

## Small Grants

The Gender and Environment Data Alliance (GEDA) aims to improve availability, accessibility, understanding, and application of quality and robust data and information at the gender and environment nexus. By compiling and amplifying existing gender data and research and identifying gaps, GEDA supports gender-just and evidence-based environment and climate action that meets the needs of all people in all their diversity.

### Scope

Beginning in 2024, **GEDA will provide small grants to directly enable gender-environment data collection, analysis and application.** Grants will contribute to GEDA's efforts to 1) advance systemic, gender-transformative shifts in policy, programming, financing, and planning through data; and 2) elevate the work of excluded actors, promoting and amplifying feminist participatory action research and other intersectional methodologies of data and evidence collection.

In 2024, GEDA is offering **five (5) small grants of USD \$10,000 to \$15,000 each.** The grants will be disbursed in September 2024, for a period of up to one year.

### Supported Activities

Applications will be invited for grants focusing on data production and/or use, linked to GEDA's overall objectives. Projects are encouraged to address one or both of the following tracks:

1. **Data production:** Generate, collect, and/or compile data at the nexus of gender and environment, with emphasis on feminist, grassroots, and community-based data sources and methodologies, including feminist participatory action research. Projects under the data production track may include the collection of quantitative and/or qualitative data using diverse methodologies, with an emphasis on locally-led and participatory approaches.
2. **Data use:** Strengthen capacity, raise awareness, and/or illustrate best practices to catalyze greater uptake and use of quality data and knowledge to promote gender-transformative environment and climate action. Projects under the data use track may focus on policy advocacy, compilation and dissemination of existing data/research through feminist and/or creative approaches, creation of training modules in feminist data methodologies, etc.

These two tracks are indicative and are intended as a guide, rather than prescriptive. The exact scope of each funded activity or project will be determined by each grantee, in line with their institutional priorities around gender and environment data collection, analysis, and/or use.

## Eligibility and Requirements

- For the inaugural 2024 round of small grants, grantees must be part of GEDA (Member, Core Partner, or Data Advisory Group). (Steering Committee members may submit applications, in which case they would recuse themselves from the selection process.)
- Grantees must be institutions (organizations or consultancy firms) **based in the Global South**.
- Projects implemented at the local, national, or regional level are strongly preferred.
- Reporting: A brief narrative and basic financial report will be required of each grantee at the end of the grant period. Templates will be provided by GEDA's Secretariat. For the first round, these reports will be due in October 2025.

## Governance

GEDA is co-convened by the Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO) and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), which together provide the Secretariat function for GEDA. Because GEDA is not yet an incorporated entity, the small grants will be disbursed by WEDO on behalf of GEDA's Secretariat. Each year, the available funds, scope, and grantees are determined by GEDA's [Steering Committee](#) in consideration of GEDA's annual goals, workplan, and budget.

## Guiding Principles

The Small Grants program will be guided by GEDA's overarching [principles](#) of **ambition, inclusion, accessibility, and coherence**. As GEDA's co-conveners are institutions based in the Global North, we recognize and attempt to mitigate the power dynamics and bureaucracy inherent in the flow of funds from North to South. As feminist grantmakers, we adhere to principles of feminist funding, including a low burden of reporting and grantee ownership of the direction and spending of the funds, as well as flexibility and adaptability to respect grantees' health, safety, and security. GEDA's small grants program operates through a collaborative process that empowers those leading change to define what success means and to measure impact both by attribution and contribution.

## How to Apply

- Applicants are invited to submit a brief application by July 22, 2024, via [a Google Form](#), with Microsoft Word as an additional option for accessibility.
- The application form requests basic organizational information as well as an overview of the proposed project, including the relevant GEDA track(s) (data generation or data use), timing, budget, and impact measures.
- If you require the application translated into a language other than English or have other accessibility requests, please contact Katie Tobin at [katie@wedo.org](mailto:katie@wedo.org).

## Timeline

- Application announcement: June 17, 2024
- **Application Deadline: July 22, 2024**
- Announcement of recipients: by August 31, 2024
- Disbursement of funds: by September 30, 2024