Adapted invitation to tender for National Project Manager position in Lebanon

Invitation to tender launched in an adapted procedure in accordance with Article R.2123-1 of Public Procurement Code

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

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1. **About CFI and the QUDRA program:**

A subsidiary of the France Médias Monde group, CFI, the French media cooperation agency, supported by the French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, is in charge of the coordination and implementation of public aid policy to promote and enhance media in developing countries. CFI is currently involved in around thirty projects that fall within three major programs: media and governance, media and development, and media and enterprise.

As part of a multisectoral program implemented by a German, Spanish, Belgian, Hungarian and French consortium, CFI was designated by the French public agency *Expertise France* to deliver reliable, neutral, and actionable information to Syrian refugees and vulnerable host communities in Jordan and Lebanon in order to foster social cohesion.

Qudra 2 is a regional action co-financed by the European Union, through the EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis (EUTF Syria), the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID) seeking to strengthen resilience for Syrian refugees, IDPs, returnees and host communities in response to the protracted Syrian and Iraqi crises. The programme is jointly implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Expertise France, Spanish Agency for International Development (AECID), Hungarian Interchurch Aid (HIA) and Belgium Development Agency (Enabel) in programme partner countries of Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon.

This program runs from September 2019 to August 2022.

2. **Line Management:**

The National Project Manager works under the direct collaboration of the Regional Coordinator of the project.

3. **Functional links:**

- The Service provider works closely with the program’s consortium members, mainly with *Expertise France*, as well as with local stakeholders (authorities, international organizations, service providers);
- The Service provider supervises a team of Research and Communication Officer and Outreach Officer, who support the collection, production and dissemination of information.
- Liaise with experts/consultants and oversee the quality of the work produced.

4. **Tasks and responsibilities:**

4.1. **PRODUCTION OF INFORMATION**

- Identify communication gaps and priority messages, based on relevant data and statistics as well as on information gathered by partners and authorities;
- Consult with experts and conduct research to better delineate the perimeter of our campaigns: who, what, why, where, how;
- Conduct field visits to explore the refugees’ situation on the ground, when needed;
- Develop actionable messages and elaborate communication plans, in coordination with local media and other stakeholders;
- Coordinate with partners and ensure the proofreading of the messages (main stakeholders working on similar topics, Ministries, UN agencies, EU);
- Organize meetings and workshops with emerging journalists to ensure a long-term commitment of local media on the issues covered;
- Support the production process, based mostly on video;
- Collaborate with media outlets for supporting the production of content on themes related to Qudra 2;
- Collaborate with journalists for supporting the production of articles within themes of Qudra 2 or workshops provided by CFI.

4.2. DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION
- Support the design of a mass media strategy for dissemination: collect, analyse and assess information about available mass media with a focus on audience measurement, area coverage, and media ownership;
- Craft a social media strategy for dissemination: establish contacts with influencers’ pages’ administrators and identify potential cooperation; produce monthly analytics reports that connect social media activity to impact and the growth of our community;
- Develop face-to-face dissemination activities with our partners and the local media;
- As much as possible, involve journalists and influencers in every step of the dissemination process;
- Organize workshops with journalists and influencers;
- Consolidate partnerships with journalistic programs in the country;
- Organize national outreach campaigns.

4.3. ADMINISTRATION
- Draft activity reports;
- Ensure the daily office management;
- Follow-up with the allocated budget;
- Liaise with the staff on administration and financial issues (timesheets, invoices, expenses, contracts etc.);
- Watch security and assess potential risks jeopardizing the team members’ security and CFI activities.

4.4. REPRESENTATION
- Attend meetings and represent CFI during working groups;
- Liaise with local authorities and ensure the project is implemented in compliance with the national law and regulation;
- In close relationship with the Regional Coordinator, liaise with consortium members and international and local organizations to ensure activities are implemented in the best way possible.

5. Language skills:

Full professional proficiency of Arabic and English.
6. Experiences:

This position requires experience in:
- Project management;
- Information production and dissemination / media projects;
- Experience in journalism is highly desirable;
- Experience in issues related to Syrian refugees;
- Experience in managing teams;
- Experience in EU funded projects is desirable;
- Experience in liaising with national authorities is desirable;
- Community-based information management on multisector issues;
- Experience in Arab countries is desirable;
- Experience in budget monitoring;
- Analytical and practical problem-solving skills;
- Good inter-personal and writing abilities;
- Adaptability, sense of integrity and responsibility.

7. Education:

Relevant educational background in production, communications, journalism or a media-related field / international relations or political science.

8. Termination, collateral and transfer if contract

8.1. Receivership or compulsory liquidation

In the event that the service provider goes into receivership or compulsory liquidation, the contract shall be terminated ipso jure after a period of one month from the date of a letter sent by registered post with acknowledgement of receipt to the official receiver or debtor in the case of simplified receivership or to the liquidator in the case of compulsory liquidation, who, in accordance with the provisions of article L.621-28 of the commercial code, has the sole power to demand that the current contract be continued.

If the contract is declared to have been terminated, this shall become effective on the date on which the official receiver or liquidator decides not to continue the performance of the contract or upon expiry of the period of one month stipulated above.

This shall not entitle the service provider to any compensation.

If it is established that there is a risk that the service provider's business may be liquidated, the service provider shall take all necessary steps to provide CFI with the computer codes required for operation of the equipment and software supplied, as well as any developments that may have been made in accordance with the guarantee of future-proofing.

8.2. Termination owing to non-performance
In the event of non-performance by one of the parties of one of its obligations as set out in the contractual documents, the other party may, if it wishes, terminate the contract 15 clear days after sending a registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt to which there has been no response, without prejudice to any action that may be taken for damages.

CFI may provide for the performance of the service at the service provider’s expense and risk, either in the event of non-performance by the latter of a service that, due to its nature, cannot be delayed, or after formal notice has been given by registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt to provide the service within eight days and this has proved unsuccessful. Any increase in expenses in relation to market prices resulting from performance of the services at the service provider’s expense and risk shall be borne by the service provider.

8.3. Collateral and transfer of contract

It is possible to provide collateral for the contract in accordance with the applicable common law; this can be implemented using a Dalilly form.

Any transfer of the contract requires the prior written agreement of CFI.

9. Legal disputes

Except in the event of interim proceedings, the parties undertake to seek an amicable solution in the event of any legal dispute or disagreement between them before considering referring the case to a court of any kind.

To this end, any disagreement between the service provider and CFI must be the subject of a complaint report drawn up by the parties, which must be communicated within thirty days from the date on which the disagreement arose.

The parties shall then have 2 months in which to respond to this complaint.

If the disagreement persists after this amicable procedure, the parties may commence litigation.

The contract concluded between CFI and the service provider shall be subject to the provisions of French commercial law.

The language of this contract is French.

Any translation is provided for information purposes only and has no contractual value. In the event of any conflict between the two versions, only the French version of the contract documents shall prevail.

Any dispute relating to the implementation or breach of the contract shall be referred to an ordinary judge and more specifically to the Commercial Court of Cergy-Pontoise.