



# COUNTRY DIRECTED FUND

## Competitive Call for Proposals

**Bridgetown, Barbados, 17 August 2023** -The Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency Coordinating Unit (CDEMA CU), with support from the European Union (EU), is inviting National Disaster Management Offices (NDMOs) and relevant national entities responsible for Comprehensive Disaster Management (CDM) implementation to apply for grants available through the Country Directed Fund (CDF). This Call for Proposals has been made possible through the Building the Resilience of the CARIFORUM States to Disaster Risks and Climate Change Impacts (BRICS) programme. Relevant national entities must apply through their local National Disaster Management Offices (NDMOs).

The CDEMA Participating States that are eligible to receive funding through the CDF are Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, The Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, The Republic of Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, The Republic of Suriname, and The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

The proposed initiative should: (1) be valued between 10,000 and 60,000 Euros, (2) support the CDM results articulated in the **National CDM Work Programme** that has been endorsed by the requisite governmental authority and accepted by CDEMA CU, and (3) identify intervention(s) that will be completed within twelve (12) months of disbursement of the funds, inclusive of the project closeout period.

The competitive Call for Proposals will cover projects that enhance capacity within CDEMA Participating States in the priority areas of (1) Enhanced Institutional Capacity; (2) Knowledge Management and Learning for CDM; (3) Sector Integration of CDM; (4) Enhanced Community Resilience; (5) Strategic Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation and Research; (6) Contingency Planning and Exercise Design and Testing; (7) Emergency Response Coordination; (8) Disaster Situational Awareness (Damage Assessment); (9) Information Management; (10) Disaster Risk Reduction; (11) National Disaster Management Organization Capacity Building; (12) DRR-related Information and Communication Technologies; and (13) Emergency preparedness and response support for hazard impacts (including outbreaks, epidemics, and pandemics such as COVID-19).

Proposals will be screened for eligibility, completeness, and linkages to the CDM Strategy 2014-2024 and the Country Work Programme. Only proposals which have satisfied the requirements



will be submitted for evaluation by the Grant Approval Board, which will review the application and make the final decision for granting the funds.

Applications should be submitted to the Executive Director, Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) Coordinating Unit by email at [cdema.cdfndf@cdema.org](mailto:cdema.cdfndf@cdema.org), or in hard copy to CDEMA Coordinating Unit, Suite #3, Building #1, Manor Lodge Complex, Lodge Hill, St. Michael, Barbados no later than **28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.**

Please see attached the following document:

- Guidelines for Applicants
- Application Form for projects valued in excess of 10K Euros and up to 60K Euros