**C2S Internal Conversation regarding Funding for Collaboration:**

**Managing Expectations and Communication Flow**

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**Assumptions:**

* Shared/collaborative decision making is preferable to individual responses.
* In principle we believe national collaborative gatherings should be funded internally as far as possible. Regional collaboration training (e.g. MENA, Central Asia) may require limited external help.
* C2S nor its member organizations are foundations or view themselves as funding organizations. From time to time, we may receive donations which could become available occasionally to share. However, this is not a norm, nor is there any guarantee.

**Our process for regions or nations** **requesting assistance:**

* + Guidelines for requests (adapted from GACX) are as follows:



* + These guidelines can be distributed by C2S members outside the roundtable.
	+ Timely response: we aim to respond to requests within 6-8 weeks of receiving the application.

**Our C2S process for handling requests seeking our endorsement and support:**

* Relevant documents will be held in a shared google folder ([HERE](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1kKHMnDjam2V2BSXu6TQJ_4S9nhfmMjl6)) for ease of access by C2S roundtable members.
* One representative of each C2S network will receive the incoming proposal and is asked to respond in 7-10 days should there be reasons the proposal should not receive consideration. If no one objects, the request will come to the next regular 6 wk conversation for response.
* As C2S is represented by younger, non-western persons, hopefully each of our respective networks can provide funding. However requests could come to C2S to consider ways to help financially

**Means of transferring funds:**

* Currently GCPN is willing to provide financial administration without cost.
* Should the GCPN financial administrator find himself unable to continue this role the question will be returned to C2S for another volunteer.

**Other considerations…?**