UN Women: The Gender and Governance Program- Nairobi, KENYA

Job ID/Title: 82755 – Final evaluation for the Gender and Governance programme (GGPIII)

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Category (eligible applicants): External

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Brand: Other UN Agencies

Practice Area: Gender and Governance

Application Deadline: 10-July-13

Type of Contract: ISSA

Post Type and Level: Team Leader

Duty Station: Nairobi, KENYA

Languages Required: English

Starting Date: 22nd-July-2013

Duration of Initial Contract: 40 days

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The evaluation is expected to be carried out from 22nd July – 31st August 2013.

Background of the Program:

Program Overview

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The Gender, Human Right and Governance Program were implemented in two components; the Gender and Governance Program III (GGP III) and the Human Rights Program. This evaluation will focus on the Gender and Governance Program component.

GGP III represents the third phase of the Gender and Governance Programme launched in September 2004. The programme worked towards promoting equal opportunities and access to services for both men and women, addressing the need to include women’s issues in governance structures, and supported women’s leadership at national and local levels.

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The GGP program has a budget of 12.1 M USD.

**Program Focus and Strategies**
The GGP III adopted a two-pronged human-rights based approach. From the one side, it worked with the state, as the duty-bearer with respect to providing equitable services to Kenyan citizens and protection of human rights, improved service delivery through the development and implementation of gender-responsive policies and frameworks. From the other side, it engaged with citizens at the grassroots level, as the rights-holders, and increased their awareness about women's human rights, the duties of the state towards its citizens and increased the capacity of women in particular, and formulated a unified position and strengthen their voice in the demand for equitable service delivery.

The programme provided technical support to government institutions and national gender machineries in achieving equal access of women to goods and services, and civil society organizations in holding duty bearers accountable. Institutional capacities were developed that contributed to citizen-oriented quality policy, programme and services with budget allocations through which women were assured of equal opportunities and access.

By working with both the duty-bearers and the rights-holder, the GGP III created a platform to hold state (government) and public forces accountable for implementing and enforcing policies and laws protecting women's rights in all areas and provided capacity-building and support services at the grass-roots level as, ultimately, it is the state's ability to enforce policies and laws and provide space and resources for citizen participation that will over time lead to sustainable change in public and community behaviors and practices.

**Program Goal and Objectives;**
The overall goal of GGP III was to ensure that Kenyan women and men are able to access services and opportunities and exercise their rights equally.

The key program outcomes of the project were:
- i) Increased number of Kenyan legal frameworks, Laws and policies at national and local levels that promote and Protect women's human rights
- ii) Women participate in governance and decision-making processes at national and local levels and actively lobby for women’s issues.

To attain its development objectives, the GGP III Programme worked through three key and crosscutting components that provide an encompassing conceptual framework for the entire Programme, These components include:

1. **Institutional Capacity-Building:** GGP III interventions provided support to prompt institutional reform priorities through capacity-building, technical assistance, advocacy, and lobbying

2. **Community Sensitization and Support to Civil Society:** Through this component, GGP III Programme focused on awareness creation among the public and women in particular on legal, policy and institutional reforms processes and the achieved results in of improved gender responsive delivery. Additionally, it strengthen the ability to unify women to push for a common platform in realization
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3. **Promoting Gender-Sensitive Results-Based Programmed Management:**
Through this component, GGP III consistently built the capacity of its partners and provided technical expertise at all levels to promote the development and use of gender-sensitive results-based programme management methods and correct reporting on progress of reform processes, thus increased and exposed government accountability in this regard.

**Evaluation Process:**

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**Key Evaluation Questions / analytical Framework:**

The questions below are indicative of the key information needs identified during the formulation of this Terms of Reference. The questions will be further refined during the inception phase of this evaluation.

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• Ownership and congruency of the program to the partner mandates and strategic direction
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**Effectiveness** of the program

• The extent to which (progress towards) the program achieved its stated objectives – effectiveness (the results achieved both qualitative and quantitative)
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• What are the contributions towards and/or changes produced by the program on legal and policy frameworks at the national and regional levels
• Identify cross cutting strategies used to enhance program effectiveness
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**Efficiency** of the program

• The optimal transformation of inputs into outputs - efficiency; and the timeliness of the inputs and outputs;
• Value for money adopted to ensure integrity in program management and implementation
• How the program has utilized existing local capacities of rights bearers and duty holders to achieve its outcome.
• How has UN Women adhered to partnership principles identified in program document especially on reporting and utilization of funds
• The extent to which technical assistance from UN Women informed and improved program implementation

**Sustainability** of the program

• The extent to which the program addresses beneficiary priorities and demand
• Support to the program by local institutions and integration with local social and cultural conditions
• Potential for replication of strategies
• Participation of partners in planning and implementation of interventions
• Financial/programmatic capacity of partners to sustain the program results when donor support has been withdrawn
• Extent to which steps have been taken to ensure that activities initiated by the Program will be completed and continued on cessation of donor support;

**Impact** of the program

• What the intended and intended, positive and negative, long term effects of the program are.
• The extent to which changes that have occurred as a result of the program can be identified and measured
• The extent to which the program enabled the rights-holders to claim their rights more successfully and the duty holders to perform their duties more efficiently including both formal and informal institutions.
• The extent to which efforts have been successful to prevent and respond to harmful and discriminatory practices.

**Partnership Principles**

• Assess the partnership performance and outreach (e.g. between UNIFEM and partners, amongst partners etc.)
• The extent to which partners perceive the partnership as effective for achieving the outcomes
• Assess the choice of stakeholders, manner and reasons for their involvement
• Assess to what extent the program has contributed to capacity development and the strengthening of partner institutions and program

**Underlying factors**

• Are there any underlying factors beyond the control of the programme that have influenced the outcome?
• What were the key assumptions made?
• Distinguish the substantive design issues from the key implementation and/or management capacities and issues including the timeliness of outputs, the degree of stakeholders and partner's involvement in the completion of outputs, and how processes were managed or carried out.

During the inception phase, the Evaluation Team will further refine the above questions in close consultation with key stakeholders and will ensure that key information needs are addressed. Based on these consultations the Evaluation Team will develop an evaluation matrix which will include the key questions, the evaluation criteria, indicators as well as information sources to be used and the ways to cross-reference and triangulate the information.

**Description of Responsibilities :**
A defining characteristic of a Gender Equality & Human Rights responsive evaluation is the engagement of stakeholders, particularly women and marginalized groups. The term stakeholder is broadly used to include those who deliver, influence and are impacted by the programme. Engaging stakeholders means they actively participate in or co-own the evaluation, from defining the evaluation scope through evaluation conduct to decision making based on evaluation conclusions and recommendations.

The role of the evaluation team is to prepare the evaluation design, identify appropriate evaluation tools, carry out the evaluation and prepare the evaluation report as well as any interim reports as required by the terms of reference. The evaluator should reflect on the importance of gender analysis, an understanding of the rights-based approach to development and a commitment and skill in participatory methods when working with communities and the project partners.
The evaluation team will be composed of at least 2 consultants, with the team leader responsible for delivering the key deliverables as outlined in this TOR.

**Main Outputs of the Evaluation:**
The following will be the deliverables by the evaluation team/consultants:

1. **Evaluation inception report containing the following:**
   - Interpretation of TOR
   - Design of evaluation including outline of methodology
   - Evaluation matrix
   - Work plan, including a timeframe of the overall process and a table with key milestones and dates for deliverables
   - Evaluation tools

2. **Program site visits**, both the team leader and the local consultant will be responsible for conducting the field visits.

3. **Feedback of results to the Evaluation Reference Group, Sida, UN Women and partners**, the team leader will have overall responsibility of the results and the feedback.

4. **Evaluation report (first draft for discussion followed by a final report)**. The team leader has overall responsibility for finalization and submission of the reports.

5. **The report final report should be structured as follows:**
   - Title page, table of contents, acronyms
   - Executive summary
   - Purpose of the evaluation
   - Evaluation objectives and scope
   - Evaluation Methodology
   - Context of subject
   - Description of the subject
   - Findings
   - Analysis
   - Conclusions
   - Recommendations
   - Lessons learnt
   - Annexes

The report should not exceed 30 pages excluding annexes

The evaluation is expected to start on 22nd July 2013 and will run for 40 days. The evaluation location and partners will be identified during the inception meetings with donors and UN Women.

**Methodology:**
To address the evaluation questions, multiple methods will be applied to collect both qualitative and quantitative data.

- Literature review through revisiting various reports, filed information, financial records, existing at UN Women, donor and partners offices. The literature review should also include but not be limited to institutional information systems and other relevant documents including UN Women Strategic Plan, cooperation agreements, partner review meeting reports and progress reports to GGP donors.
- Direct observation by visiting supported organizations in the intervening areas
• Conducting interviews and focus group discussions. Key informants for the evaluation will include key government state agencies, CSOs, donors and other partners, women’s groups, beneficiaries, community groups, government officials among others as well as staff of UN Women Nairobi. Sampling should be applied for the sites to be visited for meetings with beneficiaries.
• Case studies and surveys will also be used as part of data collection.

Management Arrangements

UN Women will select the evaluation consultant/team. UN Women will be responsible for the hiring and management of the evaluators. UN Women and the donors will jointly support the evaluation and will both designate a focal point for the evaluation and any additional staff to assist in facilitating the process (e.g., providing relevant documentation, arranging visits/interviews with key informants, etc.). Ultimate reporting of the evaluation consultant/team will be to UN Women.

UN Women will develop an appropriate dissemination strategy and will ensure that the evaluation results are shared broadly. Following UN Women Evaluation Policy, a management response will be developed within six weeks after report finalization. UN Women will also make sure that evaluation recommendations are considered and ensure that agreed actions are implemented and monitored.

Evaluation Team:
The evaluation team will be composed of at least 2 independent consultants (1) international consultant who will be the team leader for the evaluation and (1-2) local consultants who will work closely with the team leader. The team leader will possess the following combination of skills and expertise:

• At least a master’s degree in any social science; PhD an asset.
• At least ten years of evaluation experience, five years of which in evaluating development programs related to human rights, gender and results-based evaluations
• Experience in leading evaluations and managing an evaluation team
• Knowledge of issues concerning women’s human rights and gender equality including specifically in the area of i) women leadership and participation, ii) gender based violence, and iii) familiarity with the relevant context in Kenya will be an added advantage
• Demonstrated ability and excellent communication skills to facilitate group discussions
• Demonstrated ability to produce high quality evaluation reports, including recommendations for future work of the funding organization/ a donor
• Ability to work with the Evaluation Manager to ensure that a high quality evaluation report is produced
• Facilitation skills and the ability to deal with multi-stakeholder groups
• Fluent in English; knowledge of local language an asset

Evaluation Code of Conduct and Evaluation Standards and Principles:
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**Application Procedures**:

Applications (for each consultant) should contain:

- A brief cover letter (not exceeding one page), clearly indicating (i) Experience in the area of evaluation and expertise (ii) Indicative daily fee in US Dollars and (iii) period of availability.
- A current and updated Curriculum Vitae
• Contact details for 3 references. Please note that your previous employers could also be contacted.

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please make sure you provide all requested materials

Please email your applications to: consultancies.eharo@unwomen.org not later that 12th July 2013 with the subject line clearly marked “TEAM LEADER – GGP III EVALUATION”.

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**Sustainability** of the program

• The extent to which the program addresses beneficiary priorities and demand
• Support to the program by local institutions and integration with local social and cultural conditions
• Potential for replication of strategies
• Participation of partners in planning and implementation of interventions
• Financial/programmatic capacity of partners to sustain the program results when donor support has been withdrawn
• Extent to which steps have been taken to ensure that activities initiated by the Program will be completed and continued on cessation of donor support;

**Impact** of the program

• What the intended and intended, positive and negative, long term effects of the program are.
• The extent to which changes that have occurred as a result of the program can be identified and measured
• The extent to which the program enabled the rights-holders to claim their rights more successfully and the duty holders to perform their duties more efficiently including both formal and informal institutions.
• The extent to which efforts have been successful to prevent and respond to harmful and discriminatory practices.

**Partnership Principles**

• Assess the partnership performance and outreach (e.g. between UNIFEM and partners, amongst partners etc.)
• The extent to which partners perceive the partnership as effective for achieving the outcomes
• Assess the choice of stakeholders, manner and reasons for their involvement
• Assess to what extent the program has contributed to capacity development and the strengthening of partner institutions and program

**Underlying factors**

• Are there any underlying factors beyond the control of the programme that have influenced the outcome?
• What were the key assumptions made?
• Distinguish the substantive design issues from the key implementation and/or management capacities and issues including the timeliness of outputs, the degree of stakeholders and partner’s involvement in the completion of outputs, and how processes were managed or carried out.

During the inception phase, the Evaluation Team will further refine the above questions in close consultation with key stakeholders and will ensure that key information needs are addressed. Based on these consultations the Evaluation Team will develop an evaluation matrix which will include the key questions, the evaluation criteria, indicators as well as information sources to be used and the ways to cross-reference and triangulate the information.

**Description of Responsibilities**:

A defining characteristic of a Gender Equality & Human Rights responsive evaluation is the engagement of stakeholders, particularly women and marginalized groups. The term stakeholder is broadly used to include those who deliver, influence and are impacted by the programme. Engaging stakeholders means they actively participate in or co-own the evaluation, from defining the evaluation scope through evaluation conduct to decision making based on evaluation conclusions and recommendations.

The role of the evaluation team is to prepare the evaluation design, identify appropriate evaluation tools, carry out the evaluation and prepare the evaluation report as well as any interim reports as required by the terms of reference. The evaluator should reflect on the importance of gender analysis, an understanding of the rights-based approach to development and a commitment and skill in participatory methods when working with communities and the project partners.
The evaluation team will be composed of at least 2 consultants, with the team leader responsible for delivering the key deliverables as outlined in this TOR.

**Main Outputs of the Evaluation:**
The following will be the deliverables by the evaluation team/consultants:

- Evaluation inception report containing the following:
  - Interpretation of TOR
  - Design of evaluation including outline of methodology
  - Evaluation matrix
  - Work plan, including a timeframe of the overall process and a table with key milestones and dates for deliverables
  - Evaluation tools
- Program site visits, both the team leader and the local consultant will be responsible for conducting the field visits.
- Feedback of results to the Evaluation Reference Group, Sida, UN Women and partners, the team leader will have overall responsibility of the results and the feedback.
- Evaluation report (first draft for discussion followed by a final report). The team leader has overall responsibility for finalization and submission of the reports.
- The report final report should be structured as follows;
  - Title page, table of contents, acronyms
  - Executive summary
  - Purpose of the evaluation
  - Evaluation objectives and scope
  - Evaluation Methodology
  - Context of subject
  - Description of the subject
  - Findings
  - Analysis
  - Conclusions
  - Recommendations
  - Lessons learnt
  - Annexes

The report should not exceed 30 pages excluding annexes

The evaluation is expected to start on **22nd July 2013** and will run for 25 days. The evaluation location and partners will be identified during the inception meetings with donors and UN Women.

**Methodology:**
To address the evaluation questions, multiple methods will be applied to collect both qualitative and quantitative data.

- Literature review through revisiting various reports, field information, financial records, existing at UN Women, donor and partners offices. The literature review should also include but not be limited to institutional information systems and other relevant documents including UN Women Strategic Plan, cooperation agreements,
partner review meeting reports and progress reports to GGP donors.

- Direct observation by visiting supported organizations in the intervening areas
- Conducting interviews and focus group discussions. Key informants for the evaluation will include key government state agencies, CSOs, donors and other partners, women’s groups, beneficiaries, community groups, government officials among others as well as staff of UN Women Nairobi. Sampling should be applied for the sites to be visited for meetings with beneficiaries.
- Case studies and surveys will also be used as part of data collection.

Management Arrangements

UN Women will select the evaluation consultant/team. UN Women will be responsible for the hiring and management of the evaluators. UN Women and the donors will jointly support the evaluation and will both designate a focal point for the evaluation and any additional staff to assist in facilitating the process (e.g., providing relevant documentation, arranging visits/interviews with key informants, etc.). Ultimate reporting of the evaluation consultant/team will be to UN Women.

UN Women will develop an appropriate dissemination strategy and will ensure that the evaluation results are shared broadly. Following UNWomen Evaluation Policy, a management response will be developed within six weeks after report finalization. UN Women will also make sure that evaluation recommendations are considered and ensure that agreed actions are implemented and monitored.

Evaluation Team:
The evaluation team will be composed of at least 2 independent consultants (1) international consultant who will be the team leader for the evaluation and (2) local consultants who will work closely with the team leader.

The national consultants will possess the following combination of skills and expertise:

- At least a master’s degree in any social science
- At least five years of evaluation experience, 2 years of which in evaluating development programs related to human rights, gender and results-based evaluations
- Knowledge of issues concerning women’s human rights and gender equality including specifically in the area of i) women leadership and participation, ii) gender based violence, and iii) familiarity with the relevant context in Kenya will be an added advantage
- Demonstrated ability and excellent communication skills to facilitate group discussions
- Demonstrated ability to produce high quality evaluation reports, including recommendations for future work of the funding organization/ a donor
- Ability to work with the Evaluation Manager to ensure that a high quality evaluation report is produced
- Facilitation skills and the ability to deal with multi-stakeholder groups
- Fluent in English; knowledge of local language an asset
Evaluation Code of Conduct and Evaluation Standards and Principles:

The evaluation consultant/team will adhere to the United Nations Evaluation Group (UNEG) Code of Conduct and the following evaluation standards, as outlined in the UNEG Norms and Standards and the UN Women Evaluation Policy:

- **Participation and inclusiveness**: Evaluation should foster the participation of key stakeholder (including UN Women’s key partners in government, civil society and the UN system) during the preparation, conduct and utilization/follow-up stages of the evaluation process to ensure the credibility, quality and use of the evaluations, including during the validation of the evaluation findings.

- **Utilization Focused and Intentionality**: Evaluation should be focused on the needs of key users and there should be a clear intent to use the findings for learning and knowledge generation, decision-making and program improvement. They should be designed and completed in a timely manner to ensure their usefulness.

- **Transparency, Independence and Impartiality**: Evaluation should be free from undue influence to ensure unbiased and transparent due processes and reporting. It should take into consideration both achievements and challenges. **Quality and Credibility**: The design, preparation and conduct of gender equality and human rights responsive evaluation should ensure the high quality of the evaluation and strive to make use of new and cutting edge mixed methods for evaluating women’s empowerment, gender equality and women’s human rights issues.

- **Ethical**: Evaluators should have personal and professional integrity and abide by the UNEG Ethical Guidelines for Evaluation in the UN system and the Code of Conduct to respect the rights of individuals involved in an evaluation.

The above documents (United Nations Evaluation Group (UNEG) Code of Conduct, UNEG Norms and Standards and UN Women Evaluation policy) can be accessed from the following links:


**Application Procedures:**

Applications (for each consultant) should contain:

- A brief cover letter (not exceeding one page), clearly indicating (i) Experience in the area of evaluation and expertise (ii) Indicative daily fee in US Dollars and (iii) period of availability.
- A current and updated Curriculum Vitae
• Contact details for 3 references. Please note that your previous employers could also be contacted.

**Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please make sure you provide all requested materials**

Please email your applications to: consultancies.eharo@unwomen.org not later that 12th July 2013 with the subject line clearly marked “NATIONAL CONSULTANTS – GGP III EVALUATION”.

*The deadline for submission of applications is 12th July 2013.*