

The Government of Sweden has decided to continue the special initiative for democratisation and freedom of expression launched in 2009. The initiative aims at supporting actors for change, individuals, groups and civil society organisations working for democratisation and freedom of expression.

The objective of this Call for Proposals is improved conditions for actors for change to work for enhanced democratisation and freedom of expression. The interventions shall contribute to improved conditions and increased opportunities for actors for change to work for enhanced democratisation and freedom of expression and the reduction of various forms of discrimination and oppression.

Sida invites organisations and other relevant actors to submit a Full Application for programmes/projects which might be considered under this support mechanism. Please read the Guidelines for Applicants ( <a href="http://www.sida.se/Global/Partners/The%20Civil%20Society/Democracy%20initiative/Guidelines%20for%20Applicants.pdf">http://www.sida.se/Global/Partners/The%20Civil%20Society/Democracy%20initiative/Guidelines%20for%20Applicants.pdf</a>)

Application deadline: April, 15<sup>th</sup>. Applications submitted beyond this deadline will not be considered. Questions can be sent to:

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Note! A specific Call for Proposals targeting support to actors for change who use and develop information and communication technologies (ICTs) to strengthen social movements and interests groups working for democratization and freedom of expression will be launched, most probably in June/July 2012.