

**ERASMUS+ PARTNER IDENTIFICATION FORM OF RETMAC FOUNDATION**

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| **PARTNER ORGANISATION** | | | |
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| Registration No | | INDR122811427NB | |
| Full legal name (Latin characters) | | RELIEF TEENAGE AND MARITAL COUNSELING FOUNDATION | |
| Acronym | | RETMAC-F | |
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| **PROFILE** | | | |
| Type of Organisation | | | Non-governmental Non-for-profit Organization |
| Is the partner organisation a public body? | | | No |
| Is the partner organisation a non-profit? | | | Yes |
| Main sector | | | Health |
| Other | | | Empowering teenagers, youth and people living with HIV economically and fighting for their rights. |
| **ACCREDITATION** | | | |
| Has the partner organisation received any type of accreditation before submitting this application? | | | Yes |
| Accreditation type Accreditation reference | | | HIV prevention and care at work place under Health and safety.  Sogea Satom Kampala Uganda |
| **C. BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE** | | | |
| Please briefly present the partner organisation. | Relief Teenage and Marital Counseling Foundation is a Non-Governmental Organization which was established in 2013 after the realization of demand for comprehensive counseling which equips the counselors with different types of counseling like teenage counseling, sexually transmitted disease prevention counseling, marital counseling and child counseling. On addition we saw a need to do a lot in Hepatitis B prevention services.  The Institution is registered by NGO Board with Registration Number INDR122811427NB NGO board Companies ACT (CAP 110) under the 1989 Statute through Ministry of Health.  We were registered with the mandate of accessing Marital Counseling, Teenage Counseling, Cervical Cancer Awareness and Screening, Reproductive Health, Hepatitis B and HCT among others to young people. Retmac-Foundation is located at Namirembe along Willis Road (Church Village). It was officially registered in 2014 with the aim of creating awareness and healthy friendly programs.  Our major programs are HIV, Hepatitis B prevention, youth and women empowerment.  The institution has implemented programs through friendly based approaches with the technical team of 20 Full Time Staff, 06 Part Time Staff, 05 Support Staff and 20 Volunteers. The team work closely to achieve the goals and objectives of the organization. RETMAC has reached out and served **over 60,850 people** both young people and adults since 2014 through in and out of school programs with **75%** of youths and women. In this arrangements support groups are formed for on-going care among themselves in community and business Company NGOs/CBO/Faith Based Institutions and Schools.  The Organization intends to reach out to the underserved communities targeting both rural and urban communities including HIV/AIDS at Workplace. In partnership with partner organizations, **Retmac** is working towards the UNAIDS Strategy 90/90/90 by 2030. Due to that **Retmac** is fighting to serve 250,000 people per annum. Our target population is the young people between the ages of 10 to 30 years.  This initiative was after viewing the findings indicating that, teenagers are greatly infected and affected by HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. In Africa, Uganda was rated one of the countries having the highest infection in Africa and 1st in East Africa with the highest number of youth infected with HIV/AIDS age between 15 -24 years by the year 2014 and 70% of these are not born with it. This implies that we still have a lot to do with issues of growing up (Adolescence), behavioral change communication, Health and discipline in and out of school.  Most schools/institutions focus on academic performance and most additional areas like counseling services are not much considered. This package contributes greatly to discipline and health of young people in order to prevent school dropouts and prepare future citizens through care and support.  ***OTTO:*** Strengthening families to build a healthy community.  ***VISION:*** A healthy generation, morally upright and economically powerful.  ***MISSION***: Building a preventive culture to improve health, social and economic standards of people in a community and exhibit the behaviors that advance a health community.  ***GOAL:*** To have a disease free, economically empowered and informed generation for development.  ***AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ORGANIZATION***  To formulate and implement teenage and youth initiatives towards positive health and social economic development.  To prevent and reduce the incidence of HIV/AIDS among the youth, families and working communities in general.  To strengthen the livelihood of teenagers and youth in order to prevent poverty.  To promote gender based related services among different communities.  To create awareness and prevention of Hepatitis ‘B’ in communities.  Cancer awareness among different age groups in the communities.  To reduce the incidences of sexually transmitted infections and teenage pregnancies in schools and communities.  To fight for the rights of women, and young people and children and empower the mothers economically in order to support family survival.  To initiate and implement projects for promotions of sustainable development in families.  To support and extend care to the young population with HIV to leave a longer life.  ***CORE VALUES:***  Equal and effective service delivery to all.  High level of integrity.  Time management.  Result oriented.  Team spirit. | | |
| What are the activities and experiences of the organisation in the areas relevant for this application? | Youth entrepreneurship skills.  Here at Retmac we train youth to acquire different skills in order to earn a living and being creative to to make a difference.  Pre –Marital and marital counseling.  We also do the above counseling to prepare couples for marriage and also to make those already in marriage be able to solve issues among them in order to have peaceful homes.  Teenage and youth counseling. Etc  In teenage counseling we give information about abstinence and address home issues that are troubling these teenagers, health issues and dangers of early sex and growing up changes.  For a period RETMAC has worked, we have served and partnered with different companies and NGOs to fight HIV/AIDS and other related infectious diseases. Among the institutions include Wellcare Company since 2013 to-date, Sogea Satom, government institutions like Ministry of Gender, schools, churches and families  We have partnered with different organizations like Uganda Youth Skills Training Organization in projects with youth empowerment, Naguru Teenage and Health Centre in Teenagers Health especially HIV prevention in Schools and prevention of early pregnancies.  We have partneredwith schools in work with teenagers and youth to initiate health clubs and hand work like making of beaded necklaces, bags and craft shoes.  Children protection from unhealthy conditions, violation of their rights, and illiteracy.  In children we support orphans and vulnerable children to achieve their rights  Especially a right to a home because we attach them to different guardians then we continue to support them with education, clothing, nutrition and medical care. We always support them | | |
| What are the skills and expertise of key staff/persons involved in this application? | Executive Director and C.E.O  Name: Namatovu Grace  A masters degree in Human rights of makerere University.  A bachelor's degree in Development studies of Ndejje University.  A post graduate certificate in project planning and management.  A certificate in HIV counselling and testing.  A certificate in community based work with children and the youthOF Nsamizi institute of social development.  A certificate in I.C.T  Grace is the founder of RETMAC Founder works as the executive director and HIV program coodinator.  Grace has worked with different organizations in HIV counselling as a counselor and prevention office for 10 years. She has also worked in economic empowerment of different vulnerable groups for more than 5 years.  She has also successfully managed and coordinated projects for HIV, youth and women entrepreneurship.  Legal Representative – ( Female)  Name: PATRICIA. AINOMUGISHA.  She is qualified with a bachelor's degree in Law at Uganda Christian University. She holds a certificate in community based work with Childre and the youth of Nsamizi institute of social development.  She holds a certificate in information and communication Technology..  Patricia has successfully led teams of young people in empowerment and in knowing their rights and the law so to build their confidence in defending their rights and referral to legal systems that can help.  NAME: MATOVU ISRAEL  Qualified with a bachelors degree law at Uganda Christian University.  He is a rights protection and advocate officer for the youth at RETMAC Foundation.  Project Manager ( Female)  Name: JESCA BIIRA  She holds a bachelor's degree in project planning and entrepreneurship of Uganda Christian University.  She also holds a certificate in HIV teenage counselling of AIDS Information Centre.  Jesca has led youth and teenagers in training to acquire different skills to start own business and is good at encouging those groups to work towards development of their lives and society and encourages passing on the skill to others by training others.  Project coordinator. (Female)  Name: Nakyiyimba Cissy.  This one holds a diploma in clinical medicine and a certificate  in project planning and management.  She also holds a certificate in clinical psychology.  This is a medical worker that ensures health of every beneficiary through follow ups and also encourages prevention especially of sexually transmitted infections.  She also manages health and safety during projects with first aid and treatment of injuries that have occurred during project implementation to all staff and beneficiaries.    Youth Worker (MALE)  Name: Katerega Keefa  Holds a bachelor's degree in community development of Makerere University.  Holds also a certificate in I.C.T  Keefa is concerned with working in the community to ensure the safety of the project to the community people and that teaching the community members about the benefits of the project so they people support it.  Keefa also is concerned with community mobilization of beneficiaries by introducing the project to parents and guardians to accept and support it.  RETMAC YOUTH TRAINER and Head of our partner organization.  Name: Bob Maahe .  He holds a technical HDC (Higher diploma in Building, Construction and Civil Engineering) Equivalent to bachelors.  Bob has a wide knowledge, competences and skills in working in communities and with an expertise of over 15years working with young people (youths) and women, with fewer opportunities and disadvantaged groups of people. Bob having worked as a coordinator and a youth worker in several EU Erasmus + projects at Uganda Youth skills training organization, for a long time, avails him the capacity of coordinating other projects not only for EU Erasmus + funded projects but also from other funding agencies. So due to the fact that he has experience in EU projects, he is good to coordinate and train EU project beneficiaries even for other organizations like ours which has never been part of EU or Erasmus + program.  Administrator  Fahad Sevume:  Accounting and Admin.  Fahad is always concerned with financial issues and accounability part of the project in reporting for the different projects and is always part of monitoring.  Youth Worker/ Designer  Name: Jingo Richard.  He holds a diploma in project monitoring and evaluation of Nkozi University.  Diploma in plumbing and metal works.  Richard is good at project monitoring and evaluation to ensure right truck, effectiveness to all beneficiaries and efficiently impacting to the community.  Psychologist or counsellor.  Name: Carol Kyomukama  Holds a bachelor's in Counselling and guidance of Makerere University.  A certificate in community psycology  She leads the counselling of the young people involved in the projects to ensure no challenges faced by beneficiaries that can hinder their benefits.  Project Health and safety worker:  Name: Ighala Faith  Holds a bachelor's degree in Health and safety engineering.  Faith is the officer that has for 4 yera s worked with us to ensure no infections, injuries, accidents, or pain inflicted to any beneficiaries from community members of the project area or the benefiaries to infect, injur, impregnant or cause any pain to the community member through violence or any other mode.  She also ensures that the project has no harm to the community like pollution or unhygienic conditions. | | |
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**Projects funded in last 3 years**

| Programme or initiative | Contracting promoter | Title of the project |
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| Workplace HIV/AIDS AWARENESS PROJECT. | Sogea Satom and National Water.  2018- 2020  Ref no NWSC-HQRS/ WORKS/16-17/162230 | HIV Awareness for project ( Kampala-Katosi transmission Mains) |
| NUTRITION SUPPORT FOR HIV+  Kampala | AHF  ( AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION)  Los Angeles  2020 | HMACS Project (HIV Mothers and Children Support) |
| NUTRITION SUPPORT FOR HIV+  Rural  Mityana | AHF  (AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION)  Los Angeles  2021 | HMACS RURAL(HIV Mothers and Children Support Rural) |
| Women empowerment in Covid 19 | RETMAC-F  Uganda  2021 | WEP for DEV (Women Empowerment Project for Development) |