



Funding at a Glance

Hospital Partnerships – Partners Strengthen Health

The funding programme **Hospital Partnerships – Partners Strengthen Health** is financed by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Else Kröner-Fresenius-Stiftung. Its aim is to support partnership projects implemented between German organisations in the health sector and partners in low- and middle-income countries.

What makes a good partnership?

Commitment of both partners is key for successful project partnerships. Partners cooperate and share the responsibility for project implementation. Key partnership factors include:

- Long-term **peer-to-peer communication and learning**, based on **trust and transparency**.
- **Knowledge transfer** about symptoms of diseases, treatment options, technologies and procedures, to the benefit of both partners.
- Focus on **needs in the partner country** and **adaptation to local structures**, integrating **key actors in the partner country** (e.g. alignment with the national health strategy and coordination with the ministry of health/other authorities).
- Compliance with **ethical principles**, including provision of adequate medical care, respect for the patient's autonomy and consideration of gender aspects.

Who can apply?

German applicants submit applications for funding in cooperation with their project partners:

- **Public entities and non-profit organisations** in Germany are eligible to apply.
- **Qualified staff** in both partner organisations are responsible for the implementation of the project.
- A **long-term institutional partnership** is already established or envisaged
- Partnership projects in **low- or middle income countries**, as defined in the [OECD-DAC](#) criteria.
- The **partner organisations** involved (legal entity or legal person) must offer **public health services** and use medically relevant measures. The partnership aims at improving the health situation in the partner country, as defined by the [Sustainable Development Goal 3](#).
- **Non-eligible** for funding are organisations that offer professional education and training exclusively (such as universities and vocational schools) and do not provide health services. Similarly, we cannot provide support in setting up professional associations.

What kind of funding do we offer?

We support **partnership projects** with up to **Euro 50,000** for a maximum period of **two years**. The amount of funding depends on the scope of the interventions and the needs of the partner institution:

- **Travel costs** (e.g. flights, accommodation, meals, visas, insurance, conference fees)
- **Training costs** (e.g. room rental, training resources, translations, catering during trainings, honoraria for external trainers)
- **Materials and equipment**: up to 30% of the total requested amount (e.g. equipment, consumables, refurbishment costs)
- **Administrative costs of 5%** of the other requested budget items.
- **Not eligible** for funding are: human resource costs (salaries), major construction activities and research activities. Funds cannot be passed on to third parties.

- **Funding agreements** are awarded by GIZ GmbH in form of subsidies. The legal basis is Annex 2 to the Administrative Procedure No. 5.1, concerning Section 44 of the Federal Budget Code (BHO) - General Auxiliary Conditions for Project Grants (ANBestP).

How are partnership projects selected?

*The programme supports **sustainable partnership projects** that consider development aspects. Key aspects include:*

- **Relevance.** The partnership project is needs-oriented, takes account of the local context, and - where possible and necessary – addresses the needs of vulnerable groups in particular.
- **Efficiency.** Sound project management with clearly defined responsibilities; appropriate scheduling and financial planning; contribution made by the German applicant is visible; funding is used efficiently and appropriately.
- **Effectiveness.** Aspects of feasibility and effectiveness are considered; technical consistency and coherence; objectives, activities and indicators are harmonised; continuous monitoring of the objectives is assured.
- **Sustainability.** The partnership project pursues a long-term vision; it focusses on institutional strengthening through capacity building and process optimisation.
- **Compliance with ethical standards.** Project implementation follows ethical principles and a politically justifiable approach.
- In order to receive funding, the applicant organisation needs to meet certain **financial-administrative criteria**. These include proven accounting diligence and/or project implementation experience, fundraising certificates and labels, etc.

Are you interested?

Apply for funding for your partnership project! You can submit your **application** electronically via our online application tool. Applications can be submitted **from 21st of October until 9th of December 2019**. If your application is successful, **implementation of your partnership project** can start in **August 2020**.

You will find further information about our funding programme and the application process on our website:

www.klinikpartnerschaften.de

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