

GRP Partnership Policy: Offer and Ask

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The Global Resilience Partnership (GRP)

GRP was established in the belief that partnerships are essential in navigating the intricate landscape of global risks and seizing opportunities for building resilience. Starting its journey in 2014 as a collaboration among different resilience stakeholders, the partnership has expanded significantly, currently including more than 80 organisations. Together, our Partners bring a variety of expertise, skills, and perspectives from different domains and sectors, creating a powerful network to address complex resilience issues.

Our Mission: Together with our Partners, we work to advance climate resilience by identifying and scaling locally-led innovations, sharing and generating knowledge, and shaping resilience policy and investments.

Our Vision: We envision an inclusive world in harmony with nature that is better prepared to cope with shocks, adapt to change, and transform – all within planetary boundaries.

Our Definition: Resilience is the capacity to persist, adapt, and transform in the face of change. This is supported by five key attributes that reinforce resilient systems: diversity, redundancy, inclusivity and equity, connectivity, and adaptive learning.

In light of our 2024-2029 Strategy, we have updated our Partnership Policy. This focuses on seeking renewed commitments from our Partners to enhance the impact and sustainability of initiatives, as well as a clearer value proposition of what it means to be a GRP Partner.

The partnership consists of:

1. **GRP Partners** – Organisations active in resilience that share GRP’s vision and values and who have formally joined the Partnership.
2. **Advisory Council** – The Advisory Council is GRP’s independent advisory body, selected from its Partners to enhance GRP’s and its Partners’ capabilities, resources, and networks to increase the scale and impact of their work.
3. **GRP Secretariat** – A small and agile team that convenes and catalyses actions by the Partners and implements specific activities on behalf of the Partnership.

Refreshed Offer and Ask

Our goal is to enhance Partner satisfaction levels, increase levels of collaboration with and through our eight flagship Programmes included in the 2024-2029 Strategy, and identify

relevant co-fundraising opportunities, ultimately aiming to maximise the collective impact of GRP in advancing resilience globally. **Please note the below updates will apply from January 2025 for both existing and prospective partners.**

GRP Offer

Building from the insights gathered from Partner surveys and feedback, GRP remains committed to maintaining the existing offers while introducing additional benefits to our Partners:

- **Access to funding and resource mobilisation** opportunities to stimulate collaborations and resource mobilisation among Partners.
- **Access to policy influencing spaces and events**, including the annual Climate COP, Climate weeks, and other key policy forums.
- **Facilitated knowledge brokering** through the [Resilience Evidence Coalition](#), the [Resilience Platform](#), flagship events such as the [Resilience Evidence Forum](#), as well as key reports such as the [Resilience Evidence Forum Synthesis Report](#) and the [Resilience Hub Synthesis Reports](#).
- **Tailored and demand-driven capacity development** through Leadership Academies for innovators and small and medium-sized enterprises as part of innovation challenges, collaborating with leading business schools, the [South to South Resilience Academies](#), as well as sponsored professional development co-delivered with the [School of System Change](#).
- **Bespoke matchmaking for resilience solution providers, funders, and investors** through Investor Forums and Innovation Challenge Rounds.
- **Facilitated networking, peer learning, and communications with other Partners and the GRP Secretariat** through an Annual Partners' meeting, Partner Spotlight Sessions, and regular invite-only Partner meet-ups and networking events during global events.
- **Media and outreach support for Partners** through diverse platforms such as major events, website updates, social media, mainstream media, and newsletters.
- **Annual Action Report** highlighting progress and providing an overview of our collaborative actions.

Specifically, under facilitated networking and peer learning, we will offer the following calendar of engagements:

- **Virtual Annual Partners' Meeting** where GRP Secretariat, Advisory Council, and Partners will convene. Discussions will revolve around the progress of resilience goals, sharing Partners' programs and collaborations, and exploring recommendations for improvement.
- **Bi-annual Onboarding Sessions:** The sessions are aimed at new Partners joining GRP or existing Partners who would like a refreshed overview of the current strategy,

programmes, and opportunities to collaborate, as well as to meet and network with peers.

- **Partner Spotlight Sessions:** These demand driven sessions offer Partners the opportunity to share their work and get input or feedback in a closed, safe space among peers. Depending on demand, we envision facilitating up to two sessions per calendar year.
- **Regular in-person networking:** Informal meet-ups scheduled during major events such as CBA, Gobeshona, COP, and Climate Weeks will offer Partners the opportunity to connect on a personal level and strengthen their collaborations.
- Partners will receive regular **email updates** (quarterly) and [newsletters](#) (monthly) to keep them informed about ongoing developments and initiatives.

GRP Ask

The following are the expectations from Partners to ensure active participation:

- **In-kind or in-cash contribution:** Partners are encouraged to provide financial support, either in-cash or in-kind, up to USD\$50,000 annually (financial contributions above USD\$50,000 can be contributed to GRP programmes).
- **Learning together:** Partners are encouraged to contribute to regular learning milestones such as a yearly Partnership Learning and Feedback survey. For in-kind contributions, Partners are expected to share a short, yearly summary of their contributions.
- **Proactive collaboration:** GRP seeks active collaboration and participation from Partners, emphasising the importance of working together and learning from each other, regardless of mandates or roles to achieve systemic change and enhance resilience.

How we'll manage contributions

The ask for contributions is a key driver for enhancing collaborative impact and reaching our 2027 and 2030 targets. Every year, we will ask partners about their expected contribution for that calendar year with an estimated value in USD. This process will be an opportunity to discuss with relevant Secretariat team members about areas of potential collaboration that would count towards a contribution. Please note that we will keep individual contributions confidential and that these will not be shared externally.

In-kind contributions

Partners can offer their in-kind support in various ways, providing technical or professional assistance through their resilience building efforts. This may involve co-hosting and collaborating on events and workshops, participating in the co-development of thought leadership programs, contributing mentorship for challenges, participating in development of policy related academic and non-academic knowledge products, linking projects that they are working on to GRP, communications support, and facilitating connections to new

partners or funders. These in-kind contributions will play a crucial role in advancing our goals across programmes and will enable us to evidence the value of partnership. The contribution will be on various projects, including existing projects funded by GRP or leading initiatives that fall outside GRP funding.

For in-kind contributions, we will expect a short annual summary of activities contributed, their outcomes, as well as any indicator progress that can be attributed to the in-kind contribution. Our aim is not to add any significant reporting requirement and to lessen the burden, this exercise will be wrapped into the Annual Feedback and Learning survey starting Jan 2025, ensuring we avoid any onerous reporting asks.

In cash contributions

In cash contributions up to \$50,000 USD will be made as donations to [GRP NPC](#) to support the work of the Secretariat. Higher contributions can be made towards specific programmes – for example, for specific sponsorship opportunities such as for the Resilience Hub, Innovation Challenge windows, or Knowledge Products.

Inclusion Criteria

We are seeking Partners that are working globally or regionally on resilience. This includes organisations working as federations of grassroots organisations, national governments, or multilateral organisations, private sector organisations with a regional or global focus, and organisations that are actively working together with us through one of our programmes.

Exclusion Criteria

Despite being an open collaborative platform, GRP will apply a broad sector-based exclusion criterion. This is also to ensure that GRP policies and practices safeguard the values of the partnership. Partners from the following sectors will not be allowed to join GRP:

- Arms and weapons system
- Fossil fuels
- Production of tobacco and tobacco products
- Promotion or production of pornography
- Harmful chemicals not approved by any major or global regional authority.
- The partnership is not open to individuals or informal groups.