Consultant post for the TB/HIV and community engagement unit of Global TB Programme of WHO

Terms of Reference

Background

The Global TB Programme of WHO aims to guide the global response to the TB epidemic through providing evidence-based norms, standards and policies; supporting Member States in adapting and adopting the Stop TB Strategy within strengthened health systems; measure global progress, monitor and assess national program performance, financing and impact; and, enable progress across the continuum of TB research, linked within a wider health research strategy.

TB/HIV and community engagement unit of the Global TB Programme of WHO coordinates the Department's work on TB/HIV and the delivery of integrated community based TB activities through both national TB programmes and the engagement of non-governmental (NGO) and other civil society organisations (CSO) to integrate TB into their community-based work in HIV, maternal and child health, primary health care and other sectors such as education, agriculture and livelihood development programmes. The global consultation with NGOs and other CSOs in Addis Ababa on the End TB Strategy in November 2015 produced several implications for follow-up action by WHO and others to more fully engage NGOs and other CSOs in TB services.

Overall Objective and Tasks

Under the direct supervision of the Coordinator of THC and in collaboration with other members of the team the consultant will lead and contribute to the creation of an NGO Forum and Civil Society Task Force as follows:

- Engage NGO participants of the Addis Ababa consultation meeting in email communications about the creation of an NGO Forum and support the selection of those expressing interest
- Develop criteria to determine selection to a Civil Society Task Force that will spearhead the work of the NGO Forum
- Engage and interact with members of the NGO Forum on a regular basis through emails and skype (if required) to select 10 of the organizations participating in the NGO Forum to be appointed to the Civil Society Task Force (CSTF)
- Engage CSTF members electronically in discussion about topics related to the STAG agenda for 2016 to support their contribution to these discussions
- Ensure agreement is reached with the CSTF on its input to STAG and a representative(s) presents this to STAG
- Arrange and attend meeting of CSTF in Geneva alongside STAG and ensure a further agenda for action is developed for the next year
- Ensure feedback from the CSTF deliberations are fed back to all members of the NGO Forum
- Other tasks to support the objective of this TOR as deemed necessary.

Key Deliverables

- 1. Create an NGO Forum drawing from the pool of participants from NGOs at the Addis Ababa workshop
- 2. Develop terms of reference for a Civil Society Task Force comprising 10 members to lead the work of the NGO Forum in consultation with the NGO Forum
- 3. Select the 10 members of the CSTF from the NGO Forum
- 4. Ensure STAG agenda is shared with CSTF and discussions held on CSTF input to STAG
- 5. Ensure CSTF develops its formal input to STAG and assist in development of the presentation

- 6. Attend the meeting of the CSTF and assist in development of priorities for the CSTF for the subsequent year
- 7. Ensure a report of CSTF deliberations is sent to all members of the NGO Forum

Requirements

Essential qualification: Advanced university degree in global health or social sciences.

Essential experience: at least 5 years of combined professional experience in the management and coordination of health programmes, global health or any other developmental issue. High level team playing capacity and flexibility. Experience in community engagement and strong NGO leadership experience. Fluency in English.

If you are interested to apply please send your CV to Rosalie Edma (edmar@who.int) no later than 11 March 2016. Only short listed candidates will be communicated.