

FALCON AWARDS FOR DISEASE ELIMINATION

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The Falcon Awards for Disease Elimination, launched by The Global Institute for Disease Elimination (GLIDE), invites the following institutions based in [endemic countries](#) to submit proposals that aim to accelerate the elimination of malaria, polio, lymphatic filariasis, or onchocerciasis.

1. Public, or private sector institutions
2. Non-Governmental Organisations, philanthropic foundations and Coalitions or networks of Civil Society Organisations
3. Public-Private Partnerships
4. National or regional academic or research institutions
5. Other interested parties with strong demonstrated experience in at least one of the defined disease areas

Submissions to the Falcons Awards will open on 4th May 2021. Applicants are encouraged to propose innovative ideas and implement established research with a high potential to be catalytic and transformational. Applications can focus on, but are not limited to, the following themes:

1. Cross-border, cross-disease, cross-programme, or cross-sector approaches to disease elimination
2. Community-centered approaches to disease elimination
3. Approaches that better integrate disease elimination within health system approaches
4. Approaches to improve the understanding of disease transmission, including through leveraging data and surveillance
6. Improved tools and approaches for vector control

Up to five winners will be announced later this year following a thorough evaluation by a jury panel composed of esteemed global health experts. Each winner will receive a sum of up to US\$200,000 to fund and implement their unique solutions to disease elimination.

NOTE: The definition of elimination in the context of the Falcon Awards is based on [WHO guidelines](#):

1. Elimination (interruption of transmission): Reduction to zero of the incidence of infection caused by a specific pathogen in a defined geographical area, with minimal risk of reintroduction, as a result of deliberate efforts; continued action to prevent re-establishment of transmission may be required.
2. Elimination as a public health problem: A term related to both infection and disease, defined by achievement of measurable targets set by WHO in relation to a specific disease. When reached, continued action is required to maintain the targets and/or to advance interruption of transmission.

PHASE ONE

In this first phase, applicants are invited to submit abstracts describing their project under the following sections:

Project title

Title of the project you are submitting for consideration.

Target disease(s) being addressed

Note which of The Falcon Award's four focus diseases your application applies to: malaria, polio, lymphatic filariasis or onchocerciasis.

Target issue(s) (max. 200 words)

List the issue(s) that your project will address.

Project description (max. 500 words)

Describe your proposed project and how it is suited to fully address the described issue.

Project design (max. 750 words)

Provide a brief description of how you will approach project design.

Project deployment (max. 750 words)

Provide a brief description of how you will approach project deployment, including key steps for implementation.

PHASE TWO

Applicants who are successful in the phase one will be invited to submit proposals which provide information on the following:

ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION

Mission and objectives (max. 200 words)

Provide a concise explanation of the organisation's purpose and its overall intention as well as the specific goals it seeks to accomplish in line with its mission.

Organisation capabilities (max. 500 words)

Provide a summary of the applicant organisation's previous experience and expertise that is relevant to this award process. This should include expertise relevant to NTDs, polio, malaria or other health programmes, knowledge of the targeted problem(s), and experience working with or deploying the proposed project (or similar projects).

Organisation leadership (max. 300 words per team member)

Provide a list of your organisation's leadership team and their biographies.

Previous year's action plan and financial statements (optional)

Provide an action plan outlining specific engagements and activities carried out within the last year. Financial reports conveying the activities and the financial performance of the organisation over the last year.

ABOUT YOUR PROJECT

Project description (max. 1500 words)

Provide a clear description of the project and its overall approach. Describe the theory of change (TOC) and how it aligns with the overall objectives of the Falcon Awards for Disease Elimination. The TOC should include key activities, outputs, outcomes, and the anticipated impact. Indicate the expected results of this implementation and how these achievements would position the project for use at scale. If applicable, briefly describe any previous applications of this to similar health problems, including how it was used and the results of use, either in the context of NTDs, polio, malaria, or other health programme areas.

Project team members (max. 300 words per team member)

List all team members involved in the project and their biographies, as well as a description of their roles in the project.

Partners and collaborators (max. 750 words per partner)

If you are submitting a project in partnership with another institution or with the involvement of multiple collaborators, please provide details on the partner institution and the role it will be playing in the implementation of the project.

Engagement with key stakeholders (max. 500 words per stakeholder)

Describe possible collaborations and future engagements with key stakeholders, especially country programme teams or other relevant country representatives.

List of activities to be undertaken from 2022-2023

Provide a list of key activities that will be undertaken over the course of the one-year partnership. The description should include an activity schedule with key milestones.

Project budget

Include a detailed estimate of all costs that are likely to be incurred for the project. The budget estimates should be provided according to the following categories: personnel, necessary travel, supplies, contracted services, partial or full support for equipment, consultants, and other direct and indirect costs.

The budget should be summarised for each key activity and implementation milestones.

Sustainability plans (max. 500 words)

Provide an overview of how the project will continue its mission or activities in the long term.