Regional Grants Committees

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What is RGC?
RGC Function
RGC Operation

- Central & Eastern Europe & Central Asia (8)
- Northern & Western Europe (9)
- North America (6)
- Latin America & Caribbean (7)
- East, Southeast Asia, & Pacific (11)
- South Asia (7)
- Sub-Saharan Africa (7*)
- Middle East & North Africa (7*)
RGC Selection Process
How important is RGC?

Is RGC an obstacle for grantees?
How proposal reviewed by RGC?

COI?
Review Criteria

1. Overall clarity
2. Impact Potential & Strategic Alignment
3. Organizational capacity and budget
4. Learning and evaluation
RGC Experience
Questions #1

1) How long are the term limits of RGC?

- 2 years with reappointment possible and a note some committees did not have enough volunteers)
- It was also pointed out that the extension is much prioritized since based on past experience, members tend to decline instead of adding up.
Questions #2

What is the eligibility of RGC? answered with the note that there was an update in rules that prevented membership for those receiving affiliate compensation.

Some eligibility criteria can be found in the open calls.  
https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Grants:Committees/Committee_Open_Call_2023#General_Selection_criteria
Questions #3

Is there any guidance for beginners to fill out the application on Fluxx? In this case, is it part of RGC work?

Davit: There are Fluxx tutorials on Meta and WMF can offer Fluxx support. Personally, don't think the RGC should put efforts into providing Fluxx guidance.

Fluxx Tutorials (META)
https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Grants:Knowledge_Sharing#Fluxx_Tutorials

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Questions #4

COI of RGC if they apply for a grant? A committee member from Rwanda has answered that if such instances occur, the members recuse themselves from the decision-making.

COI policy:

Doc version:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/19xS1go4M0Kvihhk925gMGJSsZaLYLfka7eDIlgc7M7k/edit#heading=h.ee6soqkm3v62
Suggestions #1

Improve guidance for filing grant applications when rejected.

You can ask Program Officer in your region:
https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Grants:Community_Resources
Suggestions #2

A suggestion was made to arrange virtual meetings, which would provide both the RGC and grantees with greater clarity.

Video:

360 View of the Grants Process and Q&A with POs & RGCs

Etherpad:
https://etherpad.wikimedia.org/p/-tJGvF10qlQZheI0YXW6