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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS TO CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS IN THE BAHAMAS

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS

CILE

Title: Bahamas Social Integration Project

COLOMBIA

Type of Contract: Grant

COSTA RICA

Procedure applied: Public call for proposals

CUBA

Duration: max. 6 months (with possible extension)

ECUADOR

Value of the request: Min. €25.000,00; Max. €45.000,00 (all expenses included)

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Place of implementation: BAHAMAS

GUATEMALA

Project: COPOLAD III

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Funding organisation: ORGANIZZAZIONE INTERNAZIONALE ITALO-LATINO AMERICANA - IILA based in Rome, ITALY with funds from the COPOLAD III Programme.

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II. BACKGROUND

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The Commonwealth of The Bahamas is an island nation within the Lucayan Archipelago of the West Indies in the North Atlantic. The Bahamas' territory encompasses 470,000 km² (180,000 sq. mi) of ocean space. The archipelagic state consists of more than 3,000 islands, cays, and islets in the Atlantic Ocean, and is located north of Cuba and northwest of the island of Hispaniola, southeast of the United States of America.

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For the purposes of this project two communities within the Bahamas were selected as pilot sites to implement the territorialisation of drug policies that seek to address drug-related vulnerabilities at the community level.

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ONE ABACO PROJECT

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Abaco, is a 120-mile island chain in the northern Bahamas, located approximately 186 miles off the coast of Palm Beach Florida. It is the second largest of the Bahamian islands and the third most populous (16,587, Census 2022). This island was selected



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as for the implementation of **'One Abaco'** - A Social Inclusion Pilot Project aimed at addressing drug-related development vulnerabilities affecting the island chain. These include but are not limited to:

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- 1) The impact of hurricane Dorian in September of 2019, with recovery efforts slowed significantly as the country responded to the health, safety, economic and social challenges posed by the COVID-19 global pandemic.
- 2) Having a large immigrant population of mostly Haitian descent, faced with issues related to displacement, marginalization, social exclusion, and housing.
- 3) Its archipelagic layout and proximity to North America making it convenient for the movement of drugs and other illegal cargo by air or sea (inter-island and internationally), juxtaposed against the challenges of accessing goods and services, particularly in times of catastrophic events such as hurricanes.

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The results of these and other societal shocks are cross-cutting, impacting social order, economic conditions, law and order, institutional viability; availability and access to key services and resources; safety, healthcare, and education.

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Against this backdrop that Abaco was selected as the target community for this pilot project aimed at empowering persons living in conditions of vulnerability, to improve the health, social, economic and environmental conditions that elevate the risks of associated with the harmful drug use (including alcohol) and susceptibility to involvement with micro-trafficking networks. Through the utilization of social inclusion strategies, that are Rights centred (including a gender perspective), and focused on sustainable development, this project will prioritize the implementation of programs and initiatives according to needs.

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As such, the goal of this project is to improve access to healthcare, education, social support, and protection services, for persons living in conditions of severe vulnerability because of exposure to poverty, homelessness, micro-trafficking, food insecurity etc., Thus, providing a rubric for the territorialization of drug policies for the country.

ACT NOW!!! PROJECT

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The **Fox Hill Community**, located at the eastern end of the island of New Providence, is the target community for the **ACT NOW!!!** Pilot Project: Assets Coming Together for Adolescents and Young Adult Health and Wellness. ACT NOW!!! Is a comprehensive 8-month community-based initiative targeting multiple systems/ strategies (e.g. training impactors and youth influencers, providing information, developing life skills,



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BRASILE	Using the 'Unda da Tree' mentality, this program seeks to bring prevention and intervention services into the local community by encouraging community leaders to be involved in the planning, development, implementation, and evaluation of ACT NOW's programs and strategies. As such, this intervention is theoretically guided by the Social Development Model and will utilize a Public Health approach.
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COSTA RICA	The Fox Hill Community was selected as a target community for the implementation of this pilot project also due to several vulnerability factors, including:
CUBA	- 11% of the population is of Haitian descent and 1.6 % of the population is of Jamaican descent (based on 2010 Census).
ECUADOR	- Low socioeconomic status. Many residents at or below poverty level.
EL SALVADOR	- High unemployment.
GUATEMALA	- Low neighbourhood attachment for non-Bahamians.
HAITI	- Community disorganization.
HONDURAS	- Insufficient youth activities.
ITALIA	- Lack of strong church affiliations within the community.
MESSICO	- Community norms favourable to alcohol use.
NICARAGUA	- Pro-use messages.
PANAMA	- Gang sub-culture (micro-trafficking).
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REPUBBLICA DOMINICANA	The Goal of the ACT NOW!!! Project is to establish and strengthen collaboration among community actors to support the community coalition working together to prevent and reduce youth substance misuse, violence, and crime in the Fox Hill Community.
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VENEZUELA	IILA, as an implementing partner of the COPOLAD III programme, is the organisation responsible for the allocation of grants that allow the participation of civil society organisations in drug policy reform and/or implementation processes. These processes must be previously agreed with the institutions responsible for drug policy.
	In this context COPOLAD III Programme and the National Anti-drug Secretariat of the Ministry of National Security in collaboration with the Sandilands Rehabilitation



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Centre of the Public Hospital's Authority; and The Bahamas National Drug Council of The Ministry of Health and Wellness have agreed that a public call will be opened for the allocation of a grant to Bahamas civil society organisations that submit proposals for the implementation of a participatory listening process that will allow for the community's engagement in the socio-cultural aspect of the territorialization process.

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Targeted community improvements and culturally relevant activities will complement the parallel processes aimed at addressing the following identified problem areas: underage drinking and other harmful drug and alcohol use behaviour, micro-trafficking and associated violence, homelessness and conditions of poverty.

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III. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIONS

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Information on the objectives of the call including the definition of activities that can or may be funded is provided below.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT IN WHICH THE CALL IS FRAMED

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The Programme of cooperation between Latin America, the Caribbean and the European Union on drug policies, COPOLAD III, is a programme financed by the European Union (Directorate General on International Partnerships – DG INTPA) and is part of the growing cooperation between the EU and the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean in the field of the fight against drug trafficking. This sector constitutes a policy line in which Italy has a recognised experience, which is requested and appreciated by the Authorities of the Region thanks also to the active participation of Italian bodies and institutions in projects of a similar nature, such as PACCTO, EUROFRONT and EUROSOCIAL. For this reason, the International Italo-Latin American Organisation - IILA became part of the Consortium managing the Programme, together with the Spanish agency Fundación Internacional y para Iberoamérica de Administraciones y Políticas Públicas - FIIAPP, with the mandate to involve the main Italian institutions specialised in this particular topic. The European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction - EMCDDA, and the German-GIZ Cooperation also participate in the Programme as partners.

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- **General objective:** Contribute to the reduction of drug demand and supply in LAC countries by facilitating the generation and implementation of more balanced, evidence-based, comprehensive, and therefore more effective drug policies, fully

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- ARGENTINA respecting the national sovereignty of LAC countries in accordance with the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of States.
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- BRASILE - **Specific objective:** To improve the design and implementation of drug supply and demand reduction policies in LAC countries, ensuring that they are based on scientific evidence, public health, gender, and human rights.
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- COLOMBIA - **Expected results:**
- COSTA RICA o R.1 Strengthening the technical capacity and institutional role of National Drug Observatories.
- CUBA o R.2 Improved coherence, balance and quality of policies related to drug consumption.
- ECUADOR o R.3 Increase in the number of LAC countries that have designed and implemented drug supply reduction policies based on human rights, gender approach, social inclusion, sustainable development, and citizen security.
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- GUATEMALA o R.4 Increased opportunities for political and technical dialogue between the two regions (EU-LAC) on the nature of drug problems and the best ways to address them.
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- HONDURAS
- ITALIA
- MESSICO
- NICARAGUA
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OBJECTIVES AND PRIORITIES OF THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The general purpose of the Government of The Bahamas is to develop two pilot experiences that serve as matrices for the strengthening of organized civil society in the implementation of local strategies especially aimed at highly vulnerable communities linked with immigration processes, poverty, illicit activities and micro criminality related to drugs, community violence, deterioration of environmental conditions, loss of installed capacity in the management of community resources and in confronting vulnerabilities.

This action seeks to obtain high inter-ministerial support at the level of Cabinet, through the National Anti-drug Secretariat of the Ministry of National Security and the Ministry of Health. Other Ministries and organizations necessary to carry out the activities include: The Public Hospitals Authority and the Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre; the Department of Public Health; The Ministry of Social Development and Labour, including Urban Renewal Centres; Sustainable Development Goals Unit in the Office of the Prime Minister; The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, The Ministry of Education Technical & Vocational Training; Ministry of Youth, Sports & Culture, the



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Criminal Justice System; and the Department of Local Government on the island of Abaco.

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Other related organizations/agencies include Urban Renewal Unit; the University of the Bahamas (UB); International Society of Substance Use Professionals - Bahamas Chapter (ISSUP); Healthy Bahamas Coalition; Pan American Health Organization; Bahamas Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Committee; Caribbean Healthy Coalition; Social Services, Department of Gender and Family Affairs; Civil Society Bahamas, and various violence prevention initiatives in the country.

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Name of Initiative 1: Bahamas Social Integration Project

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Objectives

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General objective: To support the Government of Bahamas from the civil society in the development of innovative projects with a high social impact, by co-financing activities to complement the conceptual and/or technical validation of the actions, as well as providing access to support services for their implementation and development.

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Specific Objective: Support the Government of Bahamas from civil society in the development of a participatory proposal to increase community capacities to deal with local vulnerabilities (environment, micro trafficking, poverty, people without documents, micro criminality, access to services) in the framework of the National Drug Policy.

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Priority Actions	Outputs	Outcomes	Indicators/Verifiers
Objective 1: To improve communication, coordination, and collaboration between community members, living in conditions of severe vulnerability (exposure to poverty, poor access to healthcare, educational and protection services, and illicit activities related to micro-trafficking), and service providers, institutional networks and decision makers at the policy level.			
1.1 Identify and establish a formal contact with one specific community (a set of streets, a neighbourhood) living in conditions of severe vulnerability because of exposure to poverty, poor access to health,	A formal point of contact (Person and Place) is established within the Marsh Harbour area that allows for the exchange of information between community members and operational teams on the ground, institutions, and decisions makers at the policy level, (to identify	- Increase in level of coordination and collaboration - Improved identification of community needs and resources and gaps in accessibility	ToR Meeting minutes Journal notes Quarterly reports



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	Priority Actions	Outputs	Outcomes	Indicators/Verifiers
ARGENTINA	educational, protection services, illicit activities related to micro drugs trafficking.	Specific vulnerabilities, resources and accessibility factors)		
BOLIVIA				
BRASILE				
CILE	1.2 Establish a dialogue and decision-making table composed of community actors and representatives of institutions and organizations present in the community.	A Working Group comprised of representatives from a broad section of the community, including formal and informal actors, Local Government, Department of Public Health, Law Enforcement, Social Services, Civil Society, Education, local Business sector, Community Leaders etc. is established to plan and coordinate activities	- Better planning and organization of resources and service delivery - Better utilization of resources - Less duplication of effort - Better representation of vulnerable populations	A twelve-month action plan developed to address the identified needs
COLOMBIA	1.3 Create a Low Threshold Centre (Drop-in Centre) where community members can come to access and link with services.	A physical space identified, equipped with communication devices, information, low threshold interventions	- Increase availability and access to services	# of persons accessing services
COSTA RICA				
CUBA				
ECUADOR	Objective 2: Strengthen relationship between community members, law enforcement and opinion leaders around the topic of drug prevention, micro-trafficking and safety concerns			
EL SALVADOR	2.1 Conduct Town Hall meetings with key stakeholders and community actors to discuss concerns related to drug prevention, micro-trafficking, and safety.	- Town Hall Meeting held meetings between law enforcement, opinions leaders and community members to discuss concerns and possible solutions.	- Visibility of amicable relations between groups through the joint participation of Community actors and law enforcement in community projects (clean up campaigns, sporting activities, art exhibition, etc).	- Minimum of Five Community Town Hall Meeting held meetings between law enforcement, opinions leaders and community members. - # of community members and law enforcement in participating in activities together.
GUATEMALA				
HAITI				
HONDURAS	Objective 3: To enhance community actors feeling of pride, ownership, sense of community and spirit of togetherness through their participation in the improvement of environmental conditions			
ITALIA	3.1 Conduct Neighbourhood Clean-up	- community members engaged in competition	- Improvement in physical surroundings (streets and	# of clean-up activities held
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	Priority Actions	Outputs	Outcomes	Indicators/Verifiers
ARGENTINA	Competition (in select communities); accompanied by local vendors selling street food and socializing.	- Garbage collection centres / procedures implemented - Healthy lifestyle options and meeting places for community members available. - Community park with recreational and health and fitness equipment available.	neighbourhoods, beaches). - Community actors utilizing the park - Improved community engagement and social interaction. - Environmentally friendly and sustainable development progress.	# of local vendors engaged. # of persons participating in clean-up activities # of persons utilizing park on a weekly basis # of social activities taking place on park # of trees planted
BOLIVIA				
BRASILE				
CILE				
COLOMBIA				
COSTA RICA	3.2 Implement garbage collection/sorting centre in select neighbourhoods.			
CUBA	3.3 Introduce tree planting event.			
ECUADOR	3.4 Restore Ball Park.			
	3.5 Creation of a Community Park.			
Objective 4: To increase the visibility and resource potential of invisible populations (immigrants, persons living in conditions of homelessness etc.)				
EL SALVADOR	4.1 Have a Sports Tournament (basketball / Soccer or Sailing event).	- Non-discriminatory participation in sporting activities and friendly interaction among participants. - Youth participating in school projects (art exhibition), community engagement in activities (sporting events, clean up campaigns etc.).	- Increased visibility and resource potential event from participation of invisible populations. - Increase visibility of resource potential among youth with Art Exhibition showcasing multi-sensory display of culturally diverse artistic expressions.	# of persons participating in Sporting event/s # of students participating in Art Exhibition
GUATEMALA				
HAITI	4.2 Have a Schools Art Exhibition.			
HONDURAS				
ITALIA				
MESSICO				
Objective 5: To Promote healthy lifestyles and prevent the transition of young people and adults towards the illicit economy.				
NICARAGUA	5.1. Introduce - Community Based Students Against Destructive Decisions Club (SADD).	(SADD) implemented with at least one school.	Schools and students actively participating in program.	# of schools and students engaged in SAAD program
PANAMA				
PARAGUAY				
PERÙ	5.2. Launch Social media ads focused on healthy lifestyles and prevention messages for youth and adults.	Social Media Ads / PSAs produced.		
REPUBBLICA DOMINICANA				
URUGUAY	5.3. Support / introduce youth programs focused on entrepreneurship	Relevant clubs introduced in schools and community.	Youth participating in Programs.	# of students, schools and community members participating clubs
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	Priority Actions	Outputs	Outcomes	Indicators/Verifiers
ARGENTINA	(e.g Junior Achievers).			
BOLIVIA				
Objective 6: To Strengthen resources and actors that have a social integration function				
BRASILE	6.1 Training of informal actors in the event of emergencies or crises (CPR; poison control, PFA).	- Informal community actors trained in CPR, PFA, poison management etc.	- Improved social integration of persons living in conditions of poverty, with poor access to healthcare, educational and protection services, and illicit activities related to micro-trafficking, etc.	# of persons trained # of training sessions
CILE				
COLOMBIA	6.2 Linking persons to services and resources (housing, employment, educational opportunities, legal documentation, Business Licenses).	- Linkages formed between service providers and persons in need of services.		# of persons accessing services related to housing, employment, education etc.
COSTA RICA				
CUBA				
ECUADOR				
Objective 7: To support the economic reconversion of micro trafficking networks using confiscated funds and popular or circular economy processes				
EL SALVADOR				
GUATEMALA	7.1. Creation of an action plan for innovative revenue generating streams and support system for persons interested in pursuing small business loans e.g. (Farming, Fishing) industries.	Action plan developed.	Decrease in illicit activity related to micro trafficking.	number of persons presenting proposals.
HAITI				
HONDURAS				
ITALIA				
MESSICO				

Name of Initiative 2: ACT NOW!!!

	Project Summary
PANAMA	
PARAGUAY	OBJECTIVE The establishment of a coalition of community actors to prevent and reduce youth substance misuse and violence in the Fox Hill Community by building community capacity, providing training and technical assistance, and raising public awareness.
PERÙ	PRIORITY ACTIONS
REPUBBLICA DOMINICANA	1. Identify and establish a formal contact with one specific community (a set of streets, a neighbourhood living in conditions of severe vulnerability because of exposure to poverty, poor access to health, educational, protection services, illicit activities related to micro drugs trafficking).
URUGUAY	2. Establish a dialogue and decision-making table composed of community actors and representatives of institutions and organizations present in the community.
VENEZUELA	3. Improvement of environmental conditions. 4. Increased visibility and resources of invisible populations. 5. Prevention of the transition of young people and adults towards the illicit economy.



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ARGENTINA		6. Strengthening resources and actors that have a social integration function.
BOLIVIA		7. Economic reconversion of micro trafficking networks using confiscation funds and popular or circular economy processes.
BRASILE		8. Strengthen relationship between community members, law enforcement and opinion leaders around the topic of drug prevention, micro-trafficking and safety concerns.
CILE	OUTPUTS	As a result of the establishment of the ACT Now!! Coalition within the Fox Hill Community, the following expected outputs will be achieved:
COLOMBIA		1.1. ACT Now!!! Fox Hill will serve as a Community engagement model program for other community treatment projects throughout the country
COSTA RICA		2.1. ACT Now!!! Coalition Community's members will actively participate in maintaining the infrastructure to ensure the long-term sustainability of all ACT Now!!! programs and activities.
CUBA		3.1. ACT Now!!! Community Garden will create a green space for people to come together and build relationships, fostering a sense of belonging and connection with the community.
ECUADOR		4.1. ACT Now!!! Theatre in the Park is a community engagement activity led by, with, and for the Fox Hill community using community actors.
EL SALVADOR		5.1. ACT Now!!! Parent Education Training will improve parenting techniques, including positive language use, planned discipline, and establishing family routines for 20 parents or caregivers.
GUATEMALA		5.2. ACT Now!!! will facilitate the establishment of a Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) Club in Doris Johnson Senior High School (30 youth enrolled in the program).
HAITI		5.3. ACT NOW!!! Community Leaders Training conducted with 10 community leaders.
HONDURAS		5.4. ACT NOW!!! The Bahamas National Drug Council's 'Stop 'n Tink' Curriculum implemented with 60 adolescents during the Fox Hil Community Summer Camp.
ITALIA		5.5. ACT Now!!! Investing in Youth: Creating a School Culture of Choices and Consequences Teachers Seminar conducted with 100 Teachers.
MESSICO		6.1. ACT Now!!! HeartSaver Training - CPR and First Aid training conducted with 30 community actors.
NICARAGUA		6.2. ACT Now!!! - Your Voice Matters Community Seminar - Linking persons to services and resources (housing, employment, educational opportunities, legal documentation, Business License) – 50 persons attend the seminar.
PANAMA		7.1. ACT NOW Child-Entrepreneurs Conference (eg - Establishment of back yard Poultry Farms) – 30 adolescents trained.
PARAGUAY		8.1. ACT Now!!! Community Town Hall Meeting – 4 meetings.
PERÙ		8.2. ACT NOW!!! UnDA de Tree !!! Social Media Campaign highlighting 100 community actors.
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VENEZUELA		