

Call for Expressions of Interest: Needs Assessment *and* Strategic Implementation Review in Ukraine

Commissioning organisation: CBM Christoffel-Blindenmission Christian Blind Mission e.V.

Country: Ukraine

Indicative assignment period: 23 October - 2 December 2026

Application deadline: 14 October 2026, 23:59 CEST

Background

[Christian Blind Mission](#), together with the National Assembly of People with Disabilities of Ukraine ([NAPD](#)) and Momentum Wheels for Humanity ([MWH](#)), is currently implementing humanitarian action in **Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv and Poltava oblasts** from May 2026 to April 2027 funded by The European Commission's Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations. The action focuses on health, rehabilitation and protection, with particular attention to persons with disabilities and other groups facing heightened barriers to humanitarian assistance. For more information, please see: [Ukraine: Restoring Access to Health | startpage](#)

In preparation for potential continuation and adaptation of the action under the 2027 EU Humanitarian Aid funding cycle, CBM intends to commission two complementary assignments:

1. **Objective 1:** Humanitarian Needs Assessment
2. **Objective 2:** Strategic implementation review of the ongoing action [mid-term review]

Applicants may apply for **Objective 1, Objective 2, or both**. CBM may contract one consultant/team for both objectives or separate consultants for each assignment.

The final detailed scope and methodology will be agreed with the selected consultant(s) and will take into account ongoing consultations with the European Commission.

Objective 1: Humanitarian Needs Assessment

The assessment will provide an updated, independent and disability-inclusive analysis of current and emerging humanitarian needs relevant to CBM's response.

It should examine:

- humanitarian needs, vulnerabilities and service gaps;
- barriers to accessing health, rehabilitation, protection, psychosocial, legal and related services;
- needs of persons with disabilities and other at-risk groups;
- availability, accessibility and functionality of relevant services and referral pathways;
- geographic and population groups experiencing significant unmet needs; and
- implications for the focus, targeting and possible adaptation or expansion of humanitarian programming in 2027.

Objective 2: Strategic Implementation/Project Review [mid-term review]

The review will analyse implementation experience from the ongoing 2026–2027 DG ECHO-funded action and identify lessons relevant to its potential continuation or adaptation.

This is **not a final evaluation**, as implementation is ongoing. The review should focus on:

- continued relevance of the intervention approach;
- implementation progress and emerging results;
- accessibility, uptake and perceived usefulness of activities;
- operational strengths, bottlenecks and feasibility;
- functioning of referral, coordination and service-delivery approaches;
- components that may be continued, adapted or strengthened; and
- practical lessons for future programming.

Geographic and Thematic Scope

The assignment will primarily cover the current project areas in **Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv and Poltava oblasts**.

The main thematic areas are:

- health and rehabilitation;
- assistive technology;
- protection and psychosocial support;
- legal assistance;
- access to essential services and referral systems; and
- disability inclusion.

For the Needs Assessment, additional locations may be considered where relevant to future programming.

Expected Approach

Applicants should propose an appropriate and feasible methodology for the objective(s) for which they apply. This may include document review, key informant interviews, focus group discussions, community consultations, facility visits and analysis of available project and secondary data.

The approach must be participatory, conflict-sensitive, disability-inclusive and consistent with safeguarding, confidentiality and Do No Harm principles.

Required Profile

Applicants should demonstrate:

- relevant experience in humanitarian needs assessments, reviews, evaluations or similar assignments;
- experience in conflict-affected settings;
- relevant expertise in health, rehabilitation, disability inclusion, protection and/or MHPSS;
- strong qualitative and/or quantitative research skills;
- excellent analytical and English report-writing skills; and
- capacity to conduct or organise data collection in Ukrainian and Russian.

Experience in Ukraine and with DG ECHO-funded programming is a strong asset.

Application

Applicants should clearly state whether they are applying for: **Objective 1 only, Objective 2 only, or both objectives**.

Applications should include:

- a short cover letter;
- a concise technical approach;
- CV(s) of the proposed consultant(s)/team;
- examples or references from similar assignments;

- confirmation of availability; and
- a financial proposal.

Applicants applying for both objectives should provide separate indicative costs for each objective where possible.

Applications should be submitted via Email in English to **Julia Schönborn**, CBM Programme Coordinator Ukraine (Julia.schoenborn@cbm.org) and **Olha Romaniv**, CBM Project Coordinator (olha.romaniv@cbm.org) by **14 October 2026, 18:00 CEST**.

CBM reserves the right to award the two objectives jointly or separately. The detailed scope, methodology and deliverables will be agreed with the selected consultant(s) before contracting.