INTRODUCTION

The Government of Liberia has received a grant of USD 47 million dollars from the International Development Association (IDA) to implement the Improving Results in Secondary Education (IRISE) project. A portion of this amount is allocated to provide technical assistance for Promoting Community Engagement to Empower Girls, Schools and Communities.

PURPOSE OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The purpose of this consultancy is to clearly design a community engagement program that complements sub-components 2.1 and 2.2 to increase the opportunities for girls to access and complete senior secondary school.

SCOPE OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The consultant will be expected to:

- Review the current community engagement interventions and policies to build upon and learn from existing and prior interventions to design an Action Plan for behavioral change for the girls’ education component that can adopt the Good Schools Toolkit.
- Explore and, if agreed with the IRISE Component 2 TWG, adapt the “Good School Kits Toolkit” for the engagement of school administration, teachers, students and the community to elicit greater participation and ownership of school level programs.
- In coordination with the IRISE Component 2 TWG, develop local capacity of PTAs, community stakeholders and disseminate appropriate project messages through Townhall sensitization meeting.
- Design communication strategy for the delivery of component two and develop corresponding IEC and Behavior change communication (BCC) materials for messaging using the mass media.
- Establish a process that links the intervention of this sub-component 2.3 to that of sub-components 2.1 & 2.2 implementation.
DURATION
The contract will be for 6-7 months and the assignment will be carried out in Monrovia, Liberia with some field visits outside of Monrovia.

QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE
- Minimum of a master’s degree in Education, Pedagogy, Gender and Education, Women’s Empowerment, Guidance Counseling, Human Resource Development or related discipline and at least 6 years post masters work experience in Education, Pedagogy, Gender and Education, Women’s Empowerment, Guidance Counseling, Human Resource Development or related discipline;
- Relevant experience in developing and implementing education programs, preferably community engagement programs for Ministry of Education in various contexts;
- Strong understanding of gender issues, community engagement and the challenges vulnerable groups face in the education sector;
- Experience collaborating with a range of education stakeholders including government officials, international organizations, NGOs, and schools;
- Ability to engage with/train education stakeholders including MoE officials, TWG members, local education officers, parents and community leaders;
- Must have team building and interpersonal skills.

The IRSE Project now invites eligible Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services required above.

The attention of Consultants is drawn to Section III, Paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016 and revised November 2017 and August 2018, the “Procurement Regulations” setting forth the World Bank’s Policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant Selection (ICS) method.

Detailed Terms of Reference can be accessed from the link: ..\TOR - Promoting Community Engagement for Girls\TOR -Promoting Community Engagement for Girl Education (Final 070820).docx

Note: Only Individual(s) with the required qualifications and relevant experience will be contacted.

Further Information can be obtained by the below email during office hours between 09:00 to 4:00 hours GMT from Monday to Friday beginning July 21 – August 3, 2020.

11. Interested Individuals who meets the qualifications requirement may submit an Expression of Interest marked “TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR PROMOTING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TO EMPOWER GIRLS, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES”, to procurement at procurement.iris@gmail.com and copied to: abufahmed@yahoo.co.uk using the below address not later than 5.00pm on August, 2020.

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