International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims

Healing Together 2027
Call for Proposals

The International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims (IRCT) is pleased to announce Healing Together 2027, a new grant opportunity supported by the European Union through the United Against Torture (UAT) project[1] and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

This call aims to strengthen the provision of high-quality, holistic, survivor-centred and accessible rehabilitation services for torture survivors and their families, in line with the IRCT Global Standards on Rehabilitation.

Who can apply?

This call is open to civil society organisations working with torture survivors, including both IRCT members and non-members.

Priority will be given to organisations based in the Global South.

Applicants must:

- be a not-for-profit civil society organisation, group or programme
- have relevant experience in providing or supporting rehabilitation services for torture survivors
- and complete the IRCT Global Standards on Rehabilitation e-course and Anti-corruption online training.

Each organization can submit one application under this call.

How much funding is available?

Applicants may request a grant between

Minimum: EUR 10,000
Maximum: EUR 29,000

Administrative costs must not exceed **3% of the total budget**. All such costs must be properly documented.

[1] **United Against Torture (UAT)** is a European Union-funded project implemented by a consortium of six international anti-torture organisations: IRCT, OMCT, APT, FIACAT, Omega Research Foundation and REDRESS. UAT aims to strengthen the global anti-torture movement and its capacity to prevent torture, protect people from torture and other ill-treatment, and support torture survivors.

IRCT reserves the right not to award all available funds and may propose adjustments to the requested budget during the selection or contracting process.

Project duration

Projects must have a duration of 12 months, starting on **1 January 2027** and ending on **31 December 2027**.

All project activities and expenditure must take place within this period.

What is the focus of the grant?

This call focuses on rehabilitation services for torture survivors and their families, including medical and psychosocial care, counselling, therapy sessions, psychiatric support and other rehabilitation treatments.

All proposed projects must include rehabilitation activities and align with the IRCT Global Standards on Rehabilitation.

In addition to rehabilitation, each project **must** include **at least one** of the following activity areas:

- **Care4Caregivers+** (https://irct.org/care4caregivers/) activities aiming to protect the mental health and resilience of professionals working in torture rehabilitation. Recognizing the risks of vicarious trauma, PTSD, and burnout across all staff, from clinicians and legal experts to administrative teams, this programmatic area supports projects that promote sustainable staff wellbeing. Proposals should move beyond individual self-care and strengthen institutional practices that foster a culture of care. By investing in those who support survivors, we help ensure the long-term strength of the anti-torture movement.
- **Survivor Engagement** activities, such as building survivors' capacity to become volunteers or staff, involving them in service improvement, advocacy, and developing tools for experience-sharing within the IRCT membership.
- **Livelihood** activities such as vocational training, income-generating programs, and small grants to help survivors regain independence. We strongly encourage proposals that include partnerships with local organisations working in the field of livelihoods.

Projects are also encouraged to develop a communication product that demonstrates the impact of the project, such as a short video, survivor story, photo story, article or other suitable material.

Communication and visibility

All projects must follow the applicable EU communication and visibility requirements. This includes the appropriate use of the logos in communication materials.

Detailed guidance on communication and visibility requirements will be provided to selected organisations during the contracting process.

How do you apply?

Please submit:

- Annex 1 – Application Form
- Annex 2 – Budget Form
- Global Standards on Rehabilitation e-course certificate or screenshot of completion
- Anti-corruption online training certificate or screenshot of completion

Applications and budgets must be submitted in English.

Please send your application to irct@irct.org with the subject line: **"Grant Application: Healing Together 2027 <insert name of your organisation>"**

Application deadline is **29 October 2026 CEST.**

How will Your Proposal be Reviewed?

All proposals will be reviewed by an IRCT Evaluation Committee based on the relevance to the call's objectives, the design and feasibility of the proposal, and the organisation's capacity to manage and implement the project.

Priority will be given to organisations based in the **Global South**.

Selected organisations will go through a financial assessment with the IRCT finance team, if needed.

What are the follow-up requirements?

Successful applicants will sign a grant agreement with IRCT and participate in regular follow-up and peer-learning meetings to support implementation, problem-solving and knowledge sharing.

At the end of the project, organisations will be required to submit a Final Narrative Report and a Final Financial Report, along with the required supporting documents.

Selected organisations will also be required to follow the applicable communication and visibility requirements during project implementation.

What is the time plan?

Please note that the timeline is tentative and may be adjusted if necessary.

Call launch: 7 October 2026
Application deadline: 29 October 2026
Evaluation: 29 October – 25 November 2026
Contracting: 25 November – 19 December 2026
Project implementation: 1 January – 31 December 2027

All times and dates are based on Copenhagen, Denmark local time: CEST (UTC+2) or CET (UTC+1), as applicable.

Where can you find the forms and required trainings?

- Annex 1 – Application Form (download via IRCT website / Fabo)
- Annex 2 – Budget Form (download via IRCT website / Fabo)
- Global Standards on Rehabilitation e-course – [Fabo]
- Anti-corruption online training – [Fabo]

For questions related to the call or the required trainings, please contact mra@irct.org