GENERAL INFORMATION

Title of Consultancy: MEL Framework Review – TI Indo-Pacific STRONGG

Application Closing Date: 2 November 2021

Consultancy Start and End Date: 8 November – 17 December 2021

Location of Consultancy: Remote

BACKGROUND

Transparency International (TI) is the global civil society organisation leading the fight against corruption. Through more than 100 chapters worldwide and an international secretariat in Berlin, Germany, TI raises awareness of the damaging effects of corruption and works with partners in government, business, and civil society to develop and implement effective measures to tackle it.

TI is currently implementing the Indo-Pacific Partnership for Strong, Transparent, Responsive & Open Networks for Good Governance (IPP STRONGG) 2020 – 2023. The project aims to contribute to reduced corruption in the region by empowering a strong and independent civil society voice and network that can mobilise action in support of increased accountability of public and private institutions nationally and regionally.

The TI IPP STRONGG Monitoring Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Framework was developed in 2020 during the first year of the programme, in parallel to the development of national project initiatives and at the same time as the creation of a baseline report. Targets were set in early 2021, and partners completed a first round of reporting.

The baseline report recommended that indicators be reviewed after the first year of use to test their applicability, and given the development of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, such a review seems particularly appropriate.

The programme is now seeking follow up input and MEL expertise to adjust and further develop the framework itself as well as complementary tools or templates to facilitate its improved implementation.

OBJECTIVES

- Review the current programme indicators and targets set and recommend adjustments against those that have proved challenging in the first year of application.
- Recommend mechanisms to analyse progress against the programme objectives and apply a traffic light or similar system to the MEL Framework.
- Review programme reporting tools used currently, and develop complementary tools and methods to regularly collect and capture relevant data aligned to the goals, outcomes and outputs of the project.
- Present framework and tools developed to partners.

EXPECTED DELIVERABLES AND TIMELINE

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Add analysis of progress to the Framework and Reporting Tools

| Traffic light system or similar integrated into MEL Framework |
| Template developed for national and aggregated analysis showing level of progress |
| By 29 November |

Develop additional reporting tools/ toolkit

| Current reporting tools reviewed, and recommendations for complementary reporting tools/ templates made |
| Tools/ templates developed and compiled |
| By 29 November |

Present Framework and Tools to programme partners and respond to follow up questions as needed

| Present MEL Framework and Tools at an online MEL training |
| Respond to Follow up Questions |
| By 17 December |

All presentations and reports should be submitted in English, in electronic form, in accordance with the deadlines stipulated above. The Consultant is responsible for editing and quality control of language. The TI Secretariat retains the sole rights with respect to all distribution, dissemination, and publication of the deliverables.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The Consultant should have the following qualifications:

- Strong experience in developing Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) frameworks and tools to monitor and assess progress against targets set by partners contributing to multi-country projects in the non-profit sector.
- Experience with civil society projects on governance issues in the Asia Pacific region strongly preferred.
- Excellent analytical and writing skills.
- Experience in convening consultations and organising trainings with different stakeholders.
- Ability to operate under strict time limits and apply high production and technical standards for the purpose of maintaining high level of professionalism.
- An excellent command of written and spoken English essential.
- A strong understanding of the work of Transparency International and anti-corruption and good governance work more broadly.

REMUNERATION AND COSTS

The Consultants should provide their estimated total fee as a lump sum or as standard daily or hourly rates as gross inclusive of taxes and other charges.

CONTACT INFORMATION

The application should include the following documents in English:

- Motivation letter including a short outline of the initial strategy proposed to complete this project, and Curriculum Vitae
- One sample of relevant previous work (confidentiality guaranteed).

Please indicate “MEL Framework Review – TI Indo-Pacific STRONGG” in the subject line of your email application. Applications should be sent in English by email to Nikola Sandoval at MELreviewSTRONGG@transparency.org by close of business of 2/11/2021.
Please note that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

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