

FAQs – CCP Synergy 2022

1. What is CCP Synergy?

CCP Synergy is aimed at strengthening the ties between civil society organisations from Germany and the CCP partner countries. The programme is designed for tandems which are planning on implementing a joint activity, such as public events, fact-finding missions, research activities or artistic initiatives. They can either be implemented online or on site.

For further information, please visit our website:

<https://www.ifa.de/en/funding/ccp-synergy/>

2. What do you have to take into consideration before applying for CCP Synergy?

Please note that your joint activities have to be concluded before 31 October 2022.

3. Can CCP alumni apply for CCP Synergy?

Yes, but not as an individual. CCP Synergy is designed for joint activities of two organisations. CCP alumni are welcome to apply with their home organisation, based in a CCP partner country, and a German partner organisation or vice versa.

4. Can CCP alumni apply for CCP Synergy and an Alumni-Mobility scholarship at the same time?

No, CCP alumni can either apply for CCP Synergy or an Alumni-Mobility scholarship.

5. Can former CCP host organisations apply for CCP Synergy?

Yes, organisations which have hosted a CCP Fellow in the past are welcome to apply for CCP Synergy.

6. Can organisations which were not previously involved in CCP apply?

Yes. The application is open to all organisations which are planning on collaborating with a partner organisation, are active in the fields mentioned below (see question no. 7) and are based in a CCP partner country. Please check our website for more information on the participating countries:

<https://www.ifa.de/en/funding/ccp-synergy/>

7. Do organisations that apply for CCP Synergy have to operate in a specific area?

Yes, the two organisations which apply for CCP Synergy should both operate in one of the following areas:

- Policy and Society
- Media and Culture
- Human Rights and Peace
- Sustainable Development

8. What kind of organisations can apply for CCP Synergy?

There's no specific guideline regarding the legal form of the collaborating organisations. NGOs, registered associations, limited companies, foundations, universities and other organisations are welcome to apply for CCP Synergy.

9. What can the funding be used for?

CCP Synergy funding can be used to finance employees' one-sided or reciprocal short visits, which include travel and accommodation expenses, meals, health insurance, visa fees, Covid-19 test fees, but also expenditure allowances for staff and other costs related to the joint activities. Please note that the funding cannot be used for acquisitions such as technical equipment or internet/online services.

Please also note that bank charges will not be covered by ifa when the grant is disbursed. Please keep this in mind when planning your activities and preparing your estimate of costs.

10. Is it possible to receive more than the total amount of 4,500 EUR?

No, this is not possible. Each collaboration receives a total of 4,500 EUR (i.e., 2,250 EUR for each participating organisation).

11. How will the grant be disbursed?

The grant will be paid in two installments to each participating organisation: 50 % before the beginning of the joint initiative and 50% after the activities have been concluded and both organisations have completed an online survey which serves as a final report.

In certain cases, it is possible to transfer the funds to the German partner organisation only. The funding is supposed to be shared equally among the two collaborating organisations, although ifa will not monitor this process.

12. What do you have to take into account when calculating costs?

In order to get a better idea of the activities outlined in your application, we need you to submit a calculation of costs. Please make sure your estimated costs are exactly 4,500 EUR in total. Please also ensure that your calculation is sustainable and comprehensible.

13. Do you have to submit a financial report or receipts of your expenses?

No, you are not required to submit a financial report or any receipts. But we need you to complete an online survey which serves as your final report after your activities have been concluded.

14. How many people can participate in the exchange?

In general, there are no specific guidelines, but of course the number of participants who can be actively involved in the collaboration depends on the total funding amount of 4,500 EUR, especially if traveling is required.

15. Is there an age limit for the participants from each organisation?

No, there is no maximum age limit for participating in CCP Synergy. The minimum age for participating is 18 years old.

16. Is CCP Synergy a project grant?

No, CCP Synergy is a scholarship that is given to one representative from each of the two collaborating organisations. Normally, scholarships are tax-free. We kindly ask both organisations to check with their administration department if they are allowed to accept the scholarship before applying for CCP Synergy.

17. What happens if international travel is not possible due to the pandemic?

All CCP Synergy participants need to provide a **remote** backup plan for the activity outlined in their application since it is not possible to shift the activities to next year – all activities have to be concluded before 31 October 2022.

18. What happens after the application deadline?

The applications will be reviewed after the application deadline has passed. ifa might reach out to you via email or phone for further inquiries regarding your application; however, selection interviews will not take place.

Candidates will be selected within the following five weeks and notified before 1 June 2022. If you are accepted for the CCP Synergy programme, ifa will set up a Funding Agreement with both organisations which you need to sign, stamp and send back to us via email within two weeks.