

**BRAVE ACTIONS
FOR A BETTER WORLD
GRANT 2024 - 2025**

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IMPACT AND INCLUSION**

INTRODUCTION

OTB Foundation is the nonprofit organization of the **OTB Group – Only The Brave**, the international fashion hub founded by entrepreneur Renzo Rosso, which owns the brands Diesel, Maison Margiela, Marni, Viktor & Rolf, Jil Sander, as well as the companies Staff International and Brave Kid. Operating since 2006, the Foundation has supported over **350 social development projects worldwide**, focusing on generating a positive and lasting impact.

The mission of OTB Foundation is to act promptly and effectively in emergency situations and improve people's lives sustainably, ensuring equal opportunities for all.

In a context marked by ongoing global crises and emergencies, which exacerbate social inequalities and create new needs, making it increasingly difficult for many to access fundamental rights, OTB Foundation is launching the **fourth edition of "Brave Actions for a Better World"**. This funding program supports nonprofit organizations working on innovative and concrete projects to combat poverty and social marginalization. The **2024-2025 edition strengthens support for women, youth, and people with a migratory background**, focusing on **social, educational, and labor inclusion**, while promoting high-impact interventions both nationally and internationally.

The 2024-2025 edition of Brave Actions for a Better World introduces significant **innovations** compared to previous initiatives, expanding participation opportunities and changing the selection process. The main innovations include:

- Opening up to nonprofit organizations based in the USA and the UK, in addition to those based in Italy
- A new application procedure, structured in two phases, aiming to make the process more accessible and focused on the project idea and expected impact

There will be two stages in the selection process:

- **Stage 1 - Call for Proposal:** the organization submits an initial brief submission, aimed at evaluating the project idea and its potential impact
- **Stage 2- Full Proposal Submission:** only organizations that pass Stage 1 (Call for Proposal) will be eligible to proceed to the next stage, which requires a detailed project submission

This new structure was adopted to streamline the application and selection process, reducing initial bureaucratic burdens while focusing on the quality and impact of the proposed idea.

OTB Foundation has **allocated a total of €200,000 in grants for this edition**. Only nonprofit organizations that meet the eligibility criteria set out in this Regulation can apply.

Applications will be open from 3:00 PM CET/CEST (Italy Time) on February 25, 2025, to 3:00 PM CET/CEST (Italy Time) on September 15, 2025, or until funds are exhausted.

Please note: two evaluation stages and two application round are planned.

- **FIRST APPLICATION ROUND:** to be considered for the first application round, the Proposal must be submitted by 3:00 PM CET/CEST (Italy Time) on May 14, 2025. A Brief Proposal submitted at 3:01 PM CET/CEST (Italy Time) will automatically be entered into the second application round. The submission date and time recorded by the grant management system will be the official reference.
- **SECOND APPLICATION ROUND:** to be considered for the second application round, the Proposal must be submitted between 3:01 PM CET/CEST on May 14, 2025, and 3:00 PM CET/CEST on September 15, 2025. If the available funds are exhausted, the grant will close early after the first session, and this will be communicated.

An organization can apply for the grant only once and in a single session. To submit an application, applicants must follow the online procedure on the website braveactions.italianonprofit.it. Applications submitted through other methods will not be accepted.

1. CONTEXTUAL FRAMEWORK

Worldwide, the most vulnerable groups are the first to bear the brunt of social, environmental, and economic crises that hit their countries. Among these, OTB Foundation focuses particularly on women, youth, and people with a migratory background living in disadvantaged conditions.

The global social and economic landscape is increasingly marked by deepening

inequalities. According to Oxfam's Global Wealth Report 2023¹, the gap between the rich and the poor continues to widen, with growing barriers to access education, work, and personal development opportunities, especially for the most vulnerable groups. Women and children are among the most exposed to poverty and marginalization: the UN reports that one in ten women lives in extreme poverty². Adding to this is the growing digital divide: in 2022, 2.7 billion people had no access to the internet, effectively excluding them from education, training, and essential services³.

Brave Actions for a Better World Grant was created with the aim of providing tangible support to nonprofit organizations working every day alongside those facing exclusion and discrimination, whether temporary or prolonged, by creating real opportunities and opening new perspectives through concrete interventions, long-term vision, and innovative approaches.

The grant supports organizations contributing to the cause with both on-the-ground projects aimed at social and economic inclusion, as well as broader empowerment initiatives to address the root causes of inequality.

2. SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE GRANT

The Brave Actions for a Better World Grant 2024-2025 supports projects that address the **challenges of social inclusion, educational poverty, and inequality**, with the aim of improving the living conditions of women, youth, and people with a migratory background in disadvantaged situations. The goal is to build a more equitable future by creating tangible opportunities for personal and collective growth through bold and sustainable initiatives.

The proposed projects must meet at least one of the following specific, distinct but complementary objectives:

- **Inclusion and opportunities:** promote the social and work integration of

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https://www.oxfam.org/en/press-releases/billionaire-wealth-surges-2-trillion-2024-three-times-faster-year-while-number?utm_source=chatgpt.com

2 <https://unric.org/it/1-donna-su-10-nel-mondo-vive-in-condizioni-di-estrema-poverta/>

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<https://www.itu.int/en/mediacentre/Pages/PR-2023-11-27-facts-and-figures-measuring-digital-development.aspx>

women, youth, and people with a migratory background in disadvantaged conditions by breaking down barriers that limit their access to the job market and participation in society. Projects should foster economic and social independence through support pathways, professional integration assistance, and access to digital tools. Special emphasis will be placed on professional training and job placement projects for people with a migratory background, promoting integration and economic independence.

- **Empowerment and training:** provide high-quality educational programs and tools for personal growth. Projects should focus on innovative educational pathways, soft skills development, and access to opportunities. Financial literacy programs aimed at improving economic resource management and promoting financial independence are also of interest.
- **Innovation:** propose uncommon solutions through new, unexplored, and out-of-the-box initiatives with a bold approach and vision that support social sustainability and the fight against inequality, with particular attention to women, youth, and people with a migratory background.

Projects must propose effective and sustainable solutions capable of generating a concrete and lasting impact in the communities involved.

It will not be necessary to present entirely new projects, but it is crucial to demonstrate that the activities are designed to resolve or improve the conditions of the identified beneficiaries.

The disadvantage faced by the direct beneficiaries should be described by the applying organization, with the support of **research and contextual data** that substantiate the activities to be carried out.

It will also be important to **describe the impact that these actions will have on the beneficiaries**, and organizations will be rewarded for their ability to identify and quantify the direct and indirect beneficiaries of the activities for which they seek support from OTB Foundation.

OTB Foundation intends to support one or more organizations that promote social sustainability and, in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), can guarantee human well-being – security, health, education, democracy, participation, justice, and empowerment – equally distributed across social classes and genders.

In particular, organizations that demonstrate they are:

1 - **Innovative**: innovation must relate to a process, service, technology, or product capable of ensuring greater results or benefits through its adoption or application, thereby making real social progress

2- **Concrete**: the primary effects of the proposed activities must have a direct impact, which may be measurable or tangible, on the improvement of the quality of life for the targeted beneficiaries

3- **Economically sustainable**: the requested contribution must include a co-financing component and be aligned with the organization's current management capacity

4- **Accountable**: the costs incurred by the organization must be consistent, relevant, and documented with justifications and visual content, suitable for communication purposes as well

5 - **Brave**: as highlighted by the name *Brave Actions for a Better World*, the organization must be tackling a problem or alleviating a difficult situation in an audacious, out-of-the-box manner

Proposals that aim to:

- Cover debts or previous expenses incurred by the organization
- Promote generic interventions or those not targeting direct beneficiaries
- Conduct surveys or produce publications with no direct impact on the beneficiaries
- Produce publications or editorial initiatives, unless they directly serve the goals of the grant

will not be considered for evaluation.

It is recommended to **write clearly, directly, and concisely**, highlighting the **quality and value of the project idea**, the **effectiveness of the proposed solution**, and its concrete **impact**. It should be clearly outlined:

- The **specific need** the project aims to address and the knowledge of the context and beneficiaries.
- The **validity of the solution**, explaining why the planned activities are adequate and effective in addressing the identified need.

- The **expected impact**, with particular attention to the evaluation and measurement methods used to verify the achievement of objectives and the positive effects generated.

In the first stage of the application (Call for Proposal), it will be crucial to present these aspects succinctly but effectively, emphasizing the project idea, its potential impact, the requested contribution, and its alignment with the grant's objectives.

In the second stage (Full Proposal Submission), a more detailed presentation will be required, including a structured description of activities, an implementation plan, a detailed budget, and sustainability strategies. Additionally, the context and involvement of the beneficiaries must be further developed, demonstrating the proposal's strength, collaboration with key stakeholders, and the monitoring and evaluation methodologies for impact.

3. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Nonprofit organizations that are legally established, privately owned, with their legal headquarters in **Italy, the USA, or the UK**, that are non-profit making and were **established before April 30, 2022**, are eligible to apply for the grant.

- **Requirements for organizations based in Italy:**

Italian organizations must fall into one of the following categories:

- Third Sector Entities (Enti del Terzo Settore - ETS) registered with the Registro Unico Nazionale del Terzo Settore (RUNTS), including cooperatives and social enterprises.
- ONLUS, considered ETS under Article 101, paragraph 2, of Legislative Decree No. 117/17, and regularly registered with the "Anagrafe delle ONLUS" at the date of publication of this Regulation.

Additionally, the following documents/informations are required:

- Articles of Association and Deed of Incorporation, both in the form of a public deed, authenticated private deed, or registered private deed.
- Tax Identification Number (Codice Fiscale)
- Latest two approved financial statements (2022 and 2023, or 2023 and 2024)

→ **Requirements for organizations based in the USA:**

US nonprofit organizations must be registered as **501(c)(3) entities with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)**.

Additionally, the following documents/information are required:

- Certificate of registration as 501(c)(3) issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
- Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- Annual Financial Statements (2022 and 2023, or 2023 and 2024)

→ **Requirements for organizations based in the UK:**

UK nonprofit organizations must be registered with the **Charity Commission for England and Wales**.

Additionally, the following documents are required:

- Constitution (governing documents)⁴
- Charity Registration Number
- Annual Accounts (2022 and 2023, or 2023 and 2024)

Only organizations that meet all the above requirements will be eligible to apply.

→ **Excluded Applicants:**

The following organizations are excluded from participation:

- Organizations based outside of Italy, the USA, and the UK (England and Wales)
- Organizations in the process of being established.
- Organizations legally established after April 30, 2022.
- Individual applicants
- Informal groups

⁴ Here for more information:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/how-to-write-your-charitys-governing-document>

- Any other entities not expressly admitted by this regulation

Under no circumstances will the grant be awarded to organizations with a profit-making purpose, either direct or indirect.

In the first stage (Call for Proposal), each project must be submitted by a single lead organization, even if the project involves a partnership with other entities. Information regarding partners will not be required at this initial stage.

Only organizations selected in the first stage (Call for Proposal) will proceed to the second stage (Full Proposal Submission), where they will need to provide detailed information about the partnership and involved partners, who must meet the eligibility criteria set out in this regulation and specified in the following section.

3.1 PARTICIPANTS IN PARTNERSHIP

In the case of projects carried out in partnership, it will be necessary, **in the second stage of selection (Full Proposal Submission)**, to clearly define the roles and responsibilities of the organizations involved.

A partnership refers to an intervention jointly carried out by a “lead organization” and one or more “partner organizations” that actively participate in the initiatives and activities planned.

An organization can appear as a Lead Organization only once.

The organization submitting an application as a Lead Organization cannot later appear as a Partner in other partnerships.

A subject can appear as a Partner in multiple partnerships.

→ Lead Organization

The lead organization must meet both the subjective and objective requirements outlined in section 4. The lead organization represents the partners, assumes the coordination of all activities, and is the recipient of the funding. The lead organization assumes all responsibilities regarding:

- The correct submission of partner information within the application and providing the required documentation as specified in section 8 of this Regulation

- The correct transfer of a share of the grant to the partners
- The proper execution of activities and phases, including final reporting

→ Partners

Partners are **organizations that contribute to the project by bringing costs and revenues (expenses and income)** and, as a result, may receive a portion of the funding granted by OTB Foundation through the lead organization.

Partners must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Partners based in Italy, the USA, and the UK (England and Wales): must meet the eligibility requirements outlined in section 4 of this Regulation.
- Partners based in other countries: must be privately owned and non-profit, in accordance with local legislation

The lead organization is responsible for certifying the private nature and non-profit status of all partners (both based in Italy, the USA, the UK, and other countries) through a Letter of Intent or a Partnership Agreement, in compliance with the provisions outlined in the "Partnership Agreement" section of this Regulation.

→ Partnership Agreement

The partnership between the lead organization and the partners may either be pre-existing or formed specifically for this grant. In any case, it must be substantiated by a document called the "Partnership Agreement" drafted on the lead organization's letterhead, which **must be uploaded in the appropriate section of the application form**. This requirement only applies to organizations that pass Stage 1 (Call for Proposal).

The document must contain a declaration from the lead organization regarding the non-profit status of all entities involved in the partnership and **include the following details for each partner:**

- Legal structure
- Legal address
- Company name
- Purpose and duration of the collaboration
- Responsibilities and respective commitments towards the lead organization and

- the application
- Tax identification number (tax code or identification code issued by a public authority)

The Partnership Agreement must be signed by the legal representatives of the entities involved. It is possible to have the entire document signed by all partners or attach (in one document) the individual bilateral agreements between the partners and the lead organization, provided that all the required information is present.

4. ELIGIBLE TERRITORIES AND PROJECT DURATION

The grant is open to organizations with their legal headquarters in Italy, the USA, and the UK, but the **activities of the proposed project can take place anywhere in the world.**

Projects must have a minimum duration of one year.

5. FUNDING

OTB Foundation has allocated **a total of €200,000** (two hundred thousand euros) for this grant. The Foundation will select one or more organizations to which it will award funding deemed appropriate for the proposed project. The funding **provided will cover a maximum of 70% of the total project costs.**

Costs not covered by the requested contribution must be financed through **co-financing**. "Co-financing" refers to the use of the organization's own resources or funds obtained through specific fundraising activities and/or participation in other private or public grants, either domestic or international.

The maximum allowable project size is €100,000.

Example 1. An organization presenting a project with a total cost of €80,000 can request a maximum contribution of €56,000 from the Foundation (i.e., 70% of the total project costs); the remaining amount (30%, or €24,000) must be covered by co-financing.

Example 2. An organization presenting a project with a total cost of €100,000

can request a contribution not exceeding €70,000.

Example 3. A project with a total cost of €200,000 is ineligible because it exceeds the maximum project size allowed by the grant.

Consistency between the organization's size and its economic capacity, and the requested contribution, will be a preferential factor during the evaluation. It is therefore advisable that the contribution requested from OTB Foundation does not exceed 50% of the average total revenue of the organization's last two financial statements.

6. APPLICATION PROCESS AND STAGE

Applications will be open continuously from 3:00 PM CET/CEST (Italy Time) on February 12, 2025, until 3:00 PM CET/CEST (Italy Time) on September 15, 2025, or until funds are exhausted.

The grant process includes two application rounds.

To be considered in the first application round, applications must be submitted by 3:00 PM CET/CEST (Italy Time) on May 14, 2025. To be considered in the second application round, applications must be submitted between 3:01 PM CET/CEST on May 14, 2025, and 3:00 PM CET/CEST on September 15, 2025. If funds are exhausted before the deadline, the application process will close early.

An organization can apply for the grant only once and in a single session.

Therefore, an organization that applies in the first application round (by May 14) cannot reapply in the second round (from May 14 to September 15).

Applications may be submitted in either English or Italian.

Once submitted, the application cannot be modified or supplemented.

The selection process consists of two stage:

- **STAGE 1: Call for Proposal.** This is an initial application in its essential form, aimed at assessing the project idea and its potential impact.

- **STAGE 2: Full Proposal Submission.** Only the proposals that pass Stage 1 will be eligible to move to Stage 2, where a more detailed project plan must be presented.

→ **Stage 1: Call for Proposal**

To participate in the first selection stage, the submitting organization must complete the form available on the platform braveactions.italianonprofit.it, entering all the required information. No other submission methods will be accepted. For the application deadline, the information provided by the online system will prevail.

This stage involves completing a brief form, consisting of essential questions regarding:

- The proposing organization
- The project idea, with particular attention to the objectives, the problem it aims to address, and the expected impact
- Feasibility and sustainability elements, to assess the project's consistency with available resources and context
- Alignment with the grant's objectives, to verify compliance with eligibility criteria and focus areas

All proposals will be evaluated based on the criteria outlined in this regulation. Only the proposals that pass Phase 1 will move on to Phase 2, where a more detailed project presentation will be required. Organizations selected in Phase 1 will be directly notified of the outcome.

→ **Second Selection Stage: Full Proposal Submission**

Organizations selected in Stage 1 (Call for Proposal) will move to the Stage 2 (Full Proposal Submission), where they will need to complete a more detailed form to further elaborate on all aspects of the project. This form will be exclusively available to the selected organizations and will be sent via direct email communication, with instructions regarding submission deadlines and procedures.

The time to complete and submit the form will be approximately 30 days from the date the communication is sent. The information provided by the online system will be used to confirm the submission deadline.

In this phase, detailed information about the proposing organization and the project will be required. Examples of required information include:

- The project: specific objectives, planned activities, methodology, timeline, and impact indicators
- Economic and financial aspects: detailed budget, funding sources, and project sustainability
- The proposing organization: experience in the field, available resources, and project management capacity
- Any project partners: roles, contribution to the project, and compliance with eligibility requirements as specified in the regulation
- Monitoring and evaluation strategies, to ensure the achievement of the stated objectives
- Examples of previous communication materials produced by the organization, including those for projects different from the one being submitted

Only projects that successfully complete Stage 2 (Full Proposal Submission) and meet all the required criteria as outlined in Section 7 will be eligible for funding.

The selected organizations will be announced:

- For organizations applying in the first application round (February 14 - May 14, 2025), by July 2025
- For organizations applying in the second application round (May 14 - September 15, 2025), by November 2025

7. SELECTION AND EVALUATION PROCEDURE

The evaluation of applications in both application rounds will proceed as follows:

→ Phase 1: Evaluation of the project idea (Call for Proposal)

The first phase aims to assess the validity of the project idea, the relevance of the identified social need, and the potential impact of the intervention.

Applications will be evaluated based on:

- Clarity and relevance of the project idea in relation to the grant objectives
- Relevance of the social need, with particular attention to areas lacking institutional responses
- Innovation, understood as the introduction of new processes, services, or solutions capable of generating tangible benefits and social progress
- *Braveness*, which refers to an audacious, out-of-the-box approach to solving social issues
- Potential impact, understood as the project's ability to tangibly improve the quality of life for the beneficiaries

Applications will be excluded if:

- They are incomplete or have missing documentation
- Submitted by ineligible organizations
- Inconsistent with the requirements set forth in the guidelines
- Submitted after the deadline or through other submission methods

Only proposals that pass Stage 1 phase will be eligible to move on to the Stage 2 (Full Proposal Submission), where a more in-depth project presentation will be required.

→ Phase 2: Comprehensive and In-Depth Evaluation (Full Proposal Submission)

Organizations that pass the first evaluation step (Call for Proposal) will be invited by the Foundation to complete a more detailed and specific form. (Full Proposal). After submitting the complete application form, the second evaluation phase will begin. During this phase, the submitted documentation will be reviewed in depth, ensuring compliance with formal requirements and the eligibility criteria for both the proposing organization and, in the case of partnerships, the involved partners.

Evaluation will cover:

- Concrete elements, feasibility, and sustainability, with particular attention to the clear definition of objectives, methodologies, and actions
- Consistency between cost and effectiveness, between planned activities and the human resources/professional profiles involved
- Promotion of cooperation between nonprofit organizations, with a positive evaluation for projects involving cooperation between nonprofit entities, especially with international and local partners

- Innovation and braveness, regarding the approach to the issue and the ability to introduce new processes for its resolution
- Consistency between the organization's size and financial capacity and the requested contribution (it is advisable that the requested contribution does not exceed approximately 50% of the average total revenue from the organization's last two financial statements).

The ability of the organization to continue the proposed activities even after receiving the potential funding will be considered a preferential element during evaluation.

At the end of the selection process (stage 2), the winning projects will be identified and awarded the funding.

The documentation submitted – regardless of the outcome of the selection – will not be returned and will be used solely for purposes related to the current grant application. During the evaluation process, OTB Foundation may request further clarifications or additional documentation from the applying organizations. Furthermore, a shortlist of organizations may be invited for meetings to discuss and further explore aspects of the submitted projects.

In the case of multiple worthy or particularly challenging applications, OTB Foundation reserves the right to provide additional support or allocate further funding.

8. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION FOR APPLICATION

Nonprofit organizations applying for the grant must have the following documents available, which will be requested during the application process.

Documents required from the proposing organization:

→ For organizations based in Italy:

- Articles of Association and Deed of Incorporation, both in the form of a public deed, authenticated private deed, or registered private deed
- Tax Identification Number (Codice Fiscale)
- Latest two approved financial statements (2022 and 2023, or 2023 and 2024)

→ **For organizations based in the USA:**

- Certificate of registration as 501(c)(3) issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
- Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- Annual Financial Statements (2022 and 2023, or 2023 and 2024)

→ **For organizations based in UK:**

- Constitution
- Charity Registration Number
- Annual Accounts (2022 and 2023, or 2023 and 2024)

Documents that will be required in Phase 2 (Full Project Proposal):

- **Accompanying statement** signed by the legal representative of the organization. The letter is a form found within Stage 2. Full Proposal Submission application form. The applicant must download the form, complete it in full, have it signed by the legal representative of the organization (or their authorized delegate), and upload it in the application form.
- **Partnership Agreement**, with the characteristics specified in Section 3.1 of the guidelines (to be submitted only if a partnership is involved).

9. ELIGIBLE EXPENSES, REPORTING, AND GRANT DISTRIBUTION

Applicants must cover at least 30% of the project costs using its own funds or third-party funds (e.g., through participation in other grants). Within the participation form for Stage 2 (Full Proposal Submission), **the sources of coverage for the total costs presented will need to be indicated.**

→ **Eligible Expenses**

- All types of expenses directly related to the proposal are eligible for the grant
- The following expenses will not be accepted: covering past debts or expenses incurred by the organization; generic interventions not specifically aimed at the direct beneficiaries.
- Expenses already covered by other funding sources
- The costs presented are considered to include VAT only if the organisation does

not deduct VAT on purchases

- The involvement of volunteers, donations of goods and services, or particular discounts relative to market prices will be considered an important element in evaluating the proposal but cannot be included in the valid documentation for obtaining the grant from the Foundation
- Volunteer reimbursements are eligible only if documented

→ Reporting

The organization **must report the total cost presented in the budget by providing supporting documentation for each cost item and proof of payment.** Only costs related to activities starting from January 1, 2025, and lasting until the end of the activities agreed with OTB Foundation are eligible for reporting.

Volunteer work will not be valued, and self-certification of costs regarding flat-rate payments for expenses not substantiated by documentation, is not accepted⁵.

If, for reasons beyond the organization's control, the total cost during reporting is lower than declared and/or agreed, OTB Foundation may reduce its contribution as it deems appropriate.

The organization is obliged to promptly inform OTB Foundation about any changes to the budget.

During the reporting phase, in addition to providing documentation on incurred costs, the funded organization must produce qualitative reports on the progress of activities, including photos and videos to document development and impact on the beneficiaries. A qualitative report will also be required 6 months after the last disbursement of funds.

→ Grant Distribution

The grant will be distributed in **three tranches**, following the signing of an acceptance document:

- 30% after signing the acceptance document
- 30% within 6 months of the first tranche, upon submission of an activity report (both financial and descriptive)
- 40% upon completion of the initiative and submission of the final report documenting 100% of the costs

⁵ For organizations based in Italy: as per Article 17, paragraph 4, Legislative Decree 117/17 for organizations based in Italy.

OTB Foundation may propose a revision of the budget or modify the grant amount to be distributed, subject to agreement before the signing of the acceptance document.

The grant distribution will be terminated if any of the following conditions occur:

- Failure to cover the declared costs
- Failure to implement the activities or substantial unauthorized modification of the activities
- A decrease in the costs necessary for the project without prior agreement with OTB Foundation
- Misuse of funds contrary to the proposal
- The application of prohibitive or administrative sanctions to the organization (or any of the partners, if applicable)
- Initiation of legal proceedings by the organization or its partner(s) that undermine the trust relationship with OTB Foundation or pose a risk to its reputation
- The loss of the eligibility requirements set forth in this regulation by the proposing organization or the lead organization of a partnership
- Initiation of the dissolution process or termination of the organization or lead organization

If any of these termination causes occur, the organization must immediately return all funds received, plus legal interest. OTB Foundation reserves the right to pursue legal action to claim damages of any nature.

10. ITALIA NON PROFIT

Brave Actions for a Better World is conceived, promoted, and financed by OTB Foundation **with technical support from Italia non profit**. Italia non profit is the largest platform dedicated to the Italian Third Sector, independent and free, where citizens and donors can find information about nonprofit organizations and navigate the sector.

Italia non profit supports OTB Foundation by hosting the call for proposals on its platform and managing the participation process.

By participating in the grant, all applicants agree to register with Italia non profit. All organizations based in Italy that complete the application process by submitting their proposal for Stage 1 (Call for Proposal) will automatically have a dedicated organization profile on Italia non profit. Listing on Italia non profit is free of charge for the organization.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

Project Originality and Indemnity

Each submitted proposal must be original and **must not violate any copyright laws or the rights of third parties**. The applicant and the legal representative of the organization accept this regulation and fully indemnify OTB Foundation from any claims, losses, damages, expenses (including legal), or any other costs of any nature, including compensation claims that might arise from the unauthorized use of trademarks, texts, and intellectual works, fully or partially included in the application.

If photographs are provided, the applicant and the legal representative of the organization are responsible for obtaining the necessary authorizations (also in favor of OTB Foundation) from the rights holders, including the photographer and individuals depicted (providing copies of release forms upon request).

The applicant and the legal representative must also provide truthful and complete information in the application forms, which may be made available on the Italia non profit website and OTB Foundation's website.

All rights to the texts in the application form are reserved, and reproduction or distribution, even partially, in any form, is prohibited.

Use of the Logo

Grant beneficiaries **agree to display the OTB Foundation logo – in the manner agreed with the Foundation** – on brochures, posters, invitations, publications (including online) and social media, and to display it at any events related to the application. The authorization to use the logo does not grant the beneficiaries any rights to the OTB trademark, which remains the exclusive property of the Foundation.

Privacy

During the pre-selection phase, the data controller for the data of applicants, users who register through the call, and the data in the applications will be Open Terzo Settore (Italia non profit), which will carry out the pre-selection according to independently established procedures. After pre-selection, the data of only those users whose projects are selected for the final phase will be transferred to OTB Foundation, which will process the data as an independent controller.

In any case, the data will be processed solely to fulfill contractual obligations, in

accordance with Article 6.1(b) of Regulation (EU) 679/2016. Specifically, the data will be processed to carry out and manage the calls and send related communications. The data will be shared only with those responsible for processing, and to any supplier necessary for providing the service or when there is a legitimate organizational interest in accordance with Article 6.1(f) of Regulation (EU) 679/2016, always ensuring the appropriate technical and organizational measures required by Regulation (EU) 679/2016.

For more information on data processing by OTB Foundation, please visit www.otbfoundation.org in the privacy policy section. To request information or exercise rights (access, rectification, erasure, limitation, opposition, portability), please write to info@otbfoundation.org for OTB Foundation or info@italianonprofit.it for Open Terzo Settore (Italia non profit).

12. EXCLUSION

Any false or incomplete declaration will result in the immediate exclusion of the application.

13. FOR INFORMATION

For technical issues and questions related to the application process, you can contact the support team by **writing (in Italian or English) only to the following dedicated email address: otbfoundation@italianonprofit.it**

No evaluations of specific applications will be provided, but general clarifications related to the call and regulations may be given.

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