

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (SOFT SKILLS TRAINING FIRM)

Lebanon

National Volunteering Service Program (NVSP)

Assignment Title: Project Soft Skills Training

Reference No.: FC005

The Government of Lebanon (GoL) has included the promotion of volunteerism in Lebanon as an objective in the National Social Development Strategy. As such, the GoL launched, in 2013, the National Volunteer Service Program (NVSP). NVSP aims at increasing youth civic engagement which, in the medium term, will contribute to enhanced cross-confessional understanding and social cohesion as well as to improve youth employability. In its first phase (2013-2016), the target beneficiaries were Lebanese youth aged 15 - 24 from the different regions of Lebanon. In its second phase (2017-2018), the target beneficiaries will be Lebanese youth aged 15-29 from the most vulnerable Lebanese communities hosting Syrian refugees. Syrian refugee youth will be able to participate in project activities.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include the delivery of a series of training sessions for training beneficiaries and to provide training beneficiaries (including NGOs representative) ongoing and timely technical support during the implementation of their projects. The survey firm / consortium will work under the direct supervision of the NVSP Project Manager, with overall guidance of the Principal Investigator (PI) of the study, a World Bank expert. The work period is scheduled from July 15, 2018 to May 31, 2019 .

The **NVSP** now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The short listing criteria are:

- Developing a plan for the delivery of the training sessions, which takes into account the selected project’s implementation dates, location (both geographic and delivery of actual training), number of youth, etc.
- Developing any required pedagogical support (i.e.: training manuals, lesson plans, training material, etc.), using the NVSP soft-skills training curriculum and leveraging/adjusting the training manuals mentioned above (e.g. constituting four modules, each with 5 one-hour lessons)
- Carrying out a series of training sessions targeting *at least* 1,080 volunteers from the selected 27 NGOs (from now on, “training beneficiaries”)
- Providing training beneficiaries (including NGOs representatives) ongoing and timely technical support during the implementation of their projects; and
- Conducting a pre- and post- test survey with all training beneficiaries

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants \[under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants\] by World Bank Borrowers](#) ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)** method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours: 09:00 to 15:00.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form and in sealed envelope to the address below (in person) by June 27th, 2018.

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