What is ALIPH?

Based in Geneva, ALIPH is a non-profit foundation that has been granted the status of an international organization, with the purpose to contribute to the protection of cultural heritage in conflict areas. It is a unique global initiative gathering public and private funders created to financially support initiatives that concern the prevention, the protection and the rehabilitation of cultural heritage threatened or damaged by conflict. ALIPH will prioritize concrete projects with a direct impact on the ground. To learn more about our mission, visit our [website](https://www.aliph-foundation.org).

We will aim at selecting projects that reaffirm the founding principles of ALIPH, including the belief that protecting heritage in conflict areas should contribute to the development of values such as peace and reconciliation, international solidarity, social cohesion and living together, cultural diversity, education and capacity building, local and sustainable development, and gender equality.

Areas of intervention

ALIPH wishes to intervene worldwide, wherever applicants consider and can document the fact that heritage is at risk due to conflict. The notion of conflict is interpreted from a broad perspective to encompass interstate conflicts, civil wars, asymmetrical conflicts, terrorism, violent unrest and other sudden disruptions that lead to instability. Applicants must demonstrate that the heritage targeted was damaged because of conflict, is threatened by conflict or suffered collateral damage from conflict.

In keeping with this conception, ALIPH is also willing to support a large notion of what represents cultural heritage, tangible but also intangible. The applicants will be asked to demonstrate the significance and value for local population or communities of the cultural heritage targeted by the grant.

Purpose

If the heritage targeted by your proposal is at high risk of damage or is deteriorating quickly, ALIPH can finance urgent actions such as stabilization or rehabilitation measures. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that the situation is critical, and that waiting until the next call for projects would have dramatic effects on the concerned cultural heritage. These grants aim at supporting short term and quickly implemented urgent actions to respond to compelling needs on the ground. Applicants will be requested to submit a brief and precise proposal.

Apply for emergency relief **only if you can demonstrate the urgent need and capacity to act promptly**. Otherwise, please apply through the calls for projects.
Timeline

Application will be possible throughout the year. ALIPH will be able to give the final answer within a month, provided the application is complete.

Amount

A maximum of USD 75,000. Budget needs to be submitted in USD.

Language

Proposals must be submitted in English.

Eligible institutions

- Institutions in charge of the protection, conservation and promotion of cultural heritage
- International, intergovernmental, and national institutions
- Private organizations (foundation, NGO, non-profit, charity, associations, etc.)

Eligible actions

ALIPH finances projects in three areas with specific expected outcomes.

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Requirements

ALIPH aims at providing a prompt answer to your application. To reach this objective, you must ensure that you include all necessary and accurate information to enable an informed decision. Anything that can help us understand the situation and the feasibility of the project will be extremely helpful.

The main criteria listed below must be shortly be demonstrated.

- **Urgency**
  We must understand why it is urgent to act. In your application, explain why the intervention must happen quickly. Pictures of the damages can be of great value to demonstrate the urgency.

- **Capacity to implement**
  You must demonstrate that you have the capacity to implement the project promptly and that you have a clear understanding of the local situation.

- **Feasibility and sustainability**
  The solution you propose to protect heritage must be based on solid considerations. Your project should take into consideration technical and scientific aspects. A precise budget is mandatory.