

## Expression of Interest

### Working in partnership with Soroptimist International Foundation

Soroptimist International is delighted to invite your Club/Region/Union/Country/Federation to play an important part in the project work of Soroptimist International Foundation by submitting an expression of interest outlining your proposed project.

Your expression of interest should be submitted on the form below. Your project should focus solely on the aims of Soroptimist International Foundation to Empower, Enable and Educate women and girls.

Further it should meet the Objects of Soroptimist International and sub goals which are aligned closely to the sustainable development goals ( particularly SDG 4 Quality Education and 5 Gender Equality).

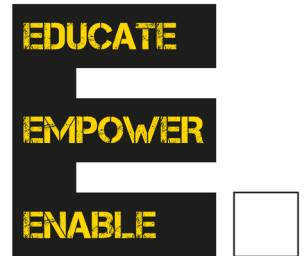
In particular:

#### Object 1 – The advancement of education

- provide girls with early childhood development care, pre-primary education, primary and secondary education. Example **SDG 4.1, 4.2**
- provide women with technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university. Example **SDG 4.3**
- eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education. Example **SDG 4.5**
- ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills to promote sustainable development. Example **SDG 4.7**
- improve education and awareness-raising on climate change. Example **SDG 13.3**

#### Object 2 – The relief and/or prevention of poverty reduce extreme poverty everywhere

- reduce extreme poverty everywhere. Example **SDG1.1**
- ensure that all women have access to basic services, ownership and control over land and other forms of property, inheritance, natural resources, and appropriate technology and financial services, including microfinance. Example **SDG 1.4**
- build the resilience of women to reduce their exposure and vulnerability to climate-related events and other economic, social and environmental shocks and disasters. Example **SDG 1.5**



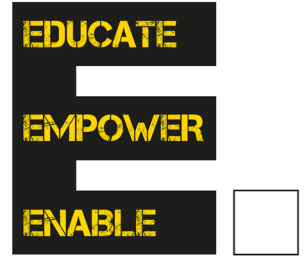
- advocacy to end hunger and all forms of malnutrition and ensure access to safe, nutritious food all year round. Example **SDG 2.1 and 2.2**
- ensure the agricultural productivity and incomes of small-scale food producers, have access to land, resources, knowledge, financial services, markets and opportunities for employment. Example **SDG 2.3**

### **Object 3 – The advancement of human rights, peace, equality and diversity**

- end all forms of discrimination against all women and girls. Example **SDG 5.1**
- eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls, including trafficking, and sexual and other forms of exploitation. Example **SDG 5.2**
- eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation. Example **SDG 5.3**
- achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women. Example **SDG 8.5**
- eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery, human trafficking child labour. Example **SDG 8.7**

### **The criteria we will use to evaluate your project described in your expression of interest will be as follows:**

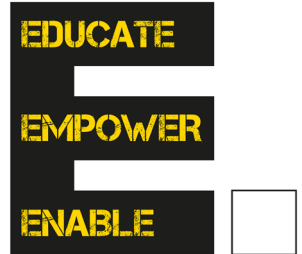
1. It should empower, enable and educate women and girls.
2. It should meet at least one of the Objects of Sorooptimist International Foundation.
3. It should be in a country where Sorooptimist International operates. <https://www.sorooptimistinternational.org/interactive-map/> It should have well-defined measurable objectives, including the number of women and girls you expect to support. These objectives should be SMART, Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Time-based.
4. It should have clear time parameters.
5. It should include a clear indication of budgetary requirements and a realistic budget.
6. It should outline your expected outcomes at the end of the project.
7. It should leave a legacy after the project comes to an end.
8. It should indicate the credibility of your club/region/union/federation in carrying out other projects successfully.
9. It should include the constitution or equivalent for your organisation.
10. It should include your most recent approved annual accounts.
11. It should include a list of Directors, Trustees or Officers.
12. It should include a named contact.



We are looking to partner with you for short term (12 to 15 months), medium term ( 3 years in the first instance with the option to extend for a further three years subject to successful reports) and long-term projects (10 years).

Should your expression of interest be successful you will be invited to provide a more detailed submission for final selection before the board of Seroptimist International approves our partnership with you. You will be informed within 6 weeks of the submission of your expression of interest whether you will be asked to prove a more detailed submission.

If your application is not successful and your organisation wishes to appeal the decision of the SI Board a subgroup of the Seroptimist International Foundation will be convened to review your application. The outcome of this appeal will be shared with you within 6 weeks. The decision of the subgroup is final.



## Project expression of Interest form

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Your expression of interest should not exceed 3000 words in total.

<b>Name of Club/Region/Union/Country/Federation taking the lead on this project</b>	
<b>Key personnel leading the project</b>	
<b>Contact name, email, phone</b>	
<b>Description of your project (500 words)</b>	
<b>How your project will empower enable and educate women and girls (150 words)</b>	
<b>How your project meets Soroptimist international Foundation Objects. Indicate which Object your project meets and how. (150 words)</b>	
<b>Name the country/countries your project will take place</b>	
<b>Outline the objectives of your project (400 words)</b>	
<b>Time scale of project ; start /finish</b>	
<b>Provide estimate of funds needed by Soroptimist International Foundation to fulfil this project and a budget.</b>	
<b>Please describe the outcomes and legacy your project will leave on completion (500 words)</b>	
<b>Name any other partners/sponsors involved in this project and the any funding they may contribute to your project.</b>	
<b>Describe a previous project you have carried out. Did you achieve what you set out to achieve? (500 words)</b>	
<b>Any further information you wish to provide</b>	

If you have any questions/queries or wish to submit an expression of interest please contact SI Global Executive Director, Deborah Thomas at [deborah.thomas@soroptimistinternational.org](mailto:deborah.thomas@soroptimistinternational.org)