



Consultancy for the Evaluation of one year project “Support implementation of Child Protection Local Action Plans through provision of preventive, protection and reintegration activities and services in two pilot municipalities, Gjakova and Gjilan” (May 2016- April 2017)

Application Deadline: 18-March-17

Languages Required: English, Albanian

Starting Date: 27-March-2017

Duration of the Contract: 8 Days

Background

“Support implementation of Child Protection Local Action Plans through provision of preventive, protection and reintegration activities and services in two pilot municipalities, Gjakova and Gjilan” is a project of joint action of the UNICEF and EU office in Kosovo as a part of third phase of “Juvenile Justice Reforms in Kosovo 2013-2017”, and implemented by Peer Education Network (PEN). This project is focused on prevention, protection and reintegration of children in conflict with the law or children who display asocial behaviors and are at high risk of being in contact or conflict with the law.

The project focuses on involvement of children and youth at risk to become or already in conflict with the law, to serve as frontlines in post mediation/ reintegration activities for the prevention of child offending and reoffending at the community level. The project support participation of children who have been in contact or conflict with the law, young men and women, in order to serve as a positive role model in their communities. By building their capacities on communication, conflict resolution, leadership, decision making etc. they will be able to transmit this knowledge to their peers and contribute to decreasing disruptive behaviors of children and preventing their involvement in conflicts and in conflict with the law. The project supports and encourage the trained peer educators to draft and implement community service small projects aiming to increase their capacities in leadership and participation but also at the same to contribute to positive change of public perception and acceptance of children back to their communities who have been previously in conflict with the law.

The project also contributes to strengthening the capacities and cooperation between municipal institutions who play an important role in providing psychosocial counselling, life skill training and vocational courses for children at risk and in need of integrated rehabilitation services.

Purpose of the Evaluation

The Evaluation is intended to assess the relevance, performance, management arrangements, achievements of the project and provide strategic recommendations for the continuation of the project activities in next phase. The Evaluation should also identify and document lessons learned and make recommendations that target groups, project partners and stakeholders should or might use to achieve project main objectives.

This evaluation will have the following principal tasks:

- (i) Assess the project design in terms of its relevance to the overall situation; relevance to national strategies, and relevance to beneficiaries;
- (ii) Assess the project impact on preventive, protection and re-integration of children in conflict with the law or children who have the potential/are at risk to be in conflict or contact with the law.
- (iii) Assess relevance and effectiveness of the project's strategy and approaches for the achievement of the project objectives;
- (iv) Assess performance of the project in terms of effectiveness, efficiency, and timeliness of producing the expected outputs;
- (v) Assess the quality and timeliness of inputs, the reporting and monitoring system and extent to which these have been effective;
- (vi) Assess relevance of the project's management arrangements; identify advantages, bottlenecks and lessons learnt
- (vii) Analyse underlying factors beyond PEN control that affect the achievement of the project results;
- (viii) Provide recommendations to key project stakeholders for follow-up activities.

Deliverables

The following deliverables will be expected from the evaluation expert:

- Inception Report, detailing evaluation scope and methodology, including data collection methods as well as approach for the evaluation. The inception report should also contain a detailed work plan with timelines for agreed milestones;
- The Draft Evaluation Report which will be shared with PEN and funding partners for comments and input;
- The Final Evaluation Report, incorporating comments from stakeholders.
- Present the final report in a joint meeting with funding partners.

Required Skills and Experience

- University degree on Psychology, sociology or other relevant fields.
- Minimum of 2 years professional expertise in programme/project evaluation, impact assessment/development of programming/strategies;
- Experience in the field of Child Protection and Rule of Law.
- Extensive experience on working with children in conflict with the law/ children with anti-social behavior.
- Extensive experience in conducting evaluations
- Extensive knowledge of result - based management (RBM) evaluation, and evaluation methodologies and approaches
- Excellent communication, facilitation and presentation skills
- Strong drafting and reporting skills in Albanian and English



Application Procedure

The following documents should be submitted as part of the application at info@ngo-pen.org

- Cover letter to include a brief overview about which of your previous experiences makes you the most suitable candidate for the advertised position;
- Financial Offer (shall include a breakdown of lump sum amount, daily rate and number of anticipated working days, travel costs, and any other possible costs).

All qualified applicants, including women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply.

Only selected applicants will be contacted