

UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSIONS FOR WESTERN ASIA
STAKEHOLDER STRATEGY FOR THE UN ROAD SAFETY FUND
2022 CALL FOR CONCEPT NOTES

I. Overall approach to UNRSF 2022 Call for Concept Notes

Road Safety is one of the main components of the Integrated Transport System in the Arab States, which includes ESCWA agreements on International Roads and International Railways as well as an MOU on Maritime Transport Cooperation. Since 2017, road safety issues in the Arab region were discussed during all sessions of ESCWA Committee on Transport and Logistics. In 2019, UNRSF selected two projects for funding from ESCWA region (Tunisia and Jordan). In 2020, UNRSF selected an additional regional project for funding from ESCWA region (Tunisia, Lebanon and Qatar (self-financing)).

ESCWA actively participated in the work of the inter-agency task force in charge of the preparation of the plan of action of the new decade. For the future work plan of the second decade of action, ESCWA will give priority to projects that have a significant and sustainable impact, which corresponds to the UNRSF vision.

ESCWA is currently covering 20¹ out of the 22 Arab countries members of the League of Arab States (LAS). However, the present call concerns only the countries which are considered as low and middle-income².

For the UNRSF 2022 call for proposals, ESCWA will focus on the priorities addressed by the UNGA resolution [A/RES/74/299](#), and the areas of interest included in the [Global Plan for the Decade of Action for Road safety 2021-2030](#). Special attention will be paid to projects focusing on improving the safety of youth and of vulnerable road users.

II. Multi-Stakeholder Engagement

ESCWA will accept applications only from governmental entities, strongly encouraged to cooperate with NGOs and/or Academia. Moreover, ESCWA will explore the possibility of potential projects in cooperation with other [UNRSF Participating UN Organizations \(PUNOs\)](#), as well as other regional organizations with possible co-financing with Multilateral Development Banks.

The call for proposals will be shared with the ESCWA focal point ministries inviting submission via email of the brief overviews of projects proposals, of not more than 500 words, together with the name and address of the national focal point. Submissions should be received by e-mails not later than 27 May 2022.

Based on selected overviews, ESCWA will liaise with the potential partners to develop the concept notes of the projects and submit online before 30 June 2022.

III. Contact information

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¹ Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Mauritania, Oman, State of Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

² Based on the list of the [World Bank income classification for 2021](#)