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CALL FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR THE SELECTION AND FINANCING OF THIRTY (30) PROJECTS OF YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS FROM THE DIASPORA IN A JOINT VENTURE WITH THEIR LOCAL PEERS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS BETWEEN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND MINJEC THROUGH THE PROJECT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUARANTEE FUND FOR YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS (FOGAJEUNE)

1- Purpose and Context of the Call for Projects

This Call for Projects aims to promote entrepreneurship by young people of the Diaspora in Cameroon, in a joint venture with other seasoned and experienced young local entrepreneurs, through the "Diaspora and Local Youth Joint-Venture" (DIALYJ) platform. It is part of the implementation of the "Special Fund for the Diaspora" by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Civic Education (MINJEC), through the Project for the Implementation of the Guarantee Fund for Young Entrepreneurs (FOGAJEUNE), whose mission is to provide financial and non-financial services to young Cameroonian entrepreneurs, both local and from the Diaspora.

It covers agriculture, the digital economy, industry/handicrafts and technological innovation.

This call is in line with the "Guarantee Fund," which targets young local entrepreneurs, those from the diaspora and their joint-venture partners, who are already in business and are seeking substantial financing to expand their activity through a loan guarantee mechanism from partner Financial Institutions.

2- Eligibility criteria

The eligibility criteria are as follows:

- be aged between 15 and 35 at the most by 31 December 2024, in accordance with the African Youth Charter and the National Youth Policy;
- be a young man or woman of Cameroonian nationality;
- be registered on the National Youth Observatory (NYO) platform at www.onjcameroun.cm and hold a Biometric Youth Card (BYC);
- be co-applicants of a project that both generates income and creates jobs;
- be co-applicants of a business that has been legally established for at least three (03) years on the date of submission of their project and have been operational for at least three (03) years;
- have the financial capacity to raise a personal contribution, i.e. 10% in cash of the total cost of their project.

N.B.: Promoters must not be civil servants, private sector workers or professionals whose salary is above the Guaranteed Inter-Professional Minimum Wage (SMIG).

3- Application documents

- a stamped handwritten application addressed to the Minister for Youth Affairs and Civic Education;
- photocopies of the project owners' birth certificates;
- photocopies of the project owners' national identity card or passport;
- a photocopy of the Biometric Youth Card or the application receipt of the promoter who resides in Cameroon;
- a copy of the concept note for the joint venture candidates' project;
- a location plan of the company.

4- Application submission procedure

The submission procedure is subject to applicants providing a "concept note" that is structured as follows: application form, logical framework and budget. The resulting file should be printed and attached to the application file. The concept note is available on the **FOGAJEUNE, NYO, PARI-JEDI** and **Special Fund for the Diaspora** platforms at the following addresses: www.fonij.cm, www.onjcameroun.cm, www.parijedi.org and www.dialyj.cm.

Complete physical applications must be submitted by **13 october 2024** at the latest, to the MINJEC central mail service office or to its decentralised and attached departments, in an envelope labelled: for the selection and financing of thirty (30) projects by young entrepreneurs from the diaspora in a joint venture with their local peers within the framework of agreements between partner financial institutions and MINJEC through the project for the implementation of the Guarantee Fund for Young Entrepreneurs (FOGAJEUNE), and with a copy sent to the following e-mail address: contact@dialyj.cm.

N.B.: Any project submitted after the deadline will be automatically rejected.

Yaoundé, on **25 SEPT 2024**

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