



**Addressing food safety challenges in the African
informal sector through innovative strategies & use
cases**

**Open Call 2 (OC2) addressed to innovation
hubs**

**Annex 10
Frequently Asked Questions**



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1. Where can I find more details on the Open Call? Any Guide for Applicants?

Open Call Kit (with all relevant documents and instructions) can be found on the FS4Africa website (<https://foodsafety4africa.eu/open-call/>)

2. Are consortia eligible to apply? Or this call is for single entities only?

FS4Africa will only accept applications from a single entity per proposal (no consortia allowed).

3. Are organisations outside Africa eligible?

Yes, provided they demonstrate proven operational experience in Africa, supported by relevant evidence (e.g. partnerships, projects, local presence).

4. Can FS4Africa partners or OC1 beneficiaries apply?

No. FS4Africa consortium members, entities involved in implementation, and OC1 beneficiaries are not eligible.

5. How many activities must be included in the proposal?

Each proposal must include at least six (6) training–mentoring activities:

- At least two (2) targeting OC1 beneficiaries
- At least four (4) targeting FS4Africa Use Cases

6. Is the use of the official templates provided mandatory?

Yes. Applications that do not use the official templates provided will be considered ineligible.

7. How many applications can one entity submit? And how many of them can be selected for funding?

Applicants can participate as single entities only and participate in the call with only one proposal. In case multiple versions of the same application are submitted, only the last version will be evaluated. All the previous ones will not be considered and will be discarded.

8. Can successful applicants receive payment in advance after contracting?

In all selected sub - projects, payments are deliverable based, meaning that the sub-grantees have to deliver a specific report after the end of each phase in order to receive the payment (no pre-financing is foreseen). First payment will take place after the submission, review and acceptance of the first deliverable as outlined in Section 4.1 Implementation timeline and activities of the Applicants Guide.

9. For how long will the platform accept proposals?

The platform will open for proposal submission on May 18th, 2026, and it will remain open until 17:00 CET (Brussels time) on August 31st, 2026.

Interested applicants after they register to the opencalls.fund platform can submit their additional questions to the designated tab FAQ.