



## INDEPENDENT DEVELOPMENT FUND (IDF)

Reference: IDF/CALL FOR PROPOSALS 7

**Title: Supporting Civil Society in Uganda to promote and protect Human Rights and Good Governance principles and Practices.**

Independent Development Fund (IDF) is a non-political, non-governmental, not-for-profit grant mechanism for supporting civil society organizations in Uganda. It is set up to deliver a range of support services to Ugandan civil society organizations as a means of strengthening their capacities to effectively contribute to the country's human rights, civil rights, good governance and poverty reduction efforts.

IDF's response is in line with the provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of Uganda 1995, as amended which guarantees fundamental and other human rights freedoms. IDF will provide grants and grant management support to local level CSOs working through projects with interventions focused at enhancing protection, fulfilment and promotion of essential human rights and good governance practices to impact on individual lives as well as bring about the desired community changes for the most pressing social needs.

IDF is launching a Call for Proposals to award Grant contracts for actions aimed at building civic competence, access to recourse/redress mechanisms and enhancing social accountability using human rights based approach.

### **Who is Eligible?**

Ugandan small and medium organisations whose annual budget turnover is below one (1) billion Uganda Shillings for the last two years. Organisations must have physical presence and operations at district level, be duly registered as Ugandan CSOs, NGOs, CBOs and Civil Society Networks in Uganda including human rights groups and agencies, grass root organisations, women associations, youth organisations, development oriented faith based organisations, cultural associations, professional associations and organisations dealing with the marginalized.

### **Key Result Areas:**

Proposals should address KRAs 1 and KRAs 2 under only one category of either Lot 1 Human Rights or Lot 2 Good Governance.

### **Lot 1: Human Rights and access to justice:**

#### **KRA1: Enhanced civic competence;**

Increase Human Rights awareness and monitor rights observance at the grassroots level on issues of land and property rights, child protection and gender based violence.

#### **KRA2: Access to recourse/redress mechanisms;**

Local innovations and social structures that provide fast response to address violations and eliminate barriers to access/ redress mechanisms with emphasis on utilisation of the Local Council Courts and other community structures for mediation and alternative dispute resolution for the marginalised groups, especially women and children.

### **Lot 2: Good Governance and Social Accountability;**

#### **KRA1: Increased engagement between rights holders and duty bearers;**

Increase participation and linkages between local communities and duty bearers to improve openness and accountability on priority community affairs resulting in tangible

improvements in the lives of men, women & children.

#### **KRA2: Enhanced social accountability;**

Lobby and advocate for enactment and enforcement of local ordinances/ bye- laws and local participation in budget processes and performance to promote social accountability, improved service delivery and greater integrity in the management of public resources.

#### **Size of Grants**

Maximum: \$65,000; Minimum: \$20,000

#### **Duration of Projects**

Proposed duration of project implementation under this Call will not be more than eighteen (18months)

#### **Application Process**

Applicants are required to submit both the concept note and full proposal at the same time. Download Guidelines for CfP7, application forms and other templates from IDF website: [www.idf.co.ug](http://www.idf.co.ug)

#### **Regional Awareness Sessions:**

IDF will hold regional awareness sessions open to all eligible applicants on application requirements at the specified dates and venues;

- Gulu	15 <sup>th</sup> March, 2016	Golden Peace Hotel
- Mbale	17 <sup>th</sup> March, 2016	Mt Elgon Hotel
- Masaka	22 <sup>nd</sup> March, 2016	Maria Flo Hotel

(No transport or any form of refunds will be provided and all sessions begin at 2:00pm)

**Deadline for Submission of Proposals: 7<sup>th</sup> April 2016, 4:00PM**

All applications must be submitted using the standard application form with all the required documents to the following address:

**The Executive Director,  
Independent Development Fund,  
Plot 18 off Martyrs Way, Ntinda- Kampala  
E-mail: [applications@idf.co.ug](mailto:applications@idf.co.ug)**