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## NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

### CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE AFRICAN ELEPHANT FUND

The Secretariat would like to inform the African Elephant Range States that the eleventh round of calls for proposals for the [African Elephant Fund \(AEF\)](#) has been launched. The Range States are encouraged to submit project proposals to the AEF Secretariat ([unep-africanelephantfund@un.org](mailto:unep-africanelephantfund@un.org)) by 11.59 pm on 15 March 2025, East African Time (EAT).

The proposed projects need to support the implementation of the [revised African Elephant Action Plan \(AEAP 2023\)](#), endorsed by CMS [Resolution 12.19 \(Rev.COP14\)](#). The AEF is a funding mechanism for implementing the AEAP. As of 2024 the AEF has contributed in excess of U.S \$5 million to more than 50 regional and national projects for the conservation of African Elephant populations and their habitat.

The AEF Steering Committee will evaluate and select proposals that will receive funding from the AEF. Project proposals should meet the following minimum requirements:

- Project proposals must be submitted on or before the deadline;
- The standard [AEF project proposal template](#) must be used;
- The project proposal must be linked to at least one or more of the [AEAP objectives](#);
- All project proposals must be submitted by a Competent Authority or be accompanied by a letter of endorsement from the Competent Authority of the range State. A Competent Authority is the national Government entity responsible for wildlife in the Range State;
- Project proposals for transboundary projects must have endorsement letters from all the Competent Authorities of the participating Range States;
- The duration of the proposed project should be equal to or greater than 9 months;
- A two-page executive summary of the project proposal must be provided both in English and French.

For further information or clarification on the application procedure, please write to the AEF Secretariat at [unep-africanelephantfund@un.org](mailto:unep-africanelephantfund@un.org).

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