CALL FOR PROPOSALS CERV-2024-CHILD

Questions and Answers (Q&A)

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Objectives — Themes and priorities — Activities that can be funded	
Children's mental health Embedding a rights of the child perspective in actions at nationa Children's engagement and participation Understanding democratic rights, which starts in childhood	al and local level
 TARGET GROUP (AGE): Children under the European Union understanding, or for this call in particular, are considered to be what age? 1-18 years? Is 0-5 also a target age group? Different AGE means that we have to target more than 1 age? 	As laid down in the <u>UN Convention on the Rights of the Child</u> (UNCRC), a child means every human being below the age of eighteen years old . <u>https://www.ohchr.org/en/instruments-mechanisms/instruments/convention-rights-child</u> 0-5 can also be a target age group, but of course the activities need to be adapted accordingly. It is not necessary to focus on different ages, but if you do, please remember that activities should always be age-specific.
Could we address two (2) priorities within the same proposal? // Do we have to choose only one of the four points explained? // A project needs to address how many priorities ?	The project needs to focus on one of the 4 priorities // Projects should reply to one priority only, although there might be interlinks with the topics of the other priorities.
Can trainers/educators/teachers be a target group?	Yes teachers/educators can also be a target group

Can customisation of online tools be funded?	Priority 4 states that the creation or development of new online games or applications will not be funded under this call. But an online consultation process for children or online campaign can be.
An alternative country report on the situation of respect for	A report, including an alternative/country specific report with a purpose to submit it to the
the rights of the child, can receive funding on this call?	UNCRC can be funded, as long as it is necessary for the development of practical activities
	clearly responding to one of the call priorities. But it should not be the purpose of the project
	itself and its scope should be aligned with the action.
For priority 4 : When working with very young children (0 to	Priority 4 focuses on enhancing the understanding of democratic rights amongst children. It
6): Which children's rights should we focus on? Democratic rights translated to their age might include the right of free	is therefore linked to several rights including the right for children to participate, to express
speech and opinion and right to participate.	themselves freely and to have access to information.
For children participation priority - could the proposal focus	Yes, proposals can focus on designing and testing new participation mechanisms, if similar
on design and testing participation mechanisms or they mechanisms have to be already existing?	structures do not already exist. As mentioned in the call, projects need to avoid duplicating
	existing structures at national or local level, but rather complement and support the activities
	already undertaken or planned at local and national level.
Can the proposal focus on setting up or supporting existing	Yes, this is possible but please note that the starting date will be after grant signature
child participation?	(retroactive activities are normally not eligible) - see point 10 of the call document
Does the term "participation" refer to areas of policy and democracy in first instance, OR will projects that foster participation of children/young people in (scientific) knowledge production and in science knowledge circuits - eg. citizen science - also be fundable?	It is difficult at this stage to assess the relevance of a project or an activity. This will be assessed at evaluation stage. However, the concept of children's participation is well explained in the call document under priority 3 (page 9). As mentioned in the <u>EU Strategy on the Rights of the Child</u> , child participation is the right for children to be heard in all matters that concern them and to have a say in decisions that affect them, such as in schools, in sports, culture and other leisure activities, in justice and migration systems or the health-care sector, as well as in families. The type of activities is also clarified at page 10 of the call for proposals.

Children from women that are victims of gender violence and are supported in social housing can be supported?	Yes, all children and in particular children in vulnerable situations can be considered in the
	focus of the proposals.
Could you please clarify the difference in the objectives	Priority 3- Children's engagement and participation: This priority aims to give children the
between priorities no 3 and 4 ?	opportunity to engage and to have their say in matters that concern them via the
	establishment or strengthening of inclusive and systemic child participation mechanisms at
	local and national levels (see an example at EU level with the EU Children's Participation
	Platform European Union (europa.eu).
	Priority 4- Understanding democratic rights, which starts in childhood: This priority is about
	engaging children in discussions and activities about democracy and democratic rights and
	the democratic process, through the development of educational activities on these topics.
	The overall idea behind this priority to encourage civic engagement for children as foreseen
	in the CERV Work Programme 23/24.
	Both priorities refer to child participation, but priority 3 focuses on setting up structures and
	environment for children to be able to exercise their right, while priority 4 looks at a specific
	aspect of civic and democratic life.
Are environmental rights and eco anxiety a focus that could be	Certainly, these issues are relevant across several priorities of the call (in particular mental
accepted?	health and children's participation).
When you refer to beneficiary , what do you have to specify	In contractual terms, in a multi-beneficiary grant, beneficiaries are the members of a
there? An institution (ie a school) or a target group (ie 14-16 years old?).	consortium (coordinator + partners). "Beneficiary" or "ultimate beneficiary" may also mean
	the group that will ultimately benefit from the project's activities (in this case children). The
	"target group" is the group which will be directly engaged in or targeted by the project

	activities. This can be for example teachers for training activities or children for participatory
	activities.
Do you have target of how many projects per priority ? or is it the best ones overall regardless of balance of numbers of funded projects per priority?	There is no specific target on number of projects per priority.
As education - neither formal or non-formal - is nowhere mentioned under priority 3 and 4.	Educational toolkits are mentioned. Please refer to page 14 of the Call document. Other eligibility criteria.
Activities that can be funded (scope)	
	good practices, cooperation and networking; • Dissemination and awareness raising, including g activities of national, regional and local authorities; • Training activities and awareness raising , development of working methods and tools.
Are research activities funded?	Projects must be practical, with direct impact on target groups. There may be an element of initial investigations or analysis, but this should be limited and only if necessary for the implementation of the project (e.g. if previous research in the field is not yet available)
For priority 3, do we need to propose activities that directly engage with the EU Children Participation Platform?	Priority 3- Children's engagement and participation No. The <u>EU Children's Participation Platform European Union (europa.eu)</u> is a reference point, an example of a child participation that has been developed at EU level. Some activities of the Platform are implemented at the local levels (such as consultations with children). The activities should complement those implemented already by the platform, e.g. support local and civil society organisations in becoming a member of the platform and running its activities for children or engaging with new groups of children.

If we have a type of campaign that we carried in the past and we want to implement a new cycle of this campaign in 2025, would that be eligible or it has to be a new approach?	Retroactive activities carried out before the signature of the grant agreement will not be eligible. However, it is possible that a project builds on the results of a previous activity/campaign, without simply duplicating what has already been done.
For priority 4 : Is it possible to organize awareness raising events targeted to adults working with children? Or should the awareness raising activities only be targeted at children?	Awareness raising activities can address adults as well. However, as stated in point 2 of the call document, "the design and implementation of actions should be done in cooperation with children, to make sure that the action is well tailored to children's needs".
In fact, the project proposal for the 1st priority may include activities aimed at parents, guardians or teachers , for example of children with special needs/persons with disabilities?	Yes, this is possible
The question regarding the piloted activities is interesting and was not responded. Because the doubt is not if anything before the start of the grant agreement will be funded, but if the projects can build on pilots already in place .	Yes, projects can build on previously funded pilot activities or projects.
Are the environmental issues included among the democratic rights to which priority 4 refers?	As mentioned in the call, educational toolkits explaining the notions of democracy, the rule of law, fundamental rights and their interdependence can be developed under this priority.
If we have piloted an activity, and we would use the grant for the same activity, however we would perhaps widen the scope or implement some changes (lessons learnt from the pilot). Would this be eligible? Or would this be viewed as "activities started before signing the grant contract" and thus not eligible?	The grant is meant to finance new activities developed during the life-cycle of the project. These activities can build on existing experience, but we cannot finance what has been developed outside the life-cycle of the project.
Do the children have to be involved in the activity since they are the ultimate beneficiaries or is it enough that parents/guardians/teachers are involved in the activity? For priority 1	Even if children are not the target groups for all the activities of the project, we strongly encourage their participation in the project design and activities. As mentioned in the call document, projects should focus on making sure children are heard and engaged, in full respect of child protection safeguards.

Child participation Platform and Child Protection Policy (CPP)	
I would like to know with whom and how can we coordinate in	Please check the webpage that explains the membership criteria and the application process
order to be able to make use of the EU Children Participation Platform (for the implementation of surveys, meetings, etc.)	and get in touch with cpp@icf.com
Can you please make some examples on involvement and participation of early age children 0-5 in the proposal development? Is it ok if we engage parents?	Yes, parents can be involved in the action as mentioned in the call document.
I understand that the EU Children's Participation Platform is an important part in the third priority area. But I don't understand if, or how, you want us to include it in our projects? Could you please explain further?	Priority 3- Children's engagement and participation No. The <u>EU Children's Participation Platform European Union (europa.eu)</u> is a reference point, an example of a child participation that has been developed at EU level. Some activities of the Platform are implemented at the local levels (such as consultations with children). The activities should complement those implemented already by the platform, e.g. support local and civil society organisations in becoming a member of the platform and running its activities for children or engaging with new groups of children.
With reference to the EU children platform - if we want to use it in the project activities this is possible by registering the association that directly involves children?	The <u>EU Children's Participation Platform European Union (europa.eu)</u> works based on a Work Plan developed and approved by children. See the current one Plans and Strategies EU Children's Participation Platform (europa.eu). There is no possibility to "use" the platform for additional activities than the ones described in the Work Plan. It is however possible to apply for a membership which will offer children the possibility to benefit from the Platform's activities.
Will we be able to spread the results through the platform for children participation as well?	Relevance: extent to which the proposal matches the priorities and objectives of the call, () possibility to use the results in other countries (potential for transfer of good practices) ; potential to develop mutual trust/cross-border cooperation. It depends on the results, but the platform has its website and a regular newsletter to share relevant information with a wider public and its members. The Rights of the child team in DG JUSTICE also issues a regular newsletter with a section dedicated to EU-funded projects.
Is there a Template for public entities declaration on child protection?	The template on child protection requirements for public entities will be shared at Grant agreement preparation (GAP) with the pre-selected applicants. See Frequently asked question 21974 on the Funding &Tender Portal.

Regarding Child Protection Policy is there a template for the	There is no template for a Child Protection Policy. Please refer to the Keeping Children Safe
public entities declaration?	and see suitable example of CPP from Eurochild
	See also Frequently asked questions 21974 and 21975 on the Funding & Tender Portal.
Can an organisation become member of the platform if they	Please refer to the membership conditions of the Platform: https://eu-for-
don't work exclusively with children?	children.europa.eu/membership
Duration	
What is the maximum length of a project?	Maximum duration of a project is 24 months (see point 10 of the Call Document)
Eligibility	
In order to be eligible, the applicants must:	
a) Lead applicants and co-applicants must be legal entities (pub	plic or private bodies) or an international organisation.
b) Lead applicants must be non-profit making. Organisations w	hich are profit-oriented may apply only in partnership with public entities or private non-profit
organisations.	
c) Applicants must be formally established in one of the eligible	countries i.e.: - EU Member States (including overseas countries and territories (OCTs); - non-
EU countries: - countries associated to the CERV Programme	or countries which are in ongoing negotiations for an association agreement and where the
agreement enters into force before grant signature (list of parti	cipating countries).
Other eligibility criteria:	
Activities must take place in any of the eligible countries	es.
• The EU grant applied for cannot be lower than EUR 10	D 000.
• The project can be either national or transnational ; the	e application must involve at least two applicants (lead applicant and at least one co-applicant
not being affiliated entity or associated partner).	
Beneficiaries and affiliated entities must register in the	Participant Register — before submitting the proposal.
Eligible participants	
Are UN agencies eligible applicants or partner under this call?	Yes, international organisations are eligible as lead applicants or co-applicants as mentioned in point 6 of the call document
Could a County School Inspectorate apply for the call?	Public entities are eligible to apply (see point 6 of Call document)
Can enterprises apply, for example which offer trainings etc.?	Private for profit cannot be lead applicant, only co-applicant / partner
It is necessary for a profit company to apply together with public institutions ?	Private organisations can only be co-applicant/partner (see point 6 of the call document).

Can universities and/or municipalities apply as partner organization? Can a private university be the leading applicant?	Public universities and municipalities are eligible as lead applicant or co-applicant. Private universities can only be co-applicants.
Will only projects led by NGOs get 100% funding or could also a university be the lead applicant? Profit-oriented companies can only be co-applicants?	Public entities (including public universities) can either be lead applicant or co-applicant. Private for-profit entities can only be co-applicants (see point 6 of the call document). The co-funding rate for all the applicants is 90%
Can national partnerships apply? Is it possible to apply for a project on National Level? Are international projects prioritised over national ones?	As mentioned in the call document projects can be either national or transnational. Transnational projects are encouraged. Please note that applications must involve at least two applicants (lead applicant and at least one co-applicant not being affiliated entity or associated partner)
Is it possible to apply only for regional level ?	Yes, projects can be local, regional, national or transnational. The application must involve at least two applicants (lead applicant and at least one co-applicant not being affiliated entity or associated partner)
Is it possible to have associated partners who support	Associated partners can participate in the action but without the right to get grant money.
activities but do not manage budget?	They participate in the project without funding
What is the minimum of consortium/a participants?	Minimum 2 - one applicant and one co-applicant
Partners should be from different countries or they can be from the same country ?	Partners can be either from the same country or another eligible country.
Can a municipality be the lead applicant?	Yes, municipalities are public bodies and can apply as a lead applicant or co-applicant
Can municipalities apply as partner organization?	Yes, municipalities are public bodies and can apply as a lead applicant or co-applicant
Eligible countries See updated <u>list of non -EU countries</u>	
Could Albanian CSOs apply for the call? In the future will we have a contact National Contact Point In Albania?	Albania has confirmed interest to participate in the CERV programme. See updated <u>list of</u> <u>non -EU countries.</u> Their proposal, if selected for funding, can be supported, provided that the accession agreement of the third country enters into force before the signature of the grant agreement. If the country signs and ratifies the agreement, they will be asked to appoint a National Contact Point (NCP)
Can Bosnia participate in the call?	Bosnia has signed an association agreement to join the CERV programme and is now eligible. Please refer to the list of non -EU countries which is regularly updated
Is Serbia eligible to the call?	Serbia has signed an association agreement to join the CERV programme and is now eligible. Please refer to the <u>list of non -EU countries</u> which is regularly updated.

Is North Macedonia eligible to submit a project?	North Macedonia has expressed interest to participate in the CERV programme. Negotiations are ongoing. Please refer to the <u>list of non -EU countries</u> which is regularly updated Their proposal, if selected for funding, can be supported, provided that the accession agreement of the third country enters into force before the signature of the grant agreement. However, it is hard to judge whether they can be completed by the planned grant signature period. This means that we cannot guarantee that they will be eligible for funding, if awarded.
Is Ukraine eligible to the program?	Ukraine has confirmed interest to participate in the CERV programme. Please refer to the <u>list</u> of non -EU countries which is regularly updated. Their proposal, if selected for funding, can be supported, provided that the accession agreement of the third country enters into force before the signature of the grant agreement. However, it is hard to judge whether they can be completed by the planned grant signature period. This means that we cannot guarantee that they will be eligible for funding, if awarded.
Can UK organisations take part as subcontractors? Can UK be an associated partner , thus with no budget?	The UK has not expressed interest to participate in the CERV programme, therefore UK organisations cannot be applicants. However, UK organisations can be associated partners (or subcontractors). Associated partners can participate in the action but without the right to get grant money. They participate in the project without funding (see page 27 of the call document)
Is there a way for a University in Northern Ireland to participate as a partner? Maybe as a subcontractor?	See above
Switzerland partners could be associated?	Swiss organisations can be associated partners. Associated partners can participate in the action but without the right to get grant money. They participate in the project without funding.
Can an associated partner be from another country non EU? Can I involve non EU countries as Associated Partner (i.e.: Canada, Israel, USA?)	Yes, associated partners can be from non-EU-countries. Associated partners can participate in the action but without the right to get grant money. They participate in the project without funding.

Financial and operational capacity	
In case the CSO is small, or the EACEA considers it has not a	Operational capacity will be assessed during the evaluation. Please refer to page 17 of the call
strong financial capacity, is the financial guarantee required?	document: Operational capacity
	Applicants must have the know-how, qualifications and resources to successfully implement
	the projects and contribute their share (including sufficient experience in projects of
	comparable size and nature). This capacity will be assessed together with the 'Quality' award

	criterion, on the basis of the competence and experience of the applicants and their project teams, including operational resources (human, technical and other) or, exceptionally, the measures proposed to obtain it by the time the task implementation starts. If the evaluation of the award criterion is positive, the applicants are considered to have sufficient operational capacity
	Financial capacity of the private non-profit will be assessed. Please see page 17 of the call document. Applicants must have stable and sufficient resources to successfully implement the projects
	and contribute their share. Organisations participating in several projects must have sufficient capacity to implement all these projects.
	The financial capacity check will be carried out on the basis of the documents you will be requested to upload in the Participant Register during grant preparation (e.g. profit and loss account and balance sheet, business plan, audit report produced by an approved external auditor, certifying the accounts for the last closed financial year, etc). The analysis will be based on neutral financial indicators, but will also take into account other aspects, such as dependency on EU funding and deficit and revenue in previous years.
	If we consider that your financial capacity is not satisfactory , we may require: – further information
	 an enhanced financial responsibility regime, i.e. joint and several responsibility for all beneficiaries or joint and several liability of affiliated entities (see below, section 10) prefinancing paid in instalments
	 – (one or more) prefinancing guarantees (see section 10 of the call document)
	or – propose no prefinancing
	 request that you are replaced or, if needed, reject the entire proposal.
Which administrative and financial requirements applicants and partners must meet to apply?	See above and refer to point 7 of the call document

BUDGET	
Should we fill out the budget also in the project proposal or is it enough just to fill the detailed budget (excel sheet)?	You have to fill in the budget in the excel budget table and the requested amounts have to be encoded in section 3 "budget" of the application. Moreover, some elements of the budget as the staff efforts and subcontracting costs have to mentioned in the application. The narrative part of the application has to be consistent with the excel table. You should replicate the same amount of the budget table also in Part A (budget section).
You mentioned earlier that participatory budgeting for children is an activity that could be funded under this proposal. However, regranting or financial support for third parties is prohibited in this call. What is your suggestion, how can we properly plan the budget for the participatory budgeting pool?	We recommend to declare these costs under the category C3 Other goods, works and services – other and to specify details under the worksheet "comments".
What are eligible costs ? Restructure of buildings for social housing? // To host children in social housing with their mothers escaping gender violence can we budget costs related to restructuring the housing ?	In terms of eligible activities, please refer to section 2 of the call document.
To encourage children and families participation, can I put in the budget a " travel expenses refund " for families and children? Where does this fit within the lump sum excel? // The call is to encourage child participation. how can travel expenses for families not be ineligible cost? // Let me explain my previous question about the reimbursement for families, which I understand you will answer in written. One of the activities of your project will be a set of workshops with children. Given that the project needs to be no-discriminatory, we need to be able	You can declare these costs under the category C1 Travel, accommodation and subsistence. We recommend to give some additional information under the tab "any comments" to explain the purpose of these travel costs and justify the number of people traveling.

to sustain the participation of low income families with travel expanses reimbursement. So, to encourage children and families participation, can I put in the budget a " travel expenses refund " for families and children? Where does this fit within the lump sum excel? In the guidelines the following work packages are suggested: Management, administration and coordination - Communication and dissemination - Capacity building - Networking and knowledge	The number of work packages is not defined/limited. The work packages mentioned in the call are examples to guide you, but additional work packages may be added according to the activities foreseen in the project.
sharing. Do we need to propose at least 4 work packages? how many work packages are allowed ? how many are suggested?	
My question about co-financing: do all partners need to contribute with 10% co-financing, or can the overall 10% be distributed differently among the partners?	The Agency does not require any further information on the sources of co-financing.
Does the LUMP SUM type II imply that we do not budget financial officer days in the WP1?	There will be no financial reporting, but it does not prevent to have a financial officer to ensure the follow- up of the project
How can the remaining 10% be financed ? // Can personnel costs be used for the 10% own funds? // Can own staff hours be brought in for the remaining 10%? // The 10% that is cofinanced, do we need to specify somewhere what work package and to what amount we are cofinancing?	The EU granting authority does only provide a part of the funding of the action and the remaining parts must be financed from the beneficiary's own resources, income generated by the action (e.g. by selling results), or financial or in-kind contributions from third parties (e.g. grants from national or private funding programmes). Through the application of the funding rate (a percentage of the eligible cost), co- financing is ensured as the remaining no eligible cost will need to be covered from other sources. The Agency does not require any further information on the sources of co-financing.
What is volunteers unit cost ? How much can this cost be on the overall budget? // How do you calculate the cost for volunteers ? // What are Volunteers unit costs ?	The work of volunteers for the action (i.e. persons who freely work for an organisation, on a non- compulsory basis and without being paid) may be declared as personnel costs, if and as declared eligible in the call conditions, if they fulfil the general eligibility conditions and are calculated as unit costs in accordance with the method set out in Annex 2a. They:

Providing a certified financial statement mandatory for partners that request budgets of €100.000 and more is no longer mandatory? This is not completely clear in the model-GA. // Is a certificate of financial statements still a requirement for beneficiaries with a grant over a	 may not exceed the maximum amount for volunteers for the action (which corresponds to 50% of the total (ineligible and eligible) project costs and contributions estimated in the proposal) may not exceed the maximum amount for volunteers for each beneficiary set out in Annex 2 may not make the maximum EU contribution to costs higher than the total eligible costs without volunteers. Indirect costs for volunteers are declared ineligible. The unit costs can be found here : additional-information-on-unit-costs-and-contributions en.pdf (europa.eu) These units are expressed in daily rate. In the excel budget table, the unit costs have to be declared in months, you have to multiply the daily rate by 18 and declare the number of months. There will be no detailed financial reporting or audit certificate but the declaration of the percentage of completion for each work package.
specific amount? Why "lump sum 2"? Is there a lump sum 1? Different types of lump sums?	Yes, there are two types of lump sum. Type 1, the lump sum is fixed in the call for proposal. Example: x participants in a conference = amount x For type 2, you define the lump sum in your proposal
How do you evaluate the completion of the work package ? Is there flexibility in case of force majeure ?	If it is not possible to complete a work package by the end of the project due to technical reasons or force majeure, the beneficiaries may declare a partial work package. In this case, the lump sum share is paid partially, in line with the accepted degree of completion. This means that the amount reimbursed corresponds to the accepted part of the work package, which may be less than the part declared as completed by the beneficiaries. If the beneficiaries declare a work package incomplete at the end of the project due to other reasons, the work package may be rejected in full.
If the project is approved and the agreement with EACEA signed, will it be possible to receive an initial financing , or the organizations will need to advance expenses? // so does the payment arrives after the activities ? not before? //	There is a pre-financing payment of 80% Please see page 23 of the call document After grant signature, you will normally receive a prefinancing to start working on the project (float of normally 80% of the maximum grant amount; exceptionally less or no prefinancing). The prefinancing will be paid 30 days from entry into force/financial guarantee (if required) — whichever is the latest.

Payment after completion of WP means that we spend from our own money, report, wait for approval and then get the money? // Can you please explain how the LumpSum will be pay? // How many payments are foreseen? Pre-payment, then at interim for the completed WPs, and finally at final reporting? //	
I've been working on this excel sheet before, is it the same used by EACEA for the Erasmus+ KA3 EU Youth Together Call?	The principle is the same, but some categories of costs can be different.
Can the units have decimals (for staff costs for example)?	Yes, they can have decimals
In COST x UNIT we need to insert the yearly salary and in UNITS the number of months?	The unit is the number of months. The cost per unit is the annual costs divided by 12.
After adding the beneficiaries does the table automatically generates the B 002, sheets, or	When you have added the beneficiaries and the work packages, you have to click on "apply changes" in the table beneficiary list or work package list.
should we do it manually?	Please refer to the instructions tab where all the steps are described.
On the cost per unit of staff , should we put the	In the excel table (see instructions), 1 unit is 1 person-month.
amounts paid in each country, including all legal	For the cost per unit, please refer to the AGA page 48 aga en.pdf (europa.eu) to confirm what can be
costs, or do we have to calculate a monthly rate ?	included in the annual salary. This calculation has to be done on actual costs per person. Once the annual
In previous projects we had to calculate the daily	salary is calculated you divide it by 12 to define the monthly rate that has to be declared in the budget
rate.	table. If you have several persons under the same category, you have to calculate the cost unit average.
Before you said co-finance is 90% but now it was mentioned 80%. Could you clarify? //	EU co-financing to the project is up to 90% of the project amount. Pre-financing of 80% corresponds to the first payment.
So the final distribution will be: 80% pre-financed and 20% affected by LupSum II , correct?	
What happens if a WP is not completed (i.e.: partial implementation), and the reason is beyond our control?	If it is not possible to complete a work package by the end of the project due to technical reasons or force majeure, the beneficiaries may declare a partial work package. In this case, the lump sum share is paid partially, in line with the accepted degree of completion. This means that the amount reimbursed corresponds to the accepted part of the work package, which may be less than the part declared as

	completed by the beneficiaries. If the beneficiaries declare a work package incomplete at the end of the project due to other reasons, the work package may be rejected in full.
Can the cost amount for volunteers be included in 10% of beneficiaries' co-financing?	Yes
I noted the budget for this call has been increased from €3m to €12m. Does that mean that the successful applications would remain the same, but the projects would have a bigger budget? Or would there be a greater number of applications selected for funding, with an average budget remaining at the €300,000 mark?	This is an open call. It means that all applications will be evaluated. There is no maximum amount for the budget, so applications with a higher budget could be selected. Applications with the highest scores according to the award criteria will be selected up to the available budget of the call (12 M€).
Is there a maximum limit for the budget or an advisable limit? // what is the maximum grant size you would consider?	The minimum grant amount is 100.000 EUR but there is no maximum amount (see point 6 of the call document)
Could you please clarify again who seconded persons are? How should we consider independent experts who would contribute to the project?	'Seconded' means the temporary transfer of an employee from a third party (the employer) to the beneficiary. Seconded persons are still paid and employed by the third party, but work for the beneficiary. They are at the disposal of the beneficiary and work under its control and instructions. A secondment normally requires the seconded person to work at the beneficiary's premises, although in specific cases it may be agreed otherwise in the secondment agreement. See aga page 57 for more details <u>aga_en.pdf (europa.eu)</u>
If for same type of staff (eg senior manager) different PM-rates are to be applied in different partner countries, how is that allowed for in the xls template?	Each beneficiary has to fill in its own budget table. A Belgian beneficiary will declare its own staff and a German beneficiary will fill in its own budget table. If you have several persons working under the same category (see example here below), you have to calculate the average for the unit cost.
Where can we find the national coefficients for calculating finances for SME owners if they are partners in the project?	wp-2-msca-actions horizon-2021-2022 en.pdf (europa.eu) page 109

After adding a 2nd beneficiary on the Beneficiaries list, does the table automatically generates the B 002 sheet, or should we do it manually?	Yes, you need to o the steps are desc		apply changes" icon	. Please refer to th	ne instructions tab where all
Example – How to calculate the average unit cost	Junior Manager	Months spent on the project	Monthly salary	TOTAL	
	Α	6	4.500,00	27.000,00	
	В	8	4.000,00	32.000,00	
	С	4	4.200,00	16.800,00	
	D	12	3.000,00	36.000,00	
	TOTAL	30		111.800,00	
	Average	30	3.726,67	111.800,00	

Other	
Is there a map on the website with the location of all the initiatives/projects previously developed?	A map of the funded projects is not available.
Do you have any statistics on the applications submitted under this call in 2022?	Statistics are published on the Funding and Tender Portal for calls 2021 and 2022. For Child Call 2021 see statistics here under Topic updates, 7 projects were funded out of 126 proposals <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/cerv-2021-child?keywords=cerv&closed=true&pageNumber=2</u> Under Child Call 2022, 10 projects were funded out of 154 proposals <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/cerv-2022-child?keywords=cerv&closed=true&pageNumber=2</u>
Examples of ongoing projects (Call 2021):	Mentors under Together project are remunerated for their work

In the projects presented during the Info Session,	For more information on the Together project, please see the project webpage: <u>https://www.sos-</u>
are young mentors involved on a volunteering	childrensvillages.org/together
base?	The e-learning course developed within the project is available in English here:
	https://sosvirtual.aldeasinfantilessos.org/cursos-items/meaningful-child-and-youth-participation-in-
	public-decision-making/
If we apply for the CHILD24 call, can we apply to	It is possible for one organisation to submit proposals in several CERV calls for proposals. Such
another call under CERV programs?	organisations are however asked to be attentive to any possible duplication issues that might arise
	and to ensure that they have sufficient operational and financial capacity to implement the projects in
	case they are selected for funding. See specific Frequently Asked Question FAQ
Can a legal entity be a partner in more than one	Applicants may submit more than one proposal for different projects under the same call (and be
proposal?	awarded a funding for them). Organisations may participate in several proposals.
	BUT : if there are several proposals for very similar projects, only one application will
	be accepted and evaluated; the applicants will be asked to withdraw one of them (or
	it will be rejected) – See page 28 of the Call document
Which email shall we use to ask information about	For any information on the call, please use the following email address:
the budget filling while preparing an application?	EACEA-CERV@ec.europa.eu
	For help related to this call you may also contact the <u>CERV Contact Point of your country</u> .
	Please note that a specific session on how to submit an application under the CHILD24 call will be
	organised on 27 February 2024. For more information, see EACEA website or join directly the session
	<u>here</u> .
For countries that don't have a national contact	You can contact any of the <u>NCPs in the list</u> .
point like Ireland, who would you advise us to	
contact?	