

### **Q&A** from the Information Session

This document collects the Q&A from the Information Session on the Open Call that took place on the 7.06.2023.

- Is it possible to collaborate with another organisation that is not a member of the GFCE? Yes, the GC3B is not designed for GFCE Community only, the scope of the Conference is global and therefore open to participation and representation outside of the GFCE. The GC3B team encourages partnerships between different stakeholder groups and representatives of different regions.
- Can two organisations partner up to submit a proposal?

  Yes, it is possible to co-lead sessions. Co-leads should be limited to 2.
- Can leads submit a proposal in their individual capacity and not as an organisation?

  No, the preference is for proposals submitted by organisations. People can show their interest to participate in the Conference in their individual capacity on the GC3B website.
- How granular should the session proposal be? Does the proposal need to include the questions for speakers?

The GC3B team does not expect session leads to provide a detailed proposal at this stage. If leads already have an idea of the details of the session, they are welcome to include these in their application. Details on the session development can be discussed at a later stage, but leads should provide an explanation on what the session should be aimed at meet.

Are organisations limited to one session proposal?
 No, multiple proposals can be submitted but separately, in order to be reviewed.

• What happens if there are more submissions on the same topic?

The Program Advisory Team may suggest merging the submissions. This will depend on how similar the proposals are in terms of the approach/solutions/speakers.

• When will the selected proposals be announced?

Session Leads should expect an answer during the second week of July. The GC3B team might reach out to the proposals that were not selected, to follow up on potential engagement in other sessions and pillars.

- Are there restrictions on the number of speakers per session?

  Session Leads are responsible for designing the format of the session. The format of the session should be chosen to best meet the goals of the session.
- Can sessions be hybrid with online speakers?
   No, the Conference is designed to be an in-person only. Live streaming options are being considered.

#### • Will there be support for interpretation?

There will be support for French interpretation. The GC3B team is currently considering offering interpretation in Spanish and other UN languages.

### • Will the GC3B team support outreach work (e.g. letterheads for speakers' invitations) and advise on marketing guidelines for promoting the sessions?

GC3B Comms will assist leads by promoting their sessions, through a centralised approach. Invitations to speakers should be sent out by sessions leads, with support from the GC3B team on official letters, if necessary.

#### Can participants register to sessions?

The GC3B is by invitation only, participants are identified in advance and invited officially. Other individuals interested in attending the Conference can express their interest through the GC3B website. Participants to the sessions will be admitted on the first come, first served basis.

### • Will the List of Participants be available ahead of the Conference so that organisations can arrange bilaterals?

In the short term this information will be disclosed on bilateral basis. The GC3B team is currently discussing the implementation of a Conference app. A feature of this app could be to see and get in touch with the other attendants of the Conference.

## • What platform will be used to ensure post-conference knowledge management and exchanges between participants?

The GC3B team is still deciding upon this point. The GC3B website will continue to be active throughout the year and most likely the GFCE Secretariat will coordinate follow up activities.

# • When can session leads leverage financial resources for speakers and should financial assistance be indicated in the proposal?

Financial assistance for session organisation is not a decisive factor for selecting a proposal, the GC3B team is focused on building the best programme. If session leads already know that they will require financial support, they are advised to include this information in their proposal, so that the GC3B team can consider a favourable allocation of resources.

#### • Is travel sponsorship for speakers or participants possible?

The financial resources available are limited. Support for speakers will be prioritized where necessary.

• Will the organisers provide support with the visa applications for speakers/participants? The Ghanian Government has confirmed that they will ensure a smooth visa process for participants to the Conference. Details on the process will follow at a later stage. Visa upon arrival is also an option in Ghana.

More info: GC3B - Program Open Call