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Call for Expression of Interest for project implementation in Comoros, Madagascar, Réunion Island, and Seychelles

Purpose

Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung (Foundation), Southern Africa Office, solicits expression of interest from local NGOs/CSOs (Comoros, Madagascar, Réunion Island, Seychelles) interested in implementing climate justice projects in 2021. A selected candidate will receive a one-year contract to carry out the terms of reference provided below. The proposed project must adopt a progressive, movement-building approach.

About Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung

Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung is one of the six major political foundations in the Federal Republic of Germany. Since its founding in 1990, the Foundation's work has adhered to the legacy of its namesake, German socialist leader Rosa Luxemburg, and seeks to represent democratic socialism with an unwavering internationalist focus.

The foundation is committed to a radical perspective emphasizing public awareness, enlightenment and social critique. It stands in the tradition of the workers' and women's movements, as well as anti-fascism and anti-racism. It participates in cooperative development projects and advocates for a dialogue between the Global North and South conducted on equal footing.

This call is published by the climate justice programme at Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung Regional Office Southern Africa.

Climate Justice Approach of RLS in Southern Africa

Rapid global warming is causing unprecedented climate-related shocks in Africa and around the world: multi-year droughts, crop failures, severe water shortages, extreme weather events such as Cyclones Kenneth and Idai, day-zero (Cape Town), rising ocean temperatures...

This warming is caused by generalised and unrelenting anthropogenic emissions of dangerous gases, ecocide, hyperconsumerism, etc. exemplified by overfishing, plastic dumping in the oceans, coal power plants, oil and gas companies, supermarketisation, fast fashion, etc.

Experts (IPCC, etc.) agree that we must limit anthropogenic global warming below 1.5 degrees to protect the wellbeing of present and future generations.

It is for these reasons that Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung has committed to supporting organisations that adopt a climate justice approach to holding those who have caused and continue to cause global warming and environmental plunder accountable for their actions.

In this regard, we fund genuinely progressive, movement-building projects in the following areas:

- Advocacy for a just transition to green energy, especially in countries like South Africa where coal is still the main source of power.
- Protection of endangered marine species and habitats (coral reefs, sandy shores, mangroves, swamps and wetlands, etc.) from oil spills, overfishing, etc.
- Advocacy for national climate change bills and other related legislation for clean air, clean energy, etc.
- Promotion of radical solutions to keep warming below 1.5 degrees.
- Calling on those who bear the greatest responsibility for pollution and ecocide to pay for adaptation and mitigation activities: oil/gas companies, etc.
- Advocating for environmentally-responsive budgeting by national and state governments. Global warming is not something that will happen in the future – it is already happening now!
- Advocacy against mallification, supermarketisation, unrelenting paving of green spaces, etc.
- Promotion of progressive approaches for a critical mass of engaged, democratic socialist thinkers and activists.

Our priority focus area is the South West Indian Ocean.

It will take a collective effort by all stakeholders, public and private, to keep global warming below 1.5 degrees.

We explicitly reject all forms of greenwashing, i.e. (false solutions) and will not work with partners who promote this approach.

Application process and thematic area

RLS will review application files and select the preferred candidates. Short-listed candidates may be invited for an interview. Subsequently, it will appoint the most suitable candidate, and the second-best as alternate. All applicants will be informed of the outcome of the selection process.

Interested candidates are requested to submit applications by email to Roland Ngam (roland.ngam@rosalux.org), by 30 September 2020:

1. A project proposal of no more than four pages indicating a specific climate justice activity that they intend to implement in 2021. The four-page project proposal should include the proposed project, rationale, specific objectives, activities, implementation indicators, proposed budget;
2. A background document on their organisation, providing evidence that they possess a proven track record in implementing climate justice projects;
3. A brief employee profile providing evidence that they possess the required staff to do the work for which they shall be hired.

Please note that all communication, including reporting, accounting, etc. shall be conducted in English. All applicants should therefore have a fairly good command of the English language or at least have a colleague in the office who shall be responsible for all communication with RLS. Please contact Mr Roland Ngam for any inquiry.

Protection of data

All documents submitted by the applicant to RLS shall be regarded as private and confidential and shall be used only for the purpose for which they were intended.

We look forward to reviewing your application and thank you in advance for your interest.

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