Call for Applications
Right to Education Index 2016

Overview
RESULTS Educational Fund has opened the call for applications for civil society organizations to be part of the 2016 round of the Right to Education Index (RTEI). RTEI is a global accountability initiative that aims to ensure that all people, no matter where they live, enjoy their right to a quality education. It is a global index built out of the international right to education framework designed to monitor and drive national progress towards its fulfillment. Partners gather the information required to construct RTEI and use those findings to hold governments accountable to their commitments and increase public and political support towards the realization of the right to education. The core of the partnership is around completing the RTEI Questionnaire and developing country briefs based on the findings. More information on RTEI, including the Pilot Report and Pilot Questionnaire, can be found here. A revised Questionnaire will be used for RTEI 2016 and will be made available to partners ahead of data collection. RESULTS Educational Fund seeks to conduct RTEI in 15 countries in 2016.

Timeline
- **June 15**: Partner organizations receive RTEI Questionnaire and materials.
- **June 22, 12:00-14:00 GMT**: Partner organizations participate in a two-hour training call.
- **July 1 – August 31**: Partner organizations complete RTEI Questionnaire.
- **September**: RESULTS Educational Fund reviews results and works with partner organizations to finalize submitted answers.
- **October**: Submitted answers are sent out for anonymous peer and government review.
- **November**: Final results known.
- **December – January**: Partner organizations produce country briefs.

Eligibility
Partner organizations must be able to provide proof of legal status to operate in their country as a non-profit, non-governmental, or charitable organization. Organizations from all geographies are eligible.

Characteristics of Prospective Partners
Preferred characteristics of partner organizations include the following:

- Dedication to the right to education
- History of engagement on education issues
- Working relationship with government and ministry officials
- Experience in collecting information from national reports, documents, and budgets
- Research capacity and a history of producing research/advocacy products that drive national interest and debate around education

**Partner Organization Responsibilities**

Partner organizations will be responsible for the following:

- Review RTEI Questionnaire, complete RTEI e-course (under development), and attend two-hour remote training to prepare for questionnaire completion.

- Submit completed RTEI Questionnaire with supporting sources and documents by August 31.
  - Supporting sources are required for all submitted answers. Information not easily accessible on the internet should be scanned and emailed with the completed questionnaire.
  - Supporting sources and documents will be used to validate the information through an anonymous peer review process.

- Provide names and contact information of five in-country research organizations or education experts who are able to act as peer reviewers of the completed questionnaire.
  - Names provided will be added to the reviewer pool to ensure that the review process maintains anonymity.
  - RESULTS Educational Fund will be responsible for contacting reviewers and managing the review process.

- Provide names, contact information, and consent to reach out to Ministry of Education officials.
  - RESULTS Educational Fund will use this information to reach out to government officials and offer them the opportunity to comment.

- Produce country brief. The brief should be in the form of a 2-4 page analysis using RTEI findings and the RTEI Analytic Handbook to highlight the issues most relevant to your country and your organization. The brief should be public in nature for partner use in national advocacy and will be posted on the RESULTS/RTEI website.

- Complete feedback form documenting challenges faced in completing the RTEI Questionnaire to strengthen the process in future rounds.

**Language**

English is the operational language of the 2016 round of RTEI. This includes:

- Exchanges between RESULTS Educational Fund and partners, via email, calls, and the training call prior to data collection
- RTEI materials from RESULTS Educational Fund
- RTEI Questionnaire responses from partners
- A version of the country brief
Supporting documents supplied alongside RTEI Questionnaire responses can be in original languages. Country briefs should be in the national/local language most useful for advocacy by partners, but an English translation is also required by RESULTS Educational Fund for further availability on the RESULTS/RTEI website.

RESULTS Educational Fund knows the value and necessity for further language capacities around this initiative and regrets that those capacities are not available at this time. Translated materials and additional language capacities are anticipated in future years of RTEI.

**Funding Support**

RESULTS Educational Fund will provide USD $3,500 for RTEI partners to fulfill the above responsibilities. Funds will be administered in two parts and aligned with partner deliverables.

1. Partners will receive USD $2,000 upon RTEI Questionnaire completion, submission, and finalization of responses as acknowledged by RESULTS Educational Fund.
2. Partners will receive USD $1,500 upon completion and submission of their country briefs.

**Selection Process**

Applicants will be reviewed relative to the preferred characteristics listed above by RESULTS Educational Fund. Should a consensus not be reached, RESULTS Educational Fund will consult its global affiliates, at which time selection will go to organizations that have the majority votes.

Fifteen partners will be selected. Partners from all geographies (North and South) are eligible, and a mix of regional representation is desired in final selection. Additional preference will be given to 2015 pilot partners, RESULTS international affiliates, and other organizations that have been actively engaged in RTEI. Organizations that are not selected may be reconsidered in future rounds.

**How to Apply**

Interested organizations should complete the [RTEI Partner Application Form](mailto:rtei@results.org) and submit it to [rtei@results.org](mailto:rtei@results.org) by **Wednesday, May 25, 2016**. Please put “RTEI 2016 Application” in the email subject line. In addition to the form, interested organizations should provide proof of legal status to operate in their country as a non-profit, non-governmental, or charitable organization.

**Deadline**

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

**Notification of Partnership Decisions**

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

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