

Recognition of CHS Verification by Funders. Status 2025-10-30

Name	Organisation Type	How	Accepted CHS verification option		
			Certification	Independent Verification	Self-Assessment
Denmark, Danish Emergency Relief Fund (DERF)	Government/Public	Requires organisations to adopt the CHS. CHS Certification and Independent Verification automatically qualifies partners.	✓	✓	
Denmark, Ministry of Foreign Affairs/DANIDA	Government/Public	Independent quality assurance against the CHS is a prerequisite for funding.	✓	✓	
European Commission, Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO)	International Organisation	DG ECHO accepts Humanitarian Partnership and Programmatic Partnership Assessments submitted by HQAI as ex ante auditor. FPA auditors other than HQAI may use HQAI audit information to fill the ECHO ex-ante FPA.	✓	✓	
Germany, German Federal Foreign Office (GFFO)	Government/Public	GFFO accepts the 3 CHS Verification options to shorten partner capacity assessment.	✓	✓	✓
Ireland, Irish Aid	Government/Public	CHS verification is a minimum requirement for partners to apply for and obtain funding under Irish Aid’s multi annual funding .	✓	✓	✓
Luxembourg, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs	Government/Public	CHS is referenced in Luxembourg’s Humanitarian Action Strategy. Only CHS certified organisations are eligible for financial support by Luxembourg.	✓		
Netherlands, Dutch Relief Alliance (DRA)	Non-Governmental Organisation/Pooled Fund	Independent quality assurance against the CHS is a prerequisite for funding.	✓	✓	
Sweden, Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Government/Public	In order to support quality and transparency work, Swedish civil society organisations can apply for up to 80% of their costs for the Humanitarian Quality Assurance Initiative (HQAI) CHS certification.	✓		
Sweden, Radiohjälpen	Non-Governmental Organisation/Pooled Fund	Applicant and implementing organisations are required to be CHS-certified or possess equivalent documented competence.	✓		
Switzerland, Swiss Solidarity	Private Foundation/Pooled Fund	Aid organisations verified against the CHS have access to streamlined partner capacity assessments.	✓	✓	✓
United Kingdom, Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC)	Non-Governmental Organisation/Pooled Fund	Independent quality assurance against the CHS is a prerequisite for funding.	✓	✓	
United Kingdom, Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO)	Government/Public	CHS certification audits are considered as primary source of information in due diligence assessments in-country. Organisations should ensure funding proposals adopt the CHS among other standards. FCDO supports CHS SEAH initiatives and HQAI verification work.	✓		