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**Annex C- Evaluation Criteria
for <Guidelines_U-SOLVE_02_04023>**

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STEP 2- EVALUATION

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Criteria	Eligibility condition	Checkpoint
Deadline	If the deadline has been met. Otherwise, the application will be automatically rejected.	Full proposal form (Date of digital submission)
Language of the application	Applicants must apply in English .	Full proposal form
Way of submission	Applications must be submitted online following the link https://usolve-project.eu/home Applications sent by any other means (e.g. by fax, by post or by e-mail) will be rejected.	Full proposal form
Pre-selected applicants within STEP 1	<u>has been pre-selected</u> at the STEP 1 of this Process, under the U-SOLVE Call with Reference USOLVE_01_040722	List of selected applicants at STEP 1 of the evaluation
Successfully completed the capacity building activities, organized by U-SOLVE for the pre-selected participants	<u>as successfully</u> completed the capacity building activities, organized by U-SOLVE for the pre-selected participants, under the U-SOLVE Call with Reference USOLVE_01_040722	List of applicants successfully attended at least 80% of the available capacity-building activities reserved for the relevant U-SOLVE country. Certification issued by the responsible Urban Hub Manager, certified that the applicant (s) attended at least 80% of the available capacity-building activities reserved for the relevant U-SOLVE country (only for provisionally selected applicants for sub grants)
Eligible entities	be a legal entity, established under national law with a registration number or equivalent, at prior to the application, established in eligible territories (as defined in the Call) Or	Full proposal form Chapter X- Identification of applicant Legal Identification Form and supporting documents provided during the verification of eligibility of applicants (only for

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	be natural persons, residing in the eligible territories, committed to establish a legal entity fully compliant with the requirements of point a) in case of assignment of a subgrant.	provisionally selected applicants for sub grants)
Official address of registration	The applicant to be established in the eligible ENI-CBC MED territories (fully explained in the Call)	Full proposal form Chapter X- Identification of applicant Legal Identification Form and supporting documents provided during the verification of eligibility of applicants (only for provisionally selected applicants for sub grants))
Responsibility for the proposed action	The applicant to be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action, not acting as an intermediary	Full proposal form Chapter XIII- Declaration of applicant signed by legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons) along the ID of legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons) Legal Identification Form and supporting documents provided during the verification of eligibility of applicants (only for provisionally selected applicants for sub grants))
Small-Medium Enterprise	to comply with the European Commission Recommendation 2003/361/EC2 and the SME user guide	Full proposal form Chapter XIII- Declaration of applicant signed by legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons) along the ID of legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons)
State-aid Ceiling	Applicants may not be recipients of State Aid through other grants or financing from national governments or the European Union in excess of 200.000 euro over a period of three years	Full proposal form Chapter XIII- Declaration of applicant signed by legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons) along the ID of legal representative or

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		<p>the applicants (in case of natural persons)</p> <p>De Minimis Declaration form provided during the verification of eligibility of applicants (only for provisionally selected applicants for sub grants)</p>
<p>Compliance with applicable legislation</p>	<p>The applicant shall not be in any of the situations excluding them from participating in contracts foreseen by the applicable legislation.</p>	<p>Full proposal form</p> <p>Chapter XIII- Declaration of applicant signed by legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons) along the ID of legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons)</p> <p>Legal Identification Form and supporting documents provided during the verification of eligibility of applicants (only for provisionally selected applicants for sub grants)</p>
<p>Compliance with Article 52.2.vi of the ENI CBC Implementing Rules</p>	<p>Applicants, and, in case of legal entities, persons who have powers of representation, decision-making or control over the applicant and the affiliated entities are informed that, should they be in one of the situations of early detection or exclusion according to article 52.2.vi of the ENI CBC Implementing Rules¹,</p>	<p>Full proposal form</p> <p>Chapter XIII- Declaration of applicant signed by legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons) along the ID of legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons)</p> <p>Legal Identification Form, founders IDs and supporting documents provided during the verification of eligibility of applicants (only for provisionally selected applicants for sub grants)</p>
<p>Participation of natural persons in maximum one participating legal entity</p>	<p>The participation of a natural person in more than one legal entity participating in this Call is not permitted.</p>	<p>Full proposal form</p> <p>Chapter XIII- Declaration of applicant signed by legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons) along the ID of legal representative or the applicants (in case of natural persons)</p>

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Sectors or themes	<p>The action must introduce a business idea/project directly connected with the general objectives of U-SOLVE (provided in detail by following the link https://www.enicbcmmed.eu/projects/u-solve), and specifically with the impact areas, priorities and challenges</p> <p>Activities must be engaging the creative and cultural sectors and specifically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Visual and digital arts</i> - <i>Performing arts</i> - <i>Cultural industries (film & video, TV & radio, music, books & press, video games, etc.)</i> - <i>Creative industries (fashion, design, advertising, etc.).</i> 	<p>Full proposal form</p> <p>Chapter III- TARGET GROUPS</p> <p>Chapter IV- FINAL BENEFICIARIES</p> <p>Chapter VI- RELEVANCE-ADDED VALUE-SUSTAINABILITY OF RESULTS</p>
Location of the action	Actions must take place in one or more of the following U-SOLVE territories	<p>Full proposal form</p> <p>Chapter II- Proposal Details</p>

EVALUATION OF PROPOSAL

The evaluation grid is divided into Sections and subsections. Each subsection will be given a score between 1 and 5 as follows: 1 = very poor; 2 = poor; 3 = adequate; 4 = good; 5 = very good

Section	Maximum Score	Checkpoint
1. Financial and operational capacity	20	
1.1. Do the applicants have sufficient in-house experience of project management?	5	Chapter XI- (Q38 & Q39)

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1.2 Do the applicants have sufficient in-house technical expertise? (especially knowledge of the issues to be addressed)	5	Chapter XI- (Q38 & Q40)
1.3 Do the applicants have sufficient in-house management capacity & resources? (Including staff, equipment, and ability to handle the budget for the action)?	5	Chapter XI- (Q38& Q41)
1.4 Does the lead applicant and co-applicants have stable and sufficient sources of finance?	5	Chapter XI- (Q42)
2. Relevance	20	
2.1 How relevant is the proposal to the objectives of the call for proposals and the project? Are the expected results of the action aligned with the priorities defined in the guidelines for applicants for the relevant U-SOLVE impact area?	10	Chapter VI (Q19)
2.2 How clearly defined and strategically chosen are those involved (final beneficiaries, target groups)? Have their needs and constraints been clearly defined and does the proposal address them appropriately?	5	Chapter III & Chapter IV
2.3 Does the proposal have a real added value? Does it contain particular added-value elements (e.g. innovation, best practices)?	5	Chapter VI (Q20)
3. Design of the action	15	
3.1 How coherent is the design of the action? Are the activities proposed appropriate, practical, and consistent with the envisaged outputs and outcome(s)?	5	Chapter VII & Chapter VIII
3.2 Are the outputs consistent with the needs of the target groups & final beneficiaries?	5	Chapter VII
3.3 Are the outputs likely to contribute to the expected results?	5	Chapter VII
4. Implementation approach	10	

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4.1 Is the action plan for implementing the action clear and feasible?	5	Chapter VIII
4.2 Is the timeline realistic?	5	Chapter VIII
5. Sustainability of the action	20	
5.1. Is the action likely to have a tangible impact on its target groups?	5	Chapter VIII Chapter III & Chapter IV
5.2. Is the action likely to have multiplier effects, including scope for replication, extension, capitalisation on experience and knowledge sharing?	5	Chapter VI (Q22)
5.3. Are the expected results of the proposed action sustainable? - Financially (<i>e.g. financing of follow-up activities, sources of revenue for covering all future operating and maintenance costs</i>) - Institutionally (<i>will structures allow the results of the action to be sustained at the end of the action? Will there be local 'ownership' of the results of the action?</i>) - At policy level (where applicable) (<i>what will be the structural impact of the action — e.g. improved legislation, codes of conduct, methods</i>) - Environmentally (if applicable) (<i>will the action have a negative/positive environmental impact?</i>)	10	Chapter VI (Q23)
6. Budget and cost-effectiveness of the action	15	
6.1 Are the activities appropriately reflected in the budget?	5	Chapter XII
6.2 Is the ratio between the estimated costs and the results satisfactory?	10	Chapter XII
Maximum total score	100	

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FINAL SELECTION INTERVIEW (with 10 shortlisted applicants in each U-SOLVE Country only)

Section	Maximum Score	Checkpoint
1. The proposed solution is innovative and creative	25	
Why is the proposed solution innovative and creative?		Final Selection interview
2. The innovation is applicable (proof of concept)	25	
Is the proposed innovation applicable?		Final Selection interview
3. The innovation is wealth- generating (proof of business)	25	
How does this idea make profit?		Final Selection interview
4. The team is fitting the mission (team appraisal)	25	
Does the team fits to the proposed mission?		Final Selection interview
Maximum total score	100	