



Project Proposal Form

Coordination Group “Building Trust in Post-Conflict Communities”

Rotarian Peace Projects Incubator’s Thematic Area	Building Trust in Post-Conflict Communities through Mine Action
Rotary Focus Area	Peace
Contact: Contact person within your group (responsible for this project proposal)(Name + email)	Dirk Lustig, dirk.lustig@gmail.com
Project Title: Provide a full title (and acronym if any)	Explosive Hazard Clearance in Eastern Ukraine
Project Partners and Participating Organisations: List all your project partner organisations, including participating Rotary clubs and districts if any	Rotary Club Kiev Multinational) Implementation partner: FSD Ukraine
Geographical Scope	Eastern Ukraine
Summary: Please provide a concise summary with a maximum of 500 words outlining the project and explaining the community needs your project will address and how these needs were identified. Ensure that you include what your project aims to achieve (objective) and how (method/procedure). What will be the main outcomes? Explain in a few sentences how you will incorporate the objective of sustainability into your project.	Project Summary: The conflict affected areas of eastern Ukraine are characterised by ongoing combat along the 470km Contact Line that separates the opposing forces in eastern Ukraine that contributes to the explosive ordnance hazard problem on a daily basis. There are a number of small isolated rural communities that exist in the buffer zone (0-20km) along the Contact Line’, that are impacted greatly by the presence of explosive ordnance hazards. In 2019, 59 civilian men, women and children were killed or injured by explosive hazards and official sources indicate that up to 7000km ² in the government controlled areas may be contaminated (there has been no comprehensive survey conducted to date). FSD is currently implementing an explosive ordnance (mines and unexploded ordnance – UXO) clearance project in eastern Ukraine. FSD proposes that Rotary add value to this project by providing funding to support the ‘operational running costs’ of one or more of the existing FSD clearance teams. This approach will eliminate the time consuming and expensive process of training and equipping a new clearance team and will serve to extend the period of performance of the existing grant. This co-financing approach will allow funds to be focussed on clearance activities, rather than the purchase of vehicles and equipment. Objectives: Overall – to contribute to the goal of increasing civilian security by protecting lives and restoring access to farming land and infrastructure. Specific – to enhance the current FSD capacity to conduct mine and UXO clearance activities in the conflict affected communities of eastern Ukraine. Method: identification and subsequent clearance of small, high priority, high impact tasks that block access to key community infrastructure (schools, playgrounds, community areas and farm land) in small, isolated, rural communities near to the Contact Line’. A clearance team engaged in mine

	<p>clearance can clear approximately 4,000 to 5,000m² per month. An indirect outcome is that by addressing of some of the ‘stressors’ of conflict – explosive ordnance hazards, and removal of blockages to key infrastructure, this project will reinforce the benefits of ‘peace’.</p> <p>Sustainability: removal of explosive hazards from the isolated communities allows access to key infrastructure, such as schools and farm land, improves the everyday security of the community, allows access to livelihood activities (farming, pasture land, firewood collection etc) and recreation activities. This will reduce the dependency of the community on outside assistance and attract the return of community members who have been displaced.</p>
<p>Beneficiaries: Who are the beneficiares? Please include the estimated number of direct beneficiaries</p>	<p>Members of mine and UXO contaminated communities close to the ‘Contact Line’. Beneficiary numbers will not be known until the Task Orders for mine and UXO clearance in a particular community are issued to FSD by the government authorities.</p>