Gender budgeting

Checklist to guide the preparation of calls for project proposals

Step 1. Does the call make clear that the horizontal principle of gender equality must be part of the project’s analysis?

Managing authorities and monitoring committees should ask:

- Does the call for proposals clearly explain that the project will be evaluated based whether a gender analysis is included in the proposal (i.e. an analysis of the differences in women’s and men’s situations and needs)?

- Does the call for proposals specifically demand the inclusion of qualitative and quantitate data to describe gender-related trends or patterns?

- Does the call for proposals indicate that the proposal should refer to fund-specific, national or sub-national gender equality goals?

Step 2. Does the call explain that the horizontal principle of gender equality must be part of the project’s objectives and indicators?
Step 3. Does the call indicate that the horizontal principle of gender equality should be integrated in the project’s planned use of resources?

- Does the call for proposals explain that proposals must specify how resources will be used to promote gender equality?
- Does the call make clear that proposals should explain how the project will enhance equal access to resources, services and investments by women and men among the target groups?

Step 4. Does the call specify that the project team should include gender competence?

- Does the call for proposals indicate what role internal gender competence, or budgeting for external gender expertise, will play in project selection?
- Does the call make clear whether, and to what degree, gender competence is a requirement in training and evaluation procurement processes?
Step 5. Does the call explain that gender equality must part of the project’s monitoring and evaluation?

- Does the call for proposals ask for a description of how the project will monitor and assess gender equality objectives/results/effects, and how it will apply corrective measures?
- Does the explain that any proposal must define how it will evaluate gender equality objectives and results?