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TERMS OF REFERENCE

Contract for individual consultant

Duration: 4 months

Place: Banjul, The Gambia

Background

The UNESCO Regional Office in Dakar (UNESCO-Dakar) represents UNESCO in seven West African countries (Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal and The Gambia) in all UNESCO's fields of competence.

UNESCO Dakar's mission is to:

- document and analyze the situation and major development trends of the Organization's fields of competence in the countries covered by the Office
- ensure that education, sciences, culture, communication and information are placed high on Member States' development agenda
- support Member States in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals in UNESCO's fields of competence by means of policy advice, capacity development, technical assistance and knowledge sharing
- promote partnership and networking with and between Governments, multilateral agencies, civil society organizations, academic community and other relevant institutions in collaboration with the national commissions for UNESCO, UNESCO chairs, clubs and associated schools

Following the recent democratic change of government in the Gambia, the international community has been scaling up its assistance to support the country's reform and development in major socio-economic sectors. In response to increasing needs and demands for support in UNESCO's areas of competence, UNESCO Office in Dakar is fielding a consultant to support the fostering of concrete partnerships with UN agencies and the donor community present in the Gambia and to further advise and support our areas of cooperation with the country, including in the field of skills development to support socio-economic integration of youth.

Assignment and expected results

Under the authority of the Director of UNESCO in Dakar, under the supervision of the Office's country and education focal points and in close collaboration with all the Sectors of UNESCO Dakar Office and the Gambia National commission, the Consultant will carry out the following tasks:

- On behalf of UNESCO Dakar, participate in the meetings organized by the UNCT and international partners and provide regular briefings and orientations to the Director of the Office;

- Bearing in mind UNESCO's comparative advantages, its areas of competence and in line with Governmental priorities, identify areas of intervention in the short and medium term and map out implementation partners and donors;
- Develop and submit for validation a resource mobilization strategy for UNESCO in the Gambia in the short and medium term in link with the UNESCO Country Strategy (UCS), mapping out main donors, their priorities and funding cycles as well potential entry points for UNESCO;
- In convergence with the resource mobilization strategy and current funding opportunities, develop and or adapt 2-3 project proposals aiming to mobilize extrabudgetary resources to support UNESCO programme implementation in the Gambia;
- Follow up on the work presently undertake in The Gambia by UNESCO Dakar related to the synergies between TVET, literacy and ICTs;
- Follow up on the project proposal: Youth empowerment through Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in the Gambia, especially in review and finalization of the project document and its supplementary materials;
- Work closely with the ministries of basic, secondary and higher education (MoBSE and MoHERST) and relevant partners on supporting the strengthening of (formal and non-formal) skills development and TVET systems in the Gambia;
- Explore the possibility of piloting the Family and Intergenerational Literacy and Learning (FILL) programme in The Gambia;
- Ensure strong partnership in thematic working groups, such as tourism, education and environment in liaison with the Office;
- Provide weekly briefings to the Director of the Office and Office's country and education focal points on development priorities, issues and challenges;
- Provide daily relevant highlights to Program Sectors work based on the UN Gambian News Brief and other information sources;
- Carry out any other tasks and activities aiming to improve UNESCO Dakar's programme delivery upon request of the Director and Office's country and education focal points.

Required Qualifications

- Master Degree in fields of UNESCO competence
- 2-4 years of relevant professional experience in project/programme implementation
- Previous experience with UNESCO or UN organizations are consider as a strong asset
- Full professional proficiency in English and good working knowledge in French
- Excellent analysis, synthesis, communication and interpersonal skills.
- Proficient computer skills.

Duration and Fees

- Four months from 13 August to 13 December 2018
- Fees and DSA: a lump sum of 2,000 USD/month

Interested candidates should submit their application, including motivation letter and curriculum vitae to Olivier Pieume (co.pieume@unesco.org) by July 25, 2018 at the latest.