

## Call for Applications

برنامج "الشباب صناع السياسات" بمصر / *Youth Policy Shapers Programme in Egypt*

### A Joint Programme by the Government of Egypt, the European Union, and the OECD

#### What is the Youth Policy Shapers in Egypt?

The "Youth Policy Shapers in Egypt" is a joint programme by the European Union, the [National Institute for Governance and Sustainable Development](#), and the OECD through its [MENA-OECD Governance Programme](#). This ambitious youth empowerment initiative is supported under the European Union funded project "Support to Enhanced Administrative and Public Economic Governance in Egypt". The Youth Policy Shapers in Egypt will contribute to increased participation of youth to sustainable development including climate change mitigation, gender equality, and many others.

#### Objective

This Call for Applications invites participants (18-25 years), who benefited from the national flagship initiative "Be An Ambassador" from across all 27 governorate in Egypt. It will provide an opportunity to young people to take the lead in setting up social action projects in their communities. Young people will contribute to promote the objectives of sustainable development, including climate change mitigation and to lead concrete projects on the ground. The programme will support them in deepening their skills and to obtain extensive technical and financial support they need to implement actions that will benefit their communities.

#### Eligibility Criteria

The programme will select a maximum of 400 young people from Egypt in the first stage. Participants should meet the following minimum requirements:

- Be between 18-25 years of age and demonstrate motivation to attend regular meetings and participate in the Programme's activities.
- Have excellent reading, writing and speaking skills in Arabic. English is an asset;
- Have an innovative idea for a social project/initiative that you want to carry out with other young people from your governorate
- A previous experience in community work or engagement in a social action project is an asset

#### Required Documents

Interested candidates will be asked to submit:

- An updated **CV** (including information on your background and experience)
- A completed **Application Form**
- Be an Ambassador Certificate

**If you are selected, you will be invited to:**

- Participate in a conference in Egypt to enhance your skills in project management, leadership, communication, budget management
- Discuss first ideas of your initiative with participants from the same governorate
- After the conference, you will submit a first draft outline of your initiative to describe your project idea
- 40 participants will be selected and will engage in consultations with experts at national level
- After the consultations, selected participants will be asked to submit a complete project proposal and budget
- 10 initiatives will be selected and receive seed funding to support the implementation of their project

### Selection Criteria

Particular attention will be given to, innovative and sustainable social action project ideas that will be outlined in the application form, in one of the following areas:

- Raising awareness of good public governance, local governance and sustainable development issues,
- Raising awareness on children's rights, child protection and preventing bullying and violence
- Raising awareness on climate change, environmental issues, food and water security
- Inclusion and engagement of young men and women in public life,
- Transparency, access to information and fight against corruption
- Enhancing opportunities for participation in public-decision making
- Gender equality in public life
- Any other relevant area

### Application Procedure

If you are interested, download the application form, fill it in and send it back to us with your CV and *Be An Ambassador* Certificate by e-mail to [MENAYouth@oecd.org](mailto:MENAYouth@oecd.org) and [YPS@nigsd.gov.eg](mailto:YPS@nigsd.gov.eg) by **9 March 2023**.

### Contact Us

Please feel free to contact us should you have questions: [MENAYouth@oecd.org](mailto:MENAYouth@oecd.org) / [YPS@nigsd.gov.eg](mailto:YPS@nigsd.gov.eg)

We look forward to your innovative idea and wish you all the best of luck!

***The Youth Policy Shapers Programme team***