



# **Call for Applications**

Right to Education Index 2018

#### **Overview**

RESULTS Educational Fund has opened the call for applications for civil society organizations to be part of the 2018 round of the Right to Education Index (RTEI). RTEI is a global accountability initiative that aims to ensure that all people, no matter where they live, enjoy their right to a quality education. It is a global index built out of the international right to education framework designed to monitor and drive national progress towards its fulfillment. Partners gather the information required to construct RTEI and use those findings to hold governments accountable to their commitments and increase public and political support towards the realization of the right to education. The core of the partnership is around completing the RTEI Questionnaire and developing country briefs based on the findings. More information on RTEI, including the RTEI 2016 Report and Questionnaire, can be found here. A revised Questionnaire will be used for RTEI 2018 and will be made available to partners ahead of data collection. RESULTS Educational Fund seeks to conduct RTEI in 25 countries in 2018.

#### **Timeline**

- **January 31, 2018**: Partner organizations informed of selection. Partner organizations receive RTEI Questionnaire, materials, and e-course.
- February 21, 2018: Partner organizations participate in a two-hour training call. (Time, to be determined)
- *March 1 April 30, 2018*: Partner organizations complete RTEI Questionnaire.
- May 2018: RESULTS Educational Fund reviews results and works with partner organizations to finalize submitted answers.
- June 15 July 15, 2018: Submitted answers are sent out for anonymous peer and government review.
- October 2018: Final results shared with all partners.
- November 15, 2018: Partner organizations submit country briefs.

### **Eligibility**

Partner organizations must be able to provide proof of legal status to operate in their country as a non-profit, non-governmental, or charitable organization. Organizations from all geographies are eligible.

### **Characteristics of Prospective Partners**

Preferred characteristics of partner organizations include the following:

- Dedication to the right to education
- · History of engagement on education issues
- Working relationship with government and ministry officials
- Experience in collecting information from national reports, documents, and budgets
- Research capacity and a history of producing research/advocacy products that drive national interest and debate around education

# **Partner Organization Responsibilities**

Partner organizations will be responsible for the following:

- Review RTEI Questionnaire, complete RTEI e-course, and attend two-hour remote training to prepare for questionnaire completion.
- Submit completed RTEI Questionnaire with supporting sources and documents by April 30.
  - Supporting sources are required for all submitted answers. Information not easily accessible on the internet should be scanned and emailed with the completed questionnaire.
  - Supporting sources and documents will be used to validate the information through an anonymous peer review process.
- Provide names and contact information of five in-country research organizations or education experts who can act as peer reviewers of the completed questionnaire.
  - Names provided will be added to the reviewer pool to ensure that the review process maintains anonymity.
  - RESULTS Educational Fund will be responsible for contacting reviewers and managing the review process.
- Provide names, contact information, and consent to reach out to Ministry of Education officials.
  - RESULTS Educational Fund will use this information to reach out to government officials and offer them the opportunity to comment.
- Produce country brief. The brief should be in the form of a 2-4 page analysis using RTEI findings
  to highlight the issues most relevant to your country and your organization. The brief should be
  public in nature for partner use in national advocacy and will be posted on the RESULTS/RTEI
  website.
- Complete feedback form documenting challenges faced in completing the RTEI Questionnaire to strengthen the process in future rounds.

#### Language

English is the operational language of the 2018 round of RTEI. This includes:

- Exchanges between RESULTS Educational Fund and partners, via email, calls, and the training call prior to data collection
- RTEI materials from RESULTS Educational Fund
- RTEI Questionnaire responses from partners
- A version of the country brief

Supporting documents supplied alongside RTEI Questionnaire responses can be in original languages. Country briefs should be in the national/local language most useful for advocacy by partners, but an

English translation is also required by RESULTS Educational Fund for further availability on the RESULTS/RTEI website.

RESULTS Educational Fund knows the value and necessity for further language capacities around this initiative and regrets that those capacities are not available at this time. Translated materials and additional language capacities are anticipated in future years of RTEI.

# **Funding Support**

RESULTS Educational Fund (REF) will provide USD \$3,500 for RTEI partners to fulfill the above responsibilities. Funds will be administered in two parts and aligned with partner deliverables.

- Partners will receive USD \$2,000 upon RTEI Questionnaire completion, submission, and finalization of responses as acknowledged by RESULTS Educational Fund. Invoice shall be submitted by partner indicating deliverable reached.
- 2. Partners will receive USD \$1,500 upon completion and submission of their country briefs. Invoice shall be submitted by partner indicating deliverable reached.

Contracts will be issued by REF or RESULTS Affiliates to partners, which must be signed before funds are issued.

#### **Selection Process**

Applicants will be reviewed relative to the preferred characteristics listed above by RESULTS Educational Fund and the RTEI Advisory Group. Up to 25 partners will be selected. Partners from all geographies (North and South) are eligible, and a mix of regional representation is desired in final selection. Additional preference will be given to 2015 and 2016 RTEI partners and other organizations that have been actively engaged in RTEI. Organizations that are not selected may be reconsidered in future rounds.

# **How to Apply**

Interested organizations should complete the <a href="RTEI Partner Application Form">RTEI Partner Application Form</a> and submit it to <a href="results.org">rtei@results.org</a> by <a href="Wednesday">Wednesday</a>, <a href="December 13">December 13</a>, <a href="2018">2017</a>. Please put "RTEI 2018 Application" in the email subject line. In addition to the form, interested organizations should provide proof of legal status to operate in their country as a non-profit, non-governmental, or charitable organization.

#### **Deadline**

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

# **Notification of Partnership Decisions**

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

#### **Questions or Comments**

Please send questions or comments to <a href="mailto:rtei@results.org">rtei@results.org</a>.