application form (model attached), to be obtained from the Subdivisional Youth Affairs Delegation or the National Youth Council in the municipality concerned;
- Document proving the legal existence of the group;
- Provide information on the address of the head office (P.O Box, phone, e-mail, website if possible) and on the first person in charge (full name, title, phone, e-mail);
- Recent activity reports and financial statements of the group;
- A letter of recommendation signed by a member of the community of exemplary character;
- Any additional relevant document attesting to the group's entrepreneurial experience (certificate, attestation, projects set up and/or financed, etc.).

## 5. Submission of applications

Completed application files must be submitted in sealed envelopes to the Municipal Executive Offices of the National Youth Council and the Subdivisional Delegations of Youth Affairs and Civic Education (DAJEC) no later than **26 July 2024 at 3:00 p.m.** 

Sealed envelopes containing application files should bear the words: "CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE SELECTION OF 800 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN (REFUGEES, DISPLACED PERSONS, HOST COMMUNITIES) AND YOUTH GROUPS FOR TRAINING IN SOCIAL, CREATIVE OR COOPERATIVE ENTREPRENEURSHIP (BIT, UN WOMEN)".

### 6. Evaluation criteria

Application files will be assessed on:

- the relevance of the project or project idea,
- the contribution to promoting peace and harmonious coexistence,
- the potential for job creation and contribution to local development,
- the innovative nature of the project.

# 7. Selection process and publication of the list of young people selected

The selection process will be as follows:

N°	Task	deadline
1	Submission of application files to the local CNYC	26 July 2024
	bureaus and to Youth Affairs and Civic Education	
	Subdivisional Delegations	
2	Compilation of candidatures by the CNYC's	30 July 2024
	Municipal Executive Bureaus	
3	Transmission of application files to the National	2 August 2024
	President of the CNYC	
4	National workshop to evaluate and select	5 August 2024
	applications	
5	Publication of the list of youths/youth groups	12 August 2024
	selected	

## 8. More Information

For more information, please visit the CNYC website at <a href="www.cnjcnyc.info/fr/">www.cnjcnyc.info/fr/</a> Contact: 678 52 86 47 / 6 90 43 13 48 / 699 31 58 68

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