



REFERENCE NUMBER: TIK/05/GP/2017

DESCRIPTION: Consultancy to Conduct an Assessment on Processes of Public Participation in Kisumu and Nairobi Counties

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 20th September, 2017

Background

Transparency International Kenya (TI-Kenya) is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1999 in Kenya with the aim of developing a transparent and corruption-free society through good governance and social justice initiatives. TI-Kenya is one of the autonomous chapters of the global Transparency International movement that are all bound by a common vision of a corruption-free world. TI-Kenya's vision is "A transparent, accountable and corruption-free Kenya".

TI-Kenya through its Governance and Policy programme is implementing a project on "Democra12y, Governance and Human Rights" which aims to improve access to justice through effective key institutions within the justice sector that respect human rights and the rule of law. The project's overall objective is to contribute to increased respect for human rights, gender equality and strengthened democratic governance at the national and local levels.

Purpose of the Assignment

Public Participation is a key Constitutional principle provided under Article 10 (2) (a). Further, Article 174(c) provides for enhancement of participation of people in the exercise of the powers of the State and in making decisions affecting them as one of the objects of devolution. Additionally, Article 184 (1) (c) requires that mechanisms for participation by residents be included in the national legislation relating to urban areas and cities governance and management. Since the promulgation of the Constitution 2010 and establishment of county governments, various measures have been put in place to realize the principle of public participation. According to TI-Kenya's County Governance Status Report 2016, twenty-three counties reported to have enacted legislations/policies to guide public participation while twenty-nine counties reported having an office or officer to ensure public participation and access to information. The study also found that twenty counties had established the County Budget and Economic Forums in accordance with the Public Finance Management Act. It is however notable that meaningful participation remained a challenge in most counties in the first five years of implementation of devolved governance system. TI-Kenya therefore seeks to engage a consultant for a short term period to review the policy and

legal frameworks and processes of public participation that exist in Kisumu and Nairobi counties to inform interventions that could enhance meaningful participation in both counties.

The Specific tasks of the consultant will include:

1. Reviewing of the Constitutional provisions, policies and existing laws that promote public participation in Kenya and the specific counties;
2. Identification and reviewing of the existing public participation frameworks put in place by the two county governments to establish their effectiveness;
3. Identification of information sharing mechanisms put in place by the two counties and establish their effectiveness;
4. Providing proposals including best practices on how the identified gaps could be addressed to inform policy, legislative and institutional reforms/ recommendations and advocacy initiatives; and
5. Preparing and submitting a final report to TI-Kenya for further action

Deliverable

A comprehensive report with detailed findings and actionable recommendations to enhance public participation in Kisumu and Nairobi counties.

Expected Outcome

Increased public participation in governance processes in Kisumu and Nairobi counties.

Duration

The consultant will be expected to carry out the assignment within 30 working days. The work is expected to start on 18th of September 2017.

Qualifications or specialized knowledge/experience required

1. Masters Degree in Law, Political Sciences or Social Sciences or related studies
2. Training on governance will be an added advantage
3. At least 5 years' experience in undertaking research on governance issues
4. Excellent understanding of devolution and governance structures at the county levels
5. Strong communications skills (oral and written)
6. Proficiency in English is required.

Complaints Process

This call for Expression of Interest does not constitute a solicitation and TI-Kenya reserves the right to change or cancel the requirement at any time during the EOI process. TI-Kenya also reserves the right to require compliance with additional conditions as and when issuing the final solicitation documents. Submitting a reply to a call for EOI does not automatically guarantee receipt of the solicitation documents

when issued. Invitations to bid or requests for proposals will be issued in accordance with TI-Kenya rules and procedures.

Any grievances and or complaints arising from the evaluation process and final tender award can be addressed, in writing, to the Executive Director and the TI-Kenya Tender Complaints Committee.

Submission of Bids

Qualified candidates are requested to submit one document of not more than 20 pages as an attachment (combining the application letter, technical proposal including the methodology for the assignment, financial proposal and CV with particular emphasis on the previous experience in related areas and at least three professional referees). Do not attach your testimonials or certificates. Only shortlisted candidate/s will be contacted.

The deadline for submission of expressions of interest is on 20th September, 2017.

Applications should be sent by email to procurement@tikenya.org.

Please indicate **TIK/05/GP/2017- "ASSESSMENT ON PROCESSES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN KISUMU AND NAIROBI COUNTIES"** in the subject line of your email application.