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# TERM OF REFERENCE (ToR) FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT (IC)

## **GENERAL INFORMAION**

Services/Work Description: Training of ADRS Staff on ADRS Mechanisms in relation to Mediation, Conciliation and Negotiation.

Project/Program Title :Community Access to Justice

Post Title: International Consultant
Consultant Level: Level B (Specialist)

**Duty Station:** UNDP Gambia Country Office **Expected Places of Travel:** Online Training on ADRS

**Duration:** 30 working days

**Expected Start Date:** September..., 2022/ Immediately after Concluding Contract Agreement

#### I. BACKGROUND / PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), UNFPA and UNICEF, in partnership with the Government of The Gambia are implementing a Community Access to justice Project inThe Gambia. The Joint Project endeavors to implement a holistic and comprehensive program which addresses both the supply and demand sides of justice delivery. The Joint Project seeks to strengthen rule of law institutions, Children, Women and Social Service providers to deliver quality services, to empower citizens in the exercise of their rights and to increase access to justice and social services.

The Joint Project's implementing partners are the Ministry of Justice, the Judiciary, the Gambia Police Force, the Gambian Prisons Service, the National Agency for Legal Aid (NALA), CSOs, NGOs, the ADR Secretariat, the Gambia Bar Association, Ministry of Women Children and Social Welfare. The Project has three outcomes and these are: improved access to justice especially for women and children who are victims of serious human rights violations; establishing community policing initiative for the prevention of serious human rights violations and protection of survivors; strengthened justice service delivery system for citizens, particularly victims of human rights abuses.

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Secretariat (ADRS) is mandated under the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Act of 2005 to provide decentralized services and facilities to those wishing to settle their civil disputes. ADRS is used primarily for rural citizens, the majority of whom are poor and turn to traditional means to resolve dispute. Despite the ADRS being the most preferable means of addressing disputes within The Gambian context, the secretariat remains understaff with limited capacity to address most of the disputes that are brought before the secretariat. However, there are only a few certified mediators and nearly as few who have received formal training on ADR. Many of those who have received training did so over a decade ago and have received little to no follow-up training. It is against this backdrop, that UNDP at the request of ADRS intend to upscale the capacity of ADRS staff through a certified online platform that will equip the staff with the necessary skills to mediate and resolve dispute within communities to enhance peace and social cohesion.

The training endeavors to increase access to justice under Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16: "Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels."

## **II. SCOPE OF THE WORK**

According to the relevant stakeholders, the lack of capacity of the ADRS staff is a contributing factor as to while most cases at community level are left unaddressed or not fully address since the staff does not have the required skills in addressing some of the complex cases that comes before the secretariat.

As part of the effort to improve alternative dispute resolution mechanism, ADRS have requested UNDP support for a comprehensive online capacity building training to strengthen the mediation of cases particular complex disputes. Based on this training, the staff will be in a better position to mediate and train community members on mediation for dispute resolution.

To that end, UNDP seeks the service of aInternational consultant to conduct an online training for the six (6) ADRSstaff, The training must include but is not limited to the following

## **Specific tasks**

- **1.** Organize Consultative meeting with the taskforce including survivors and beneficiaries of the existing SGBV structures.
- **2.** Develop a draft questionnaire for the interview and shared with the taskforce for inputs, and final draft questionnaire share with the taskforce for validation.
- **3.** Production of a 40 to 45 minutes documentary of all SGBV stakeholders' representatives from the justice sector, security sector, social workers, psychologist, survivors/victims and those relevant to the course.
- **4.** Document all the existing one stop centers, structures for reporting SGBV offenses
- **5.** Conduct and film interviews of beneficiaries of the initiatives, social workers, justice actors Add on video and photo materials from archives if necessary
- **6.** Editing and post-production of raw materials (including voice over, music, etc.)
- **7.** Subtitling in English
- **8.** Develop graphics, etc. (if necessary)
- **9.** Share the first draft of the documentarywith the taskforce and organize final validation meeting.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The specific objectives are to raise awareness on the existing SGBV structures and build trust with the community to break the culture of silence, stigma, and shame associated with victims/survivors of SGBV to encourage reporting and prosecution of SGBV related offenses. To ensure that the justice institutions, NGOs, and CSOs are more sensitive in dealing with SGBV cases for the perpetrators to be held accountable.

- 1. The best methodology to resolve disputes.
- 2. Enhance understanding of the different types of ADR Mechanisms especially Mediation, Conciliation and Negotiation.
- 3. Enhance capacity of the ADRS in dealing with ADR and disputes settlement.
- 4. Understanding typology of responses to conflicts and the ADR Spectrum

## **Objective**

The objective of this training is to strengthen the capacity of ADRS staff to improve mediation at community levels as well as peaceful co-existence between community members.

The expected outputs for this assignment are

- 1. An inception report detailing the work plan with clear activity deliverables
- 2. Facilitate consultation with stakeholders on drafting the online training required by stakeholders
- 3. Conduct online training of 6 ADRS staff

## **III. EXPECTED OUTPUTS AND DELIVERABLES**

No.	Deliverables / Outputs	Estimated Duration to Complete	Review and Approvals Required
1	Submission of Inception Report, results of Capacity Assessment for target participants and schedule of		UNDP
	trainings		

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2	Submission of draft Training Modules					2 Working days	UNDP	
3	Submission	of	final	training	report	with	25 Working days	UNDP
	recommendations							

Indicators to evaluate the consultant's performance All deliverables/outputs must be submitted in English and meet the satisfaction of the UNDP RoL project according to the following indicators:

- ✓ Quality of the deliverable produced
- ✓ The evaluation of the consultant's performance (the quality of the reports and products, the technical competence shown, and the timeliness of the reports) will be determined by the UNDP RoL.

## IV. INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT / REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

UNDP, through the project manager for the RoL project will manage and oversee the process. The consultant would oversee and submit the deliverables to the UNDP.

## V. LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO PROSPECT IC

N/A

#### VI. DURATION OF THE WORK

a. The duration of the consultancy is **30 working days.** 

## VII. QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SUCCESSFUL INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTOR (IC)

## a. Academic Qualifications:

- ✓ Advanced university degree in law, certified holder of Alternative Dispute Resolution or a related field.
- ✓ A combination of relevant academic qualifications and experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree

## .b. Years of experience

- ✓ Minimum 10 years of progressively responsible professional experience in alternative dispute resolution and experience in the region.
- ✓ Minimum 5 years working experience in facilitating online trainings/workshops on alternative dispute resolution.
- ✓ Prior experience working for UNDP and knowledge of its programmatic structures is an added advantage

#### c. Competencies:

 Demonstrable competency teamwork, excellent communication, analytical, writing and editing skills.

## d. Language and other skills:

- Excellent knowledge of English
- Capacity to communicate fluently with different stakeholders
- e. Compliance of the UN Core Values:
- Demonstrates integrity by modelling the UN's values and ethical standards
- Fulfils all obligations to gender sensitivity and zero tolerance for sexual harassment.

#### **Important Note:**

The Consultant is required to have the following professional and technical qualifications. **Only the applicants who hold these qualifications** will be shortlisted and contacted.

## **VIII. CRITERIA FOR SELECTING THE BEST OFFER**

Upon the advertisement of the Procurement Notice, qualified Individual Consultant is expected to submit both the Technical and Financial Proposals. Accordingly, Individual Consultants will be evaluated based on Cumulative Analysis as per the following scenario:

- Responsive/compliant/acceptable, and
- Having received the highest score out of a pre-determined set of weighted technical and financial criteria specific to the solicitation. In this regard, the respective weight of the proposals is:
  - a. Technical Criteria weight is 70%
  - b. Financial Criteria weight is 30%

Criteri	ia	Weight	Max. Point	
Techn requir	ical Competence (I ed))	70%	100	
•	Understanding the 9 methodology/appro proposal		50*	
•	Criteria b. Technic		25**	
•	Criteria c. Relevan		25**	
Financial (Lower Offer/Offer*100)				30
Total Score Technical Score * 70% + Financial Score * 30%				

#### IX. PAYMENT MILESTONES AND AUTHORITY

The qualified consultant shall receive his/her service fees upon certification of the completed tasks

satisfactorily, as per the following payment schedule:

Installment of Payment/ Period	Deliverables or Documents to be Delivered	Approval should be obtained	Percentage of Payment
1 <sup>st</sup> Installment	Submission of Inception Report	RR	10%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Installment	Submission of draft Training Modules	w.	40%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Installment	Submission of final training report with	"	50%
	recommendations		

## XI. CONFIDENTIALITY AND PROPRIETARY INTERESTS

The Individual Consultant shall not either during the term or after termination of the assignment, disclose any proprietary or confidential information related to the consultancy service without prior written consent. Proprietary interests on all materials and documents prepared by the consultants under the assignment shall become and remain properties of UNDP.

#### **XII. ANNEXES TO THE TOR**

Rule of Law Annual Workplan

This TOR is approved by:

Signature:



Name and Designation: Ida Persson, Programme Specialist/Head of Governance

**Date of Signing:** 07-Sep-2022

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