1. Introduction

The objective of this policy is to establish a clear, ethical, and principled approach to funding applications by Legal Centre Lesvos AMKE (‘LCL’).

2. Policy requirements

2.1 General principles

(1) LCL must not enter or seek to enter into a financial relationship with any organisation involved in human rights abuses. Specifically, the organisation (including supply chain, parent and subsidiaries bodies) must:

i. Not have committed and not be complicit in human rights abuses

ii. Not violate labour rights principles in both statutes and practice

iii. Not discriminate with regard to its employment practices and activities

iv. Act with transparency with regard to their structure and their relationships with other organisations

v. Not knowingly profit from exploitation of child labour or any other form of servitude

vi. Not have a history of producing any products that have been implicated in human rights violations by armed actors such as military, security or police forces

vii. Not engage in sexual exploitation and harassment across its activities

viii. Not engage in activities that cause environmental destruction or depend on the depletion of finite resources

(2) LCL must not enter or seek to enter into a financial relationships which compromises the principles mentioned within its Founding Document, IADL and ELDH Position on the Refugee Question in Europe Document and any future constitutional document it chooses to later adopt.

(3) LCL will not enter or seek to enter into financial relationships which prohibit its ability to act in furtherance of the principles and aims contained in this sub paragraph.

2.2 Corporations

(1) LCL may exceptionally enter into a financial relationship with a corporation only where:

i. There is a significant benefit to LCL and

II. There is a low risk to LCL’s reputation, taking into account:

1. The General Principles mentioned in sub paragraph 2.1
2. The duration of the proposed relationship
3. The size of the expected benefit
4. The nature of the expected benefit
5. The size and geographic reach of the corporation, and
6. The nature of the corporation’s business

(2) If a decision is made to enter into a corporate relationship but it is recognised that there are low level and acceptable risks associated with that relationship, the decision-making process should include consideration of measures that can be taken to mitigate or manage those risks and those measures should be explicitly included in the terms of the corporate relationship.

3. Donor Mapping

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(1) Prior to the submission of applications for funding, potential donor organisations will be vetted by a partner of the Legal Centre to make sure they are suitable

(2) Applications must be agreed upon by a minimum of two partners prior to being submitted, and funds must be accepted only after agreed to by consensus of all partners.

4. Reporting

4.1 The partners are jointly responsible for meeting the reporting requirements stipulated within funding agreements the Legal Centre enters into.