I. Background and proposal

Sexual violence in public spaces puts limitations on the Right to the City for women and girls, a right that is guaranteed by SDG 11 (cities and human settlements that are inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable) and by SDG 5 (gender equality and girls' and women's empowerment), both present within Agenda 2030.

Looking at the phenomenon of urban violence from a gender perspective, the Right to the City is based on two main ideas. On the one hand, citizens’ participation and, on the other, on the ownership claimed by these citizens of public space. The impact of violence on both these conditions is clear, with different consequences on the bodies of women and girls.

At the metropolitan level, responsibility for the achievement of the Right to the City for all citizens lies with multiple actors. On the one hand, governments, and in particular local and metropolitan governments, are accountable and, on the other, so are the different urban actors, whose commitment is crucial in building inclusive metropolises.

Through the approval of the Metropolis Action Plan 2018-2020, gender politics have been incorporated into the association's agenda. This promotes initiatives and instruments aimed at garnering a more accurate understanding of how metropolitan governments deal with the challenge of eradicating violence against women and girls within public space.

Last February, as part of UCLG's Retreat in Barcelona, the first conclusions of Metropolis's latest project on this subject, titled ‘Safety and public space: Mapping metropolitan gender policies” were presented. Today, we are launching a call for the project's second phase, which aims to give continuity and further the analysis of metropolitan policies to tackle sexual violence against women and girls in public space.

Relatedly, said second phase also attempts to complement the initial policy analysis and instruments in order to systematize and facilitate the establishment of gender safety, considering regional context.
II. Objective

To construct a methodology and instruments for the systematization and analysis of safety and public space policies detected by 32 members of the members analyzed during the first phase of the project; as well as mapping, systematization and analysis of the policies implemented by 12 new metropolises to combat sexual violence in the public space.

III. Stages and products

The project is divided into three stages:

Stage 1:

- The design of a methodology for the analysis and systematization of the public policies implemented by the 32 members of Metropolis that took part in the first phase of the project.
- The design of a model of information document for the systematization of the initiatives and instruments found that correspond to each of the 32 analyzed members.

Targets:

- A methodological proposal for the analysis and systematization of the policies implemented by the 32 members of the association during the first phase of the project.
- A model of information sheet for the systematization of policies implemented by the 32 members of the association during the first phase of the project.
- A brief analytical document, resulting from the data entry, with a maximum length of 10 pages.

Stage 2:

- Research and analysis of the initiatives developed by the 12 new members to combat sexual violence against women and girls in public space.
- Support in the process of sending the questionnaire to the 12 new members. Correspondence will be carried out in each individual member's official language, chosen among the association's three options: Spanish, English and French.

Targets:

- A model of questionnaire for the purpose of information gathering.
- A minimum of 12 new sheet, one for each additional member.
- A brief analytical document, resulting from the data entry, with a maximum length of 10 pages.
Stage 3:

- Final analysis of safety gender indicators and initiatives detected.
- Drafting of a technical proposal for the presentation of the project.

Targets:

- A final analytical paper, with a maximum length of 25 pages.
- A concept note proposal for the launching session that will take place within the framework of the Metropolis World Congress in 2020 in Guangzhou.

IV. Policies and regions to be prioritized

Policies presented must be limited to the 32 Metropolis members that participated to the first phase of the project and to the 12 additional members who are yet to be analyzed. The second phase will especially focus on the latter, with a strict limit of 4 metropolises for each of the following regions: Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa and Asia Pacific.

V. Technical information:

- **Budget**: The budget available for the second phase of the ‘Safety and public space: Mapping metropolitan gender policies’ project consists of **15,000 Euros** (including tax).

- **Calendar**: The project will be carried out between the following months: **October 2019 – June 2020**.

- **Languages**: The advising team will be expected to be able to communicate fluently in the three languages of work of the association: Spanish, English and French. The final project, however, can be drafted and presented in any of the three above languages.
VI. **Selection criteria:**

Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- **Pertinence:** the proposal is aligned with the mission and vision set by the association as well as with its action lines and strategic objectives.

- **Gender equality:** the applicant person or organization must already be implementing plans, protocols or other instruments to ensure gender equality in his/her/its place of work.

- **Environment:** the applicant person or organization must be committed to environmental protection.

- **Regional provenance:** priority will be given to applicant persons or organizations whose teams come from or include people from countries that are considered low income or lower-middle income, according to current World Bank rankings. For reference, see here.

- **Composition of the research team:** The applicant team meets the criteria of parity among its members.

- **Budgetary compliance:** the proposed cost must be within the available budget (see above for details).

- **Competence:** the applicant is able to demonstrate superior competence in gender and public policy analysis.

- **Professional experience:** the applicant is able to demonstrate a high level of experience in the fields of gender and public policy.

- **Academic experience:** the applicant is able to demonstrate a high level of research experience in the fields of urbanism and gender.

- **Language skills:** the applicant demonstrates fluency in the three languages of work of the association: Spanish, English and French.

VII. **Application:**

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- **Documentation to be submitted**
  - Project proposal
  - Presentation of the applicant organization and team

- **Deadline:**
  Applications will be considered until **14 October 2019**.

Documents relating to the tender will have to be sent to Metropolis via email to Ms Silvia Llorente, Project officer for gender mainstreaming, (sllorente@metropolis.org) up until the deadline specified above. No offers will be considered after said deadline, unless otherwise indicated on the association’s media channels.