Agenda – Webinar 3

- Eligibility criteria to apply for Direct Access for NGOs/CSOs
  - Types of Organisation
  - Registration (non profit) considerations
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  - Other considerations

- Q&A
Eligibility – Type of organisation

Types of eligible organisations:

Non-governmental organizations (NGO) or civil society organizations (CSO) that meet these principles:

• **Mandate:**
  – The organizations’ mandate and values must be guided by principles of human development

• **Association/ registration:**
  – The organization must be registered as a non-profit/charity or equivalent with the government (i.e. not as a for-profit)
  – Provide an explanation of the CSO’s legal structure, including the specific entity which will enter into the legal agreement with the MPTFO for the PBF grant
Registration (non profit) considerations

The organisation:
• Must be registered as a non-profit or equivalent at time of signing the agreement

Implementation
• If organization is directly implementing in country, must be registered in the country of implementation at the national level following local registration practices
• If organization is not directly implementing in country, its partners must be registered in the country of implementation

Duration/ renewal
• Registration should valid for the duration of the grant OR the registration is eligible for a standard renewal process as per local practices
Financial considerations (inc taxation)

Information needs to be for the country level, sufficient information is submitted to determine the following:

– Should have tax exempt status for income or surplus (i.e. no direct taxation of grant funds, or any residual at year-end).

Strong internal control environment and financially healthy

– Strong financial management demonstrated with no major internal control weaknesses

Grantee does not request funds in excess of their absorption capacity

– For the previous two calendar years, demonstrate an annual CSO budget in the country of proposed project implementation is at least twice the annualized budget sought from PBF.
Other considerations

• **Proposal must be developed in consultation with the government** in the country of implementation

• **Have received funding** from the PBF, UN, or any of the contributors to the PBF in the country of project implementation.

• An **annual report** that includes the proposed country for the grant.

• **At least 3 years of experience** in the country where grant is sought.