**USAID Strengthening Civil Society and Media Systems (Sawt) Activity**

**Sawt Media Fellowships Support Program**

**Annex 1 - Program Description**

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| **Applicant General Information** | |
| Applicant Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| Email |  |
| Sex |  |
| **Applicant’s Eligibility Information** | |
| Nationality | *Type here your nationality and attach documentation such as a scan of your ID or passport information sheet.* |
| Current Profession | *Type here a description about your current journalistic or media related working position, including number of years in journalism or media (****not exceeding 50 words****).* |
| Media Organization | *Type here a description about the media organization you are currently working at, include a link to its official website.*  *By typing here, also indicate whether your media organization is led by or affiliated with youth (people ages 10-29), women, persons with disability (PWDs) and other marginalized groups.* |
| Professional Biography | *By typing here, provide a professional biography based on a description (****not exceeding 500 words****) that showcases the following:*  *- Your qualifications, experience, and relevant skills in connection to public interest journalism.*  *- How your career path demonstrates commitment to advancing media's role in civic engagement and participation as well as shaping public policy.*  *- How your career work reflects interest and experience in reporting on one or more of the thematic areas of priority for Sawt (Civic Participation and Engagement, Human Rights, Sustainable and Community Development, Environment and Climate Change), providing 5 examples as minimum through links added here or attached.*  *- List any previous fellowships and events attended, and briefly describing your involvement in them and their impact on your work.* |
| **Fellowship or International Event Information** | |
| Fellowship or International Event Summary | *By typing in here, provide a brief about the identified fellowship opportunity or international event (****not exceeding 300 words****), elaborating the following:*  *- Full title of the fellowship or international event you intend to take part in and a link to its official website.*  *- Date and duration of the fellowship or international event, noting that it should not exceed 12 months.*  *- The language of instruction of the identified fellowship or event (Arabic or English), and your level of proficiency of that language ensuring ability to fully participate and engage in the identified fellowship or event. Note: Sawt will verify language proficiency through interviews with applicants and might ask for additional language proficiency documentation.*  *- Attach proof of acceptance or engagement in an enrolment process.*  *- Explain how this opportunity will contribute to fostering your professional development, increase your ability to produce specialized content, and aligns with Sawt’s thematic priorities.*  *- Explain the professional experiences, international best practices, and comparative insights, expected to be gained.*  *- Explain how the expected gained experience will positively impact your content production abilities and your contribution towards enhancing your media organization’s performance.* |
| **Organization Support and Personal commitments** | |
| Media organization approval and support | *Attach a signed letter of support from your organization, elaborating the following:*  *- A confirmation from an editor, producer, or supervisor that the applicant will be allocated time to participate in all of the identified fellowship’s or event’s activities, and that reports will be published or broadcast in a media outlet.* |
| Applicant’s commitment in return for the support. | *Attach a signed letter of commitment elaborating the following:*  *- Your commitment to producing a minimum of 7 content pieces, or their equivalent depending on the type of your media organization, utilizing knowledge gained through the identified event or fellowship.*  *- Your commitment to strive to transfer acquired knowledge and practices to improve the performance and impact of your media organization as well as the quality and quantity of their produced content.* |
| **Financial Details** | |
| Requested Amount (in USD): | *Type here the proposed total budget requested in USD as listed the Detailed Budget Form.* |
| Budget | *Ensure you complete and send the attached detailed budget form, providing a detailed breakdown outlining the needed funds and their purpose, such as tuition or participation fees, travel and accommodation bookings and costs, equipment needs, and any specialized training ahead of joining the fellowship or event.* |