

Scatec Solutions Broad-Based Trust

APPLICANT SUPPORT RESOURCE

FAQ – Economic Opportunity Innovation Challenge

Frequently asked questions for applicants

Apply online:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/Scatec1/ScatecSolutionsBroadBasedTrustEconomicOpportunityInnovationChallenge>

Deadline: Full applications must be submitted by 20 November 2026. No extensions will be granted.

For inquiries contact: communityinvestments@scatec.com

Q&A session dates will be announced on Scatec's LinkedIn and website. Please keep an eye on both for updates.



Questions and answers

Question	Answer
Who should apply?	Organisations with proven or emerging-proven interventions that can expand, replicate or scale pathways into employment, livelihoods or income for economically excluded South Africans.
Is this a general	No. Training may be part of the model, but the proposal must show a credible pathway to employment, income or livelihood outcomes.

training fund?	
Can we apply if we are not near a Scatec project?	Yes. This is a national South African call.
Can we submit an idea-stage concept?	No. The model must have evidence of previous implementation or comparable delivery.
What amount can be requested?	Expand: R1m-R2m. Scale: R2m-R4m.
What evidence is useful?	Previous beneficiary numbers, outputs, employment/income/livelihood outcomes, retention where available, references, monitoring reports and partner/off-taker evidence.
Can equipment be included?	Limited equipment essential to delivery may be included if justified. This is not an infrastructure call.
Where do we apply?	https://www.cognitoforms.com/Scatec1/ScatecSolutionsBroadBasedTrustEconomicOpportunityInnovationChallenge
What does BDP alignment mean for this call?	The call primarily operationalises the BDP's Local Economic Development problem statement: persistent unemployment, limited livelihood opportunities, weak enterprise participation and constrained pathways into income generation. Proposals should connect to a relevant BDP lever and still satisfy the call's own eligibility and evidence requirements.
Which BDP-aligned solution types are relevant?	Relevant non-infrastructure levers include NEET transition pathways; SMME/enterprise growth where consistent with this call's exclusions; post-construction and supply-chain readiness; local procurement/value chains; skills-to-income; transition resilience; and women/youth economic inclusion.
Does BDP alignment mean infrastructure or emergency relief can	No. Infrastructure Development is deliberately outside this call. Emergency relief is also excluded from this RFP and is handled separately under the Trust's emergency-response mechanism.



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