



Expression of Interest: 22-204-GRA

ACP-EU Enhancing capacity for the sustainability of Cultural & Creative Industries in the Pacific

About HRSD and the Culture for Development Programme

The Human Rights and Social Development Division (HRSD) of the Pacific Community (SPC) has a vision for just, equitable and resilient Pacific societies and it aims to achieve this by advancing human rights, equality and social inclusion for all Pacific people, grounded in cultural values and principles. HRSD’s Culture for Development programme aims to ensure that cultural knowledge is protected and dynamic in development policy and programming and that skills and opportunities grow for income generation and sustainable livelihoods among women, young people, artists, and cultural producers.

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This is a 3-year project that began in 2021. It is worth 2.1 million Euros in grants offered in three categories. The Pacific community (SPC) is lead implementing agency in partnership with QUT. The grant scheme is open to ACP Pacific countries: Cook Islands, Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Timor Leste.

Category	Value
Small grant	€5,000 – €12,000
Medium grants	€12,001 - €70,000
Large grants	€70,001 – €180,000

This grant scheme is made possible with the financial contribution of the European Union and support of the secretariat of the Organization of African, Caribbean, and Pacific states.

About the grant scheme

The objectives of the project are to support National / regional development related to the CCIs, amplify Knowledge, research and learning on CCIs for capacity, programme, and policy development, enhance the skills of Artists and cultural producers and provide financial support to achieve intended grant outcomes. Projects supported under this grant scheme must align to one of the four thematic areas which include: The creation of high-quality goods and services, activities that increase access to national, regional and international markets, Visual literacy education and Access to sustainable financing. Please refer to the [Guidelines Document](#) for more information.

Eligibility and selection

Artists, cultural producers, NGOs/CSOs, institutions or organizations from the ACP Pacific countries may submit an expression of interest. Please refer to the [Guidelines Document](#) provided to review the detailed eligibility criteria for the different categories of grant funding.

How to submit

Expressions of Interest are to be submitted via the Microsoft platforms by July 31, 2022. **The Call for Expressions of Interest will open on July 1, 2022 and will close on July 31, 2022 at 11.59 p.m Fiji Time.** Link to [ACPEU Expressions of Interest online form](#).

Should you have any difficulty in accessing the form, please contact us on culturegrants@spc.int. Based on these Expressions of Interest received, shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend information sharing sessions and pre-application capacity building support workshops before a Call for Proposals is made.

Please note: An important eligibility criterion requires that applicants submit an Expression of Interest AND attend a mandatory Information Sharing session.

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