



2021 EU HEALTH AWARD: QUESTIONS & ANSWERS (Q&A)

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[This frequently-asked questions document gathers all questions received from applicants concerning the 2021 EU Health Award]

Q = Question

A = Answer

Q1: If the 2021 EU Health Award can be facilitated to carry our cancer prevention education among children in an African country.

A1: Currently, there are no African countries associated with the EU4Health Programme.

Q2: Is Iceland, as non-EU country, eligible for applying for 2021 EU Health Award?

A2: Iceland and Norway are associated with the EU4Health Programme and can participate.

Q3: I wonder if this call national NGO can apply in Ethiopia, can you please elaborate.

A3: Currently, Ethiopia is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

Q4: On behalf of our association, an NGO registered in Bosnia and Herzegovina, we would like to ask you a question: are we eligible to apply for this Call since Bosnia is not formally part of the EU?

A4: Currently, Bosnia and Herzegovina is not associated with the programme. An NGO registered in Bosnia and Herzegovina could only be eligible if there were an agreement of association with the EU4Health programme in place. Association agreements are considered final after a country's signature and, in some cases,

ratification, depending on national procedures. This could include retroactive coverage from 01 January 2021.

Q5: I would like to get more information regarding the participants portal and where would I get the PIC NUMBER FROM. I have registered on the temporary link provided but unsure what the following statement means: *a legally established organisation registered in the Participants Portal. Participants can temporary register [following this link](#) and provide the 9-digit Participant Identification Code (PIC number) in the submission form. Natural persons are not eligible to apply.*

A5: As indicated on the 2021 EU Health Award website, [Criteria tab](#), the applicant must be a legally established organisation registered in the Participants Portal. Once registered, you will receive a unique 9-digit PIC number (Participant Identification Code) which has to be provided in the EU Health Award submission form which has to be provided in the EU Health Award submission form on [cancer prevention](#) or [mental health](#).

Q6: I would like to inquire if Uganda is part of the non-EU countries associated with the programme. Secondly, I would like to inquire if projects implemented up to 2020 would be eligible. Our project has been implemented from 2010 in secondary schools but it was affected in 2020 and 2021 because of covid. Because the secondary school kids have not gone back to school since 2020.

A6: Currently, Uganda is not associated with the EU4Health Programme. Secondly, as indicated on the EU Health Award website, [Rules of the Award tab](#): *Applications submitted under the 2021 EU Health Award must have started and been put into practice in 2020 and/or 2021.*

Q7: I would like to ask you, if we are not a non-profit organization and we are an individual. Is there a chance that you will be able to participate in the awards? We created an online newspaper with contributors in the autism spectrum and mental deprivation. We are not interested in the financial rewards of the awards, just the participation. If so, under what conditions can we participate.

A7: As indicated on the EU Health Award website, [Criteria tab](#): *Natural persons are not eligible to apply.* Nonetheless, we invite you to keep an eye on the [News tab](#) where the EU Health Award Ceremony will be announced, in case you would like to follow it online or participate physically, depending on sanitary restrictions in place at that time.

Q8: I wanted to check on your eligibility criteria. I'm a researcher in Kenya, is my country eligible for this call? Specifically referencing to one of the criteria: "Non-EU countries associated to the EU4Health program".

A8: Currently, Kenya is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

Q9: Is the EU Health Award related only to activities in Europe or also covers initiatives and projects in other countries funded by EU Budget (Middle East,

Africa, Western Balkans etc)? Our organisation is based in Croatia and focused on international humanitarian aid and development cooperation.

A9: The 2021 EU Health Award targets applicants that act at different levels, depending on the topic:

- Mental health: national, regional or local level.
- Cancer prevention: international, European, national, regional and local.


Q10: Je voulais savoir si nous sommes éligibles à cette subvention (English translation: I would like to know if we are eligible to participate).

A10: Individual eligibility checks will only be performed during the evaluation period. Therefore, you are invited to check the criteria and submit your initiative to the 2021 EU Health Award on cancer prevention and mental health. All related information is available on the Award [website](#).

Q11: Please, send us details on how we can get our institution or NGO registered and get our EU Transparency Register Number. This is urgent.

A11: When applying to the 2021 EU Health Award, the applicant has to register its organisation in the [Participant Portal](#) to get the PIC number (Participant Identification Code). Then the applicant has to go back to the [EU Health Award website](#) (tab cancer prevention or mental health), click on “submit your initiative” and include the PIC number on the Award submission form.

Hereby a screenshot of the EU Health Award submission form: [cancer prevention](#) or [mental health](#), where the PIC number has to be inserted:



* Provide your 9-digit Participant Identification Code (PIC). Participants can temporary register following this link <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/participant-register>

9 character(s) minimum

To register in the [EU Health Policy Platform](#), certain organisations are required to provide the [EU Transparency Register](#) Number.

Q12: Je suis un jeune qui fait bénévolat dans le secteur de la santé dans la région de l'extrême nord du Cameroun. J'aimerais savoir si je peux postuler à cet appel à projet de l'Union Européenne. (English translation: I am a young person volunteering in the health sector in the extreme north of Cameroon. I would like to know if I can respond to the call of this EU project.

A12: Currently, Cameroun is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

Q13: Could you please tell us whether Brazil is considered a non-EU country associated to the EU4Health programme?

A13: Currently, Brazil is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

Q14: Is this award open to organisations based in Kenya? As we are placed in Ireland can we go forward with application for community based initiatives alleviating mental health impact of COVID 19 in Kenya? Is this award is applicable only for initiatives within EU?

A14: Only applications from entities established in one of the following countries are eligible: EU Member States; Non-EU countries associated with the EU4Health programme. Currently, Kenya is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

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Q15: Please is NOT- FOR- PROFIT Organization based in Nigeria eligible to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award?

A15: Currently, Nigeria is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

Q16: We can't find the link where we can apply for funding. Please help us apply.

A16: Find all the necessary information to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award on its [website](#) and select the relevant topic “cancer prevention” and/or “mental health” in which you are interested. Please note the EU Health Award recognises and rewards applications that have started and been put into practice in 2020 and/or 2021.

Q17: I would like to ask if there are open tenders or proposals for Nigeria from the EU.

A17: For funding opportunities under the EU4Health programme, please see https://hadea.ec.europa.eu/index_en. Please note the [EU Health Award](#) recognises and rewards applications that have started and been put into practice in 2020 and/or 2021. Currently, Nigeria is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

More in general Commission builds international partnerships for sustainable global change, please refer to https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/home_en

Q18: Can the official document be the Decree of the President of the Sicilian Region or the Regional Health Ministry who constituted the Provincial Health Authority of Ragusa?

A18: Yes, please submit any of those documents. As indicated in the EU Health Award submission form: *You must have a signed copy as a local authority or*

affiliated organisation of the official document from the mayor and/or the ministry in English or the original version with an English translation.

Q19: Is India a part of the non-EU countries associated with the EU4Health programme?

A19: Currently, India is not associated with the EU4Health Programme.

Q20: I am a Portuguese nurse who works at the community, as school nurse. I am currently developing a project, which helps children to know better and healthy deal with their emotions. I would like to know if the community health center (primary care and public health organism), represented by the nurses team who work in health promoting schools, are eligible to submit the application for the award.

A20: The European Commission has launched the 2021 EU Health Award on the following two topics:

- [Cancer prevention](#): rewarding the initiatives of cities, NGOs (or other civil society organisations), and educational institutions seeking to promote communication and health literacy on cancer prevention among children and young people (from 6 to 24 years old).
- [Mental health](#): rewarding community-based initiatives alleviating the mental health impact of COVID-19.

Please check [further details](#) on the EU Health Award [website](#).

Individual eligibility checks will only be performed during the evaluation period.

Q21: My question was if a public health centre is considered a local authority or a not-for-profit organisation.

A21: As indicated in the EU Health Award website, [Criteria tab](#):

- A local authority or an affiliated entity is an organisation that is officially responsible for all the public services and facilities in a particular area. An affiliated organisation is an organisation that is officially attached or connected to the former organisation.
- A legally established non-governmental body or a not-for-profit organisation should be independent from industry, and without commercial, business or other conflicting interests.

Your specific case will only be checked during the evaluation.

Q22: I wanted to know if it's possible for a Non Profit based in South Africa to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award - Mental Health?

A22: Currently, South Africa is not associated with the EU4Health Programme and therefore a non-profit-organisation based there is not eligible to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award.

Q23: I would like to know what countries can apply for the 2021 EU Health Awards mentioned on your website.

A23: Currently, only EU Member States, Iceland, Norway and Lichtenstein are eligible to apply to the 2021 EU Health Award. Other non-EU countries could only be eligible if there were an agreement of association with the EU4Health programme in place, which is currently not the case. Association agreements are considered final after a country's signature and, in some cases, ratification, depending on national procedures. This could include retroactive coverage from 01 January 2021.

Q24: Nos encontramos interesados en participar este año en el premio de la Salud 2021 en una de las categorías propuestas, sin embargo en los criterios de selección uno de los requisitos para ser elegibles es pertenecer a un país extracomunitario asociado al programa EU4Health. De ahí proviene nuestra inquietud, ¿Colombia es un país asociado? ¿Podemos postularnos al premio?

(English translation: We are interested in participating this year in the 2021 EU Health Award in one of the proposed categories, however in the section criteria, one of the requirements to be eligible is to belong to a non-EU country associated with the EU4Health programme. This is where our concern comes from, is Colombia an associated country? Can we apply for the Award?)

A24: Currently, Colombia is not associated with the EU4Health Programme and therefore an organisation based there is not eligible to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award.

Q25: We are an Irish organisation (entity registered in Ireland), but our work is in Kenya. My question is therefore is our project in Kenya on mental health is eligible for EU health award?

A25: Only applications from entities established in one of the following countries are eligible:

1. EU Member States;
2. Non-EU countries associated to the EU4Health programme.

In addition, as indicated in the submission form, the 2021 EU Health Award on mental health targets organisations that are active at national, regional and local level only.

National level should be understood as that of the country in which the organisation is registered.

Q26: Is there any possibility to apply for EU Health Award in mental health field in French language? We found only English application form. If there is only the English version, could we fill up the English version form in French language?

A26: The 2021 EU Health Award website and submission form are only available in English. Nevertheless, as indicated on the Award website and submission form:

Application language and translations: Applications may be submitted in any official language of the European Union. However, in order to facilitate the evaluation process, it is recommended to submit the applications in English or at least to provide an English translation, as indicated in the submission form.

You can do so by copying your text into Word, then using an online translation service. Afterwards, please upload the translation in the submission form.

In addition, you can find the 2021 EU Health Award flyers in all 23 EU languages under the “[cancer prevention](#)” and the “[mental health](#)” tabs of the Award website.

Q27: A University from Tajikistan is interested in 2021 EU Health Award on two topics: Cancer prevention and mental health. I wonder if we can apply on these topics as well as we have the faculty of biology and chemistry.

A27: Currently, Tajikistan is not associated with the EU4Health Programme and therefore an organisation based in this country is not eligible to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award.

Q28: I understand we have to upload our legal registration document in English translation as well. However, we do not have an English translation. Are we required to have it translated? This would be a significant financial burden for us.

A28: As indicated on the Award website and submission form:

Application language and translations: Applications may be submitted in any official language of the European Union. However, in order to facilitate the evaluation process, it is recommended to submit the applications in English or at least to provide an English translation, as indicated in the submission form.

Thus, the English translation is optional.

Q29: We would like to submit an initiative to the European Health Award. In the form to be completed, I do not see any possibility of attaching a document explicitly describing our initiative. Do I need in addition to translations regarding relevance, transferability, sustainability... attach this document or in case of pre-selection, you will come back to me for more information?

A29: Please describe your initiative in the appropriate sections of the submission form. If you want to provide more details, please upload the relative documents, preferable in English or with an English translation, in the appropriate sections of the submission form.

Q30: I am from Rwanda and I am also the founder behind a Health Magazine Organization which an international scientific research academy and a Non-Profit voluntary organisation with a mission of engaging young people in professional

health education and scientific research. As a person from Rwanda, I would like to ask you if I am allowed apply for this award (2021 EU HEALTH AWARD).

A30: Currently, Rwanda is not associated with the EU4Health Programme and therefore an organisation based in this country is not eligible to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award.

Moreover, as indicated on the EU Health Award website, [Criteria tab](#): *Natural persons are not eligible to apply.*

Q31: I am writing for clarification, namely if a project that is still producing new outputs now can apply even if its 1st outputs were on 2019.

A31: As indicated on the Rules of the Award: *Applications submitted under the 2021 EU Health Award must have started and been put into practice in 2020 and/or 2021.*

Thus, only the implementation and outputs from 2020 and 2021 would be considered.

Please feel free to apply for the Award, and we will look further into your eligibility and your project as a whole during the evaluation process.

Q32: We came across to your announcement regarding the 2021 EU Health Award which focuses on “cancer prevention” as well. We wonder whether as an NGO in Turkey are we eligible to apply for that grant or not.

A32: Currently, Turkey is not associated with the EU4Health Programme and therefore an organisation based in this country is not eligible to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award.

Q33: Is an elementary school only eligible for the topic of cancer prevention?

A33: Exactly, educational institutions are eligible to apply to the EU Health Award on cancer prevention.

Q34: We already have a validated pic on the portal, is this enough?

A34: Yes. If you already have a PIC number, please provide it in the submission form.

Q35: What is meant by the documentation indicated with "You must have a signed copy as a local authority or affiliated organization of the official document from the mayor and / or the ministry in English or the original version with an English translation. Please upload them here, as applicable "?

A35: Please provide an official registration document duly signed by your local authority, proving that your organisation is listed on the local registry. Public entities could provide, for instance, an official legal act establishing the entity (a law, a decree, etc.).

Find related details on this FAQ document: A18 and A21.

Q36: We are the French Public Health Agency. Can we be considered as a “local authority“ if the “ particular area” you are referring to is France?

A36: National organisations are not eligible. As stated in the eligibility criteria, the organisation submitting the initiative under this topic and thus opting for the prizes related to it must fall under one of the categories set under the EU Health Award on mental health:

- a. legally established non-governmental body or other not-for-profit organisation.
- b. local authority or an affiliated organisation.

Q37: I am writing in connection with "2021 EU Health Award - Cancer prevention". Yesterday I enrolled our school in the project. I would like to attach extra materials to our registration.

A37: Once you have submitted your application, no addition information can be uploaded nor sent by email. Only the information originally provided in the submission form will be considered.

Q38: Could you, please, confirm if we are eligible to submit our application for the topic of mental health since we are an elementary school that is a part of a health organization?

A38: Please note the organisations eligible for the EU Health Award on Mental health are the following:

- c. a **legally established non-governmental body or other not-for-profit organisation** independent from industry, and without commercial, business or other conflicting interests.
- d. a **local authority or an affiliated organisation**. A local authority is an organisation that is officially responsible for all the public services and facilities in a particular area. An affiliated organisation is an organisation that is officially attached or connected to the former organisation (Art. Article 187 'Affiliated entities and sole beneficiary' of the Financial regulation).

Therefore, the organisation submitting the initiative under this topic and thus opting for the prizes related to it must fall under one of those categories.

This information is available to the public, under the EU Health Award [Criteria tab](#):

- Only applications from single applicants are acceptable (applicants may have partners, but must file as a single applicant).

Q39: Is it possible for the same Association to present for evaluation more than one project realized during the past year? Of course the two projects have been realized for heterogeneous targets in terms of beneficiaries. We have been working both for women and students (high school and university) suffering due to pandemic social, affective, mental health effects.

A39: Yes, if other criteria are met, as indicated on the EU Health Award website under the [Criteria tab](#):

- Multiple applications by the same applicant are allowed, provided that each application is for a different initiative under the topic of this Award and all required documents are submitted for each application separately.
- Each applicant can only submit once the same initiative. If an applicant submits the same initiative several times, subsequent ones will be disqualified (starting from the second initiative submitted).

Q40: With regard to the methods of submitting an Intervention Project, it is necessary to fill in the online form in its entirety, as indicated by your "Guidelines". Could it also be useful to send an additional attachment, in which the entire project appears and in which perhaps the overall and articulated reflection that has moved the Association can be better understood?

A40: As indicated on the EU Health Award website, under the [Criteria tab](#):

- The application must be complete: all compulsory fields of the application form must be filled in.

Please describe your initiative in the appropriate sections of the submission form. If you want to provide more details, please upload the relative documents, preferable in English or with an English translation, in the appropriate sections of the submission form.

Q41: I am writing to make a clarification whether a CSO based in Nepal can apply?

A41: Currently, Nepal is not associated with the EU4Health Programme and therefore an organisation based there is not eligible to apply for the 2021 EU Health Award.

Q42: Do we have to fill both parts (only for natural persons ONE; only for legal person ONE)? Who is “person”? legal representative? Responsible of the Project? Pm?

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| <i>(only for natural persons)</i> himself or herself | <i>(only for legal persons)</i> the following legal person: |
| ID or passport number: (‘the person’) | Full official name: Official legal form: Statutory registration number: Full official address: VAT registration number: (‘the person’) |

A42: Please note natural persons are not eligible to apply to the EU Health Award. Therefore, please fill in the fields corresponding to the legal persons (company, organisation, ONG, etc.) with a legal registered status and represented by a legal representative.

Q43: Could you please let us know who should sign the “Declaration of Honour” that must be uploaded in the submission form? Should it be the Legal Representative of our organisation?

A43: Indeed, the Declaration of Honour should be signed by a legal representative.

Q44: In the declaration of honour, it is unclear what should be supplied in “VI – EVIDENCE UPON REQUEST”. Could you explain it?

A44: At a later stage, applicants may be requested to supply further documentation to prove that they meet eligibility criteria, such as extracts from the judicial or an equivalent document recently issued by a judicial or administrative authority and recent certificates from competent authorities showing that all requirements are met pertaining to (a) bankruptcy, (b) breach in tax payment, (c) grave professional misconduct, (d) fraud, corruption..., (f) irregularity (g) and (h) intention to circumvent fiscal, social or any other legal obligations.

Q45: In the submission form, in the “organisation” tab, we must select the category of our organization: Local Authority or affiliated organization or NGO or other not-for-profit organization. Since we are a university, it is not clear which category we should choose. I believe the correct category is NGO or other not-for-profit organization, but I would be grateful if you could confirm.

A45: Universities are not eligible to apply for the Award on mental health. Educational institutions may, however, apply for the Award on cancer prevention.

Q46: I am writing to you regarding the application for the 2021 EU Health Award. During filling the application form, there is an Evaluation report, we should attach in the "Effectiveness and Impact" section. Please, what should the evaluation report look like? Is it ok to attach the annual report of the organisation?

A46: The evaluation report should include any other proof or appropriate indicators that substantiate the activities you have undertaken. There is no specific format to follow or required attachments to include for this evaluation report: what you choose to include is up to your discretion.

Q47: Another question I have is regarding the "Transferability" section, where it is stated that we should present effective methodology, please could you specify the form of the methodology?

A47: The applicant should detail the methodology used, the steps undertaken and the lessons learned concerning how they reached results and the impact of the initiative, so that the initiative could be transferred, with any necessary adaptations, to comparable settings including in other Member States or at EU level.

Q48: We would like to ask you about the timeline for the evaluation process. Will the outcomes be communicated in the new year?

A48: As indicated on the EU Health Award website, the shortlisted and winners will be announced at the Award Ceremony, which will take place in the context of the 2022 EU Health Policy Platform annual meeting. All applicants will be informed accordingly by email in due time in 2022.