

LAC UAC Energy Access Financing Facility

Expression of Interest (EOI): Question Preview with Answer Options

This document lists the questions in the online Expression of Interest (EOI) form to allow applicants to prepare responses before starting the form. **The online form is the only way to submit an EOI**; this document is for reference and preparation only.

Key information

- Submission deadline: September 9, 2026.
- Narrative responses should be entered in English.
- Required questions are marked with an asterisk (*) below and with a red asterisk in the online form.
 - *Note: Applicants are encouraged to respond to all applicable questions to the best of their ability, as responses may contribute to the overall application score.*
- A Microsoft account is required to save a partially completed response. If you do not have one, prepare your answers in advance (for example, in a copy of this document) and complete the form in one session.
- Word limits are shown for narrative questions. Draft your answers to the stated limits.
- Eligibility (Phase 1): applicants must have direct experience implementing energy access or PUE projects in LAC, and the proposed project must be based in a Phase 1 focus country and include standalone solar, mini-grids (>75% renewable energy share), grid extension, or PUE equipment. Ineligible applicants are routed to the end of the form.

How the form adapts to your answers

Some questions appear only when relevant, based on your earlier answers. These are marked below with a note beginning "**Asked if...**". The main cases:

- Screening: questions in Section 1 appear one at a time as you answer. Ineligible answers route you to the end of the form.
- Funding window: you will be asked for the specific activities (TA or IF) matching your selected window.
- Prior funding: an explanation of non-duplication is requested only if you answer *Yes* or *Maybe*.
- Partnerships: partner details are requested only if you answer *Yes*.
- Concession overlap: a coordination explanation is requested only if you answer *Yes* or *Partially*.

Section 1: Screening Questions

Your responses to general screening questions will be used to categorize your project and determine eligibility. If you are ineligible, you will be routed to the end of the EOI form.

1.1 Organization Name *

Short answer · Required

1.2 Primary Contact Name *

Short answer · Required

1.3 Primary Contact Email *

Short answer · Required

1.4 Select your organization type. *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Public agency
- ☐ Electric utility
- ☐ Private company or project developer
- ☐ NGO
- ☐ Community-based organization, cooperative, or Indigenous organization
- ☐ Other (please specify)

1.5 Does your organization have direct experience implementing energy access or productive use of energy (PUE) projects in one or more LAC countries? Note that you will be required to provide details of past experiences in LAC. *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Note: Direct implementation experience in LAC is a Phase 1 eligibility requirement.

1.6 Select the country in which you would like to execute your proposed project. To be eligible for Phase 1 of the Facility, the project must be based in one of the countries listed below.

Projects in other countries may be considered in subsequent phases. *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Bolivia
- ☐ Brazil
- ☐ Colombia
- ☐ Ecuador
- ☐ Guyana
- ☐ Haiti
- ☐ Peru
- ☐ Suriname
- ☐ Other (please specify)

1.7 Does your proposed project include at least one of the following technologies? Standalone solar; renewable or hybrid mini-grid; productive use of energy (PUE) equipment; grid extension. *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Note: Including at least one eligible technology is a Phase 1 eligibility requirement.

1.8 Select the technolog(ies) included in your proposed project. Select all that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

- ☐ Standalone solar
- ☐ Renewable or hybrid mini-grid
- ☐ Grid extension
- ☐ PUE equipment

1.9 If your project includes renewable or hybrid mini-grids, what is the estimated renewable energy share? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ >90%
- ☐ 75-90%
- ☐ <75%
- ☐ N/A

Note: For Phase 1, mini-grid projects must have a renewable energy share above 75%.

Section 2: Project Details

In this section, you will be asked to describe the problem statement and activity for which funding is requested. You will also be asked questions related to implementation and financing readiness, community buy-in, and government alignment.

2.1 What is the primary funding window you are interested in applying to for your proposed project? (Note: Most projects should fall directly under TA or IF. Some may combine both, but a primary window must be selected.) *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Technical Assistance (TA): Project preparation support
- ☐ Investment Financing (IF): Catalytic grants and concessional loans

2.2 Does your proposed project include activities that fall within the scope of the non-primary funding window? For example, if applying for TA, would your funding request also include IF-eligible activities (or vice versa)? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

2.3 What is the site (city, town, and/or community) of the proposed project? *

Short answer · Required

2.4 Is the site of the proposed project within the Amazon Rainforest? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

2.5 Provide a brief problem statement for the problem the project seeks to address. Include the energy access challenge, the target beneficiaries, and why the challenge persists. *

Narrative · Required · Max 150 words

2.6 Describe the proposed solution, the energy and/or PUE services it will provide, and why this approach is appropriate for the local context. *

Narrative · Required · Max 200 words

2.7 Which of the following best describes the current development phase of your proposed TA project? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Early concept: Project concept identified. Limited technical or commercial assessment completed.
- ☐ Pre-feasibility study in progress: Initial technical, financial, and/or market assessment underway.
- ☐ Pre-feasibility study completed: Initial technical, financial, and market assessments completed.
- ☐ Feasibility study in progress: Detailed assessment (including technical feasibility, demand, costs, and commercial/financial viability) underway.

- ☐ Feasibility study completed: Detailed assessment (including technical feasibility, demand, costs, and commercial/financial viability) completed. Subsequent project preparation has not yet begun.
- ☐ Post-feasibility project preparation: Feasibility study completed. Detailed technical design and/or other studies and project preparation activities underway.
- ☐ Financing preparation: Technical preparation and project design substantially complete. Viable business model established. Transaction structuring and/or investor engagement underway.
- ☐ N/A (applying to IF)

2.8 Which of the following best describes the current development phase of your proposed IF project? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Feasibility completed; financing still being secured
- ☐ Financing secured; implementation preparation underway
- ☐ Ready to begin construction or deployment
- ☐ Construction or deployment underway
- ☐ Operational and seeking expansion
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2.9 For which specific TA activities would you request funding from this Facility? Select all that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

► **Asked if your primary funding window is TA**

- ☐ Prefeasibility study
- ☐ Feasibility study
- ☐ Detailed design support
- ☐ Community engagement and project preparation
- ☐ Financing readiness
- ☐ N/A (applying for IF)
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2.10 For which specific IF activities would you request funding from this Facility? Select all that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

► **Asked if your primary funding window is IF**

- ☐ Procurement of equipment
- ☐ Construction or installation
- ☐ Productive-use equipment deployment
- ☐ Operations and maintenance (O&M) support
- ☐ Consumer affordability support
- ☐ Risk mitigation/de-risking
- ☐ N/A (applying for TA)
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2.11 Briefly describe the support you are requesting from this Facility. *

Narrative · Required · Max 100 words

2.12 Has this project previously received external funding, or is it expected to receive funding in the short term, for some or all of the activities for which support is requested? (For example, a project may have received funding for a previous feasibility study with the same or very similar scope as the present study) *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Maybe

2.13 Briefly explain how the requested support complements, rather than duplicates, other funding. *

Narrative · Required · Max 100 words

► Asked only if you answered Yes or Maybe to the previous question**2.14 Will your proposed project be carried out in direct partnership with any other entities? ***

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unknown

2.15 Select the organization type(s) of the entit(ies) that will be direct partners in carrying out this project. Select all that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

► Asked only if you answered Yes to the partnership question

- ☐ National government
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ Utility
- ☐ Project developer
- ☐ Equipment supplier
- ☐ Engineering / EPC firm
- ☐ Operations & maintenance provider
- ☐ Financial institution or investor: Project financing
- ☐ Financial institution or investor: End-user financing
- ☐ Community organization
- ☐ Non-governmental organization (NGO)
- ☐ Indigenous peoples' organization
- ☐ Academic / technical institution
- ☐ Commercial or industrial off-taker
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2.16 Name the partner entities. Separate multiple entries with semicolons. *

Short answer · Required

▶ Asked only if you answered Yes to the partnership question

2.17 What is the total planned generation capacity (kW) of the proposed project? Enter 0 if your project does not include generation assets, or leave blank if your project has not reached a stage where generation capacity has been determined.

Numeric · Optional

2.18 Of the total planned generation capacity, how much capacity (kW) is accounted for by renewable assets? Enter 0 if your project does not include generation assets, or leave blank if your project has not reached a stage where generation capacity has been determined.

Numeric · Optional

2.19 What, if any, energy storage technologies would the proposed project include? Select all that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

- ☐ Lithium-ion battery
- ☐ Lead-acid battery
- ☐ Other battery technology
- ☐ Other energy storage technology
- ☐ No energy storage

2.20 What is the total planned storage capacity (kWh) of the proposed project? Enter 0 if your project does not include energy storage, or leave blank if your project has not reached a stage where storage capacity has been determined.

Numeric · Optional

2.21 Select the types of energy services the project is expected to provide. Select all that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

- ☐ Lighting & phone charging
- ☐ Household appliances (excluding clean cooking)
- ☐ Productive-use equipment
- ☐ Public & community services (healthcare, education, telecommunication, etc.)
- ☐ Clean cooking

2.22 How many hours of electricity service per day is the project expected to provide? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ <12 hours
- ☐ 12-16 hours
- ☐ 16-23 hours
- ☐ 24 hours (continuous service)
- ☐ Unsure
- ☐ N/A (generation assets not included)

2.23 Roughly how many households is your proposed project designed to serve? Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

2.24 Roughly how many micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) is your proposed project designed to serve? Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

2.25 Select the public & community services your project is designed to support, if any. Select all that apply.

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Optional

- ☐ Education (schools)
- ☐ Healthcare (clinics, hospitals, etc.)
- ☐ Water distribution
- ☐ Telecommunications
- ☐ Other government facilities
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2.26 If your project supports PUE, what types of activities will it support? Select all that apply.

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Optional

- ☐ Agriculture
- ☐ Food processing
- ☐ Refrigeration/cold storage
- ☐ Retail/commercial activity
- ☐ Water pumping/irrigation
- ☐ Manufacturing/workshops
- ☐ Digital services/ICT
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2.27 How exactly will the project support productive use of energy (PUE), if applicable? Select all options that apply.

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Optional

- ☐ Productive-use equipment/appliances
- ☐ Financing for productive-use equipment/appliances
- ☐ Value chains, business development, or livelihood support
- ☐ Training/capacity building
- ☐ Partnership with local enterprises/cooperatives
- ☐ Other (please specify)

2.28 If the proposed project supports public services or PUE, is it aligned with existing community social and economic development plans and priorities? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes, we have coordinated with the relevant agencies, institutions, businesses, or community organizations.
- ☐ Yes, it aligns with documented community or government priorities, but we have not yet coordinated directly with relevant stakeholders.
- ☐ The project is expected to support community development priorities, but no formal confirmation has been conducted.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ N/A (PUE and public services not included)

2.29 Roughly what percentage of project beneficiaries are Indigenous? If unknown, please provide your best estimate. *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Less than 10%
- ☐ 10-25%
- ☐ 25-50%
- ☐ 50-75%
- ☐ More than 75%
- ☐ Cannot estimate

2.30 Roughly what percentage of project beneficiaries live below the national poverty line? If unknown, please provide your best estimate. *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Less than 10%
- ☐ 10-25%
- ☐ 25-50%
- ☐ 50-75%
- ☐ More than 75%
- ☐ Cannot estimate

2.31 Which of the following activities pertaining to regulatory progress have already been completed? Select all that apply.

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Optional

- ☐ Site identified
- ☐ Site access substantially advanced
- ☐ Site access granted
- ☐ Regulatory pathway well-understood
- ☐ Some relevant permitting applications submitted
- ☐ All relevant permitting applications submitted
- ☐ Permits secured
- ☐ N/A - No regulatory activities required for the technology (e.g., cold storage PUE)
- ☐ None of the above

2.32 Which of the following activities pertaining to community engagement have already been completed? Select all that apply.

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Optional

- ☐ Community identified and engagement initiated
- ☐ Community consultation completed
- ☐ Community partnership or implementation agreement established
- ☐ Community confirmation that project aligns with their needs and priorities
- ☐ None of the above

2.33 Select the statements that apply to your proposed project in relation to government engagement. Select all that apply.

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Optional

- ☐ Relevant government entities have been informed of the proposed project
- ☐ Discussions and/or informal alignment with government or utility stakeholders have taken place
- ☐ Formal approvals/authorizations are in progress
- ☐ Formal approvals/authorizations have been obtained
- ☐ The proposed project is included in an official electrification plan or program
- ☐ To the best of our knowledge, government engagement does not apply (e.g., cold storage PUE in a country with no specific PUE plan or program)
- ☐ None of the above (no engagement yet)

2.34 Briefly describe how the proposed project aligns with government electrification plans and priorities. If you previously responded that government engagement does not apply, enter N/A. *

Narrative · Required · Max 100 words

2.35 To your knowledge, is the proposed project area already covered by an existing concession, utility service territory, or electrification assignment? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Partially
- ☐ Don't know

2.36 Briefly explain how the proposed project will coordinate with the entit(ies) related to the existing concession, utility service territory, or electrification assignment.

Narrative · Optional · Max 100 words

► Asked only if you answered Yes or Partially to the previous question

Section 3: Financial Summary, Timeline, and Catalytic Potential

In this section, you will be asked questions related to your project's finances, timeline, and replicability & scalability. Note that TA projects will not be penalized for being at an earlier stage of development than IF projects. However, among TA applications, priority will be given to projects that have demonstrated greater progress toward investment readiness.

3.1 Enter the amount you would like to request in USD. Note that ticket sizes in Phase 1 are limited to USD 100,000 to 400,000 for TA and USD 200,000 to 750,000 for IF. Larger amounts (as-yet undetermined) could potentially be allowed in subsequent phases. *

Numeric · Required

Note: The form only accepts values between 100,000 and 750,000.

3.2 If your full need exceeds the ticket size, could a Phase 1 award at the capped amount still deliver a viable scope? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Maybe
- ☐ N/A (full need does not exceed ticket size)

3.3 If applying for TA, enter the total estimated cost of all required TA activities, including those not included in this funding request.

Numeric · Optional

3.4 Which option best describes the development status of the project's financial model? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ A project financial model has not yet been developed.
- ☐ High-level estimates have been developed to assess potential costs, revenues, and/or financial viability.
- ☐ A detailed, project-level financial model has been developed with documented assumptions and projections for key costs, revenues, and financing needs.
- ☐ A detailed, project-level financial model has been developed and used in discussions with, or reviewed by, a potential lender, investor, or other downstream funder.

3.5 Enter the total estimated CAPEX in USD for the infrastructure or equipment that the proposed work is intended to enable or support (i.e., new construction, expansion or improvement of existing infrastructure, and/or deployment of PUE equipment). If applying for TA, provide your best current estimate. Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

3.6 If your proposed project includes standalone solar, enter the estimated number of units that will be deployed. If applying for TA, provide your best current estimate. Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

3.7 If your proposed project includes PUE, enter the estimated number of units that will be deployed. If applying for TA, provide your best current estimate. Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

3.8 Enter the estimated annual OPEX (routine operations, maintenance, staffing, fuel, insurance, etc.) in USD for the infrastructure or equipment that the proposed work is intended to enable or support. If applying for TA, provide your best current estimate. Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

3.9 Enter the expected operating period (years) for the present or downstream infrastructure project. Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

3.10 Enter your expected annual revenue (USD) for the present or downstream infrastructure project. If applying for TA, provide your best current estimate. Leave blank if unknown.

Numeric · Optional

3.11 Enter the total amount of co-financing already secured for this project (USD). Enter 0 if no co-financing has been secured. Note: Co-financing is defined as additional funding that is deployed to support the current phase of the project. *

Numeric · Required

3.12 For each source of co-financing already secured, list the name of the source, the type of financing, and the amount. If no co-financing has been secured, enter N/A. Example: IFC | Debt | \$2,500,000 *

Short answer (structured list) · Required

3.13 Enter the total amount of additional co-financing currently being sought or under active discussion (USD). Enter 0 if none. *

Numeric · Required

3.14 For each source of co-financing currently being sought or under discussion, list the name of the potential source, the type of financing, the expected amount, and the current status. If no additional co-financing is being sought or under discussion, enter N/A. Example: IDB Invest | Debt | \$4,000,000 | Under discussion *

Short answer (structured list) · Required

3.15 Briefly explain why concessional funding is needed. In particular, explain why the project cannot proceed on commercial terms alone and why support from other potential sources is inapplicable or insufficient. *

Narrative · Required · Max 150 words

3.16 Which of the following best describes the planned long-term O&M arrangement for the project? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Long-term O&M will be provided by an electric utility (through direct operation or formal handover).
- ☐ Long-term O&M will be provided by an experienced mini-grid operator or energy service company.
- ☐ The applicant (an electric utility) will retain responsibility for long-term O&M.
- ☐ The applicant (non-utility) will retain responsibility for long-term O&M using its own staff and resources.
- ☐ A community organization or cooperative will be responsible for long-term O&M, with external technical support.
- ☐ A community organization or cooperative will be responsible for long-term O&M without identified external technical support.
- ☐ Trained individuals in the community will be responsible for O&M, without establishment of a formal body.
- ☐ The long-term O&M arrangement has not yet been determined.
- ☐ Other (please specify)

3.17 How are O&M costs expected to be financed? Select all options that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

- ☐ Electricity tariffs or user fees
- ☐ Productive-use revenues
- ☐ Utility operating budget
- ☐ Government subsidy
- ☐ Long-term service agreement
- ☐ Ongoing donor support
- ☐ Not yet determined
- ☐ Other (please specify)

3.18 Enter the estimated implementation period (in months) from receipt of award to completion of the supported activities. For infrastructure projects, provide the timeline through commissioning of the supported infrastructure (not the full operating period). *

Numeric · Required

3.19 List the major project milestones and the estimated time for completing each (starting from T0, the time of receipt of award). Please limit this summary to major milestones, rather than discrete tasks, and list them sequentially. Example: Procurement complete: T0 + 2 months; Construction begins: T0 + 6 months; Construction complete: T0 + 16 months *

Short answer (structured list) · Required

3.20 List any potential downstream funders (e.g., lenders, investors) you have engaged thus far. Enter None if none. (Note: Downstream financing is financing that is expected to be mobilized after the activities supported by this facility are completed. It is distinct from co-financing, which is additional funding to support the current phase.) *

Short answer · Required

3.21 If invited to submit a full proposal, would you be able to provide evidence of interest from potential co-financiers and/or downstream funders to demonstrate a credible pathway to follow-on investment? *

Multiple choice (select one) · Required

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

3.22 To what extent could you scale and/or replicate this project within 24 months of project completion with further support? Select all options that apply. *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

- ☐ Could scale in same community within 24 months
- ☐ Could replicate in additional communities in the same country within 24 months
- ☐ Could replicate in other countries within 24 months
- ☐ Could not scale/replicate within 24 months
- ☐ Could not scale/replicate at all
- ☐ Unknown

3.23 If applicable, describe the potential and pathway for replicating or scaling your project within 24 months of project completion.

Narrative · Optional · Max 200 words

Section 4: Organizational Experience

In this section, you will summarize two past experiences that demonstrate you are qualified to carry out this project. If a partner with complementary experience is expected to play a substantial role, you may include their experience as well.

4.1 Experience 1: Project Name *

Short answer · Required

4.2 Experience 1: Project Country *

Short answer · Required

4.3 Experience 1: Location within Country (State/Province and City, town, or community) *

Short answer · Required

4.4 Experience 1: Start Date (MM/YYYY) *

Short answer · Required

4.5 Experience 1: Completion Date (MM/YYYY) *

Short answer · Required

4.6 Experience 1: Project CAPEX (USD) *

Numeric · Required

4.7 Experience 1: Technologies (Select all that apply) *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

- ☐ Standalone solar
- ☐ Renewable or hybrid mini-grid (<75% RE)
- ☐ Renewable or hybrid mini-grid (75-90% RE)
- ☐ Renewable or hybrid mini-grid (>90% RE)
- ☐ Grid extension
- ☐ PUE equipment
- ☐ Other (please specify)

4.8 Experience 1: Total Project Size (kW) - Enter 0 if project did not include generation assets *

Numeric · Required

4.9 Experience 1: Renewable Generation Capacity (kW) - Enter 0 if project did not include renewable generation assets *

Numeric · Required

4.10 Experience 1: Number of beneficiaries (Households) *

Numeric · Required

4.11 Experience 1: Brief description of project and your role *

Narrative · Required · Max 150 words

4.12 Experience 2: Project Name *

Short answer · Required

4.13 Experience 2: Project Country *

Short answer · Required

4.14 Experience 2: Location within Country (State/Province and City, town, or community) *

Short answer · Required

4.15 Experience 2: Start Date (MM/YYYY) *

Short answer · Required

4.16 Experience 2: Completion Date (MM/YYYY) *

Short answer · Required

4.17 Experience 2: Project CAPEX (USD) *

Numeric · Required

4.18 Experience 2: Technologies (Select all that apply) *

Checkboxes (select all that apply) · Required

- ☐ Standalone solar
- ☐ Renewable or hybrid mini-grid (<75% RE)
- ☐ Renewable or hybrid mini-grid (75-90% RE)
- ☐ Renewable or hybrid mini-grid (>90% RE)
- ☐ Grid extension
- ☐ PUE equipment
- ☐ Other (please specify)

4.19 Experience 2: Total Project Size (kW) - Enter 0 if project did not include generation assets *

Numeric · Required

4.20 Experience 2: Renewable Generation Capacity (kW) - Enter 0 if project did not include renewable generation assets *

Numeric · Required

4.21 Experience 2: Number of beneficiaries (Households) *

Numeric · Required

4.22 Experience 2: Brief description of project and your role *

Narrative · Required · Max 150 words

4.23 Partner Experience: Brief description of experience and qualifications of the direct partner(s) with whom you intend to carry out the proposed project.Narrative · Optional · Max 100 words

End of question preview. Please submit your responses through the online EOI form by September 9, 2026.