

PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Date: 06 January 2022

Country: Kenya

KEN/IC/001/2022

CONSOLIDATING GAINS AND DEEPENING DEVOLUTION IN KENYA

Joint Devolution Programme (JDP) Mid-Term Evaluation Governance Expert.

Period of assignment/services: 45 working days within a period of four months

Firms are not eligible for this consultancy assignment. Open to National Individual Consultants only.

Background

Kenya's devolved system of governance, which was instituted with the creation of 47 counties in 2013, offers great promise towards addressing issues related to marginalization, equity, accountability, environment and climate change. The first five years of devolution (2013-2017) provided for the rapid and effective establishment of the county governments. This was followed by the second phase (2018–2022) which focuses on the installation of capacity at national and county levels to address these social, accountability, and environmental issues.

Human development since the advent of devolution has significantly improved. The improvement has been uneven across counties, with the vastly arid and semi-arid northern frontier counties lagging. Poverty rates remain above 80% in these remote, arid and sparsely populated counties where poverty levels adversely affect women, children, marginalized communities and other vulnerable groups.

In order to address the urgent human development challenges of the most marginalized, UNDP, UN Women and UNICEF incepted the Consolidating Gains and Deepening Devolution in Kenya Programme (Joint UNDP-UN Women-UNICEF Devolution Programme) to target 14 of the most marginalized counties directly. The programme has supported the 14 counties to develop and implement policies, plans and strategies that address equity, accountability and environmental issues while at the same time streamlining revenue collection and budgeting processes.

The programme is implemented by National and County Government partners, with one component being implemented by non-state actors, through a national implementation modality (NIM). Some of the partners include the Ministry of Devolution and ASALs (MoDA), State Department for Gender Affairs, Council of Governors (CoG), Kenya School of Government (KSG), the County Assemblies Forum (CAF), Commission on Revenue Allocation, Office of the Auditor General, Office of the Controller of Budget, Kenya Institute of Policy Analysis and Research (KIPPRA) and Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS).

The programme is founded on the realization that devolution and marginalization are complex issues that are best addressed through a joint programme combining the strengths of multiple UN agencies, national government stakeholders and county government institutions with expertise in key sectors and lead roles in the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals. The Joint programming was also a recommendation for both the mid-term evaluation of the Strengthening Devolved Governance in Kenya project and the terminal evaluation of the Integrated Support to Devolution Project.

The deliverables of the assignment are:-

- Inception report
- Key tools and methodology and draft
- Final report

Qualifications and Evaluation Criteria (Minimum 70 points)

Criteria	Weight	Max. Points
	100%	100
Advanced degree in Project Management, Strategic Management,	20%	20
public policy, monitoring and evaluation, gender or other relevant		
disciplines		
At least 7 years of professional experience in devolved governance,	20%	20
gender, human rights or results-based evaluations, with a		
demonstrable bias to gender and social inclusion		
At least five years' experience in conducting programmatic	20%	20
evaluations of complex projects in the development sector in		
developing countries		
Solid understanding of evaluation methodologies, and/or proven	15%	15
expertise of research in fields relevant to the evaluation		
Demonstrable knowledge of and ability to apply theoretical	10%	10
knowledge in the design, management and evaluation of complex		
multidisciplinary projects supported by multiple development		
partners		
Have a strong understanding of the devolved governance context in	10%	10
Kenya		
Exposure to the UN system will be an asset	5%	5

Application Process

Applicants are requested to submit their all-inclusive fee proposal in Kenya Shillings using the financial proposal template provided (Offeror's letter to UNDP). The financial proposal should be all-inclusive and include a breakdown. The term 'all-inclusive' implies that all costs (professional fees, travel related expenses accommodation, communications, utilities, consumables, insurance, etc.) that could possibly be incurred by the Contractor are already factored into the financial proposal.

Interested and qualified candidates should submit their applications which should include the following:

- 1. Detailed Curriculum Vitae
- 2. Proposal for implementing the assignment template provided
- 3. Offeror's letter to UNDP- template provided

Note: Email attachments must not exceed 5MB. Please split files if they exceed this size.

The successful applicant will be required to complete a UNDP Personal History Form (P11) form prior to contracting.

Applications should be sent to <u>consultants.ken@undp.org</u> to reach us not later than Wednesday, 19 January 2022 5.00P.M Kenyan Time (GMT+3.00)

Please quote **"KEN/IC/001/2022–Governance Expert for JDP Mid Term Evaluation"** on the subject line.

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