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## **INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT**

#### PROVISION OF A PARTNER ENGAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR AFRICA CDC PUBLIC PRIVATE AND PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERSHIPS (4Ps) AND FOUNDATION LAUNCH

#### Reference No.: AUC/ACDC/C/377

### Background

Taking into account the health challenges faced by the African continent and in recognition of the need for Africa to develop optimal capacity for preparedness and response to public health emergencies and other health security risks, the African heads of State and Government (AU HoSG) - at a special summit of the Africa Union (AU) held in Abuja, Nigeria 2013 - called for the establishment of the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) through Assembly Decision /AU/Dec.554 (XXIV). This specialised organ was officially launched on 31st January 2017 with the overall mission to "strengthen Africa's capacity and institutions for preparedness and response to public health emergencies and disease priorities through partnerships, science, policy and data-driven interventions".

Pursuant to Article 28 of the Statue of Africa CDC which states that, "the Africa CDC shall maintain working ties with Development partners and stakeholders, particularly with the Regional Health Organizations, RECs private sector, civil society organizations, other Organs of the Union and the non-African CDCs in pursuit of its strategic objectives". Africa CDC intends to launch a public health Foundation and Public Private Philanthropic Partnerships (Africa CDC 4Ps) to advance its strategic priorities through the development of linkages to innovative financial mechanisms targeting increased investment in African health systems. This will generate both positive development and returns on investment through efforts to promote an enabling environment for the private and philanthropic sectors amongst the African Member States.

In carrying its overall mission, it is incumbent upon Africa CDC to develop its legal and policy capacity and credibility in order to achieve productive engagements with private and philanthropic sectors. Recognition as a credible technical organization will be the foundation to establish sustainable collaborations with diverse stakeholders, enhance resource mobilization prospects and obtain funds.

It is in this light that the Africa CDC will convene this special event on 26 October 2018 (tentative), to introduce itself as the fulcrum for coordinating health assets and response from private and public sectors in order to meet the health security challenges of the African region.

#### **Objective of the Assignment**

The Partner Engagement Consultant reports to the Director, Africa CDC and advises and supports the Director and members of the agency Governing Board, the private sector engagement expert committee, on issues relating to private and philanthropic sector engagement, including external engagement, identifying external support for emergency preparedness, surveillance and response and developing advocacy and fundraising approaches aimed at building Africa CDC's relationships with its constituencies

# Scope of the Assignment

The Scope of the Assignment will entail to following:

- Serves as a direct liaison to the Director on matters external to the Africa CDC involving private sector engagement.
- Serves as a broker and resource liaison for Africa CDC for the strategic engagement and relationship building between Africa CDC and private sector entities, governments, community organizations, the media, academic institutions and other institutions. This includes brokering of high-level cultivation and outreach meetings with organizations and individuals.
- Develop and execute engagement strategies and tactics to promote Africa CDC in consultation with the Director and other Africa CDC staff as necessary to inform strategies and plans.
- Develops linkages and partnerships with private and Philanthropic sector entities in Africa, and beyond, to identify relevant donors and promote investment of financial resources, expertise or other strategic resources, which include donations and investments (financial and non-financial) in projects or initiatives according to the mission of the Africa CDC.
- Identifies and promotes opportunities for advancing Africa CDC strategic priorities through linkages to innovative financial mechanisms targeting increased investment in African health systems that generates both positive development and returns on investment through efforts to promoting an enabling environment for the private and philanthropic sectors amongst African Member States.
- Encourages and promotes private sector participation in policy dialogue, knowledge sharing and multi-stakeholder initiatives to advance Africa CDC strategic priorities.
- Engages with the leadership in the public and private sectors within the host country, Ethiopia, Africa, and globally to promote the relevance, values and investment opportunities inherent in the presence of Africa CDC in the country
- Assists efforts to establish the Africa CDC Foundation, build its' core constituent base, identifies potential members of the board of directors and facilitates related linkages to the African, European and North American corporate donor communities.

# KEY DELIVERABLES

List of potential private and philanthropic donors to participate in partnerships program and attend program Launch.

# **Duration of the Assignment and Payment Arrangements**

The duration of the Consultancy is three (03) months. A monthly fee of US\$8000 will be paid to the consultant.

### **Qualification and Experience**

Consultant selection will be made based on the following minimum educational and experience criteria:

a) Education: A master's degree in the field of social science or related discipline. A Bachelor's degree and at least 10 years practical experience is also acceptable.

### b) Experience

- Over 10 years' experience and knowledge of the African, European and North American donor communities.
- Over 10 years of understanding of the activities of the African Union Commission and the African Union
- Skill in leadership and managerial abilities to promote programs and activities of Africa CDC.
- Experience in developing and maintaining relations with a wide range of people and organizations, including medical professionals, civil society and community organizations, academia, government representatives, and donor organizations.
- Knowledge of cultivation, solicitation, and stewardship strategies and techniques, particularly in the area of corporate and foundation fundraising techniques required.
- Knowledge of the leadership in public and private sectors in the Africa CDC host country, Ethiopia would be an advantage

### **Required Skills**

- Excellent interpersonal and team building skills and ability to work in a multi-cultural environment.
- Demonstrated management and leadership skills as evidenced by executive level leadership and management of national, regional and global public health programmes.
- Demonstrable collaboration skills as evidenced by significant experience in developing and leading technical collaborations between national, regional and global health partner agencies and governments.
- Entrepreneurial mind set.
- Exceptional interpersonal, and communication skills.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relations with people in a multicultural environment with sensitivity and respect for diversity.
- Builds strong relationships internally and with external actors.
- Strong understanding business principals and public health functions.
- Demonstrated analytical, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills.
- Fluency in English and/or French and any other African Union official language.

The African Union Commission now invites eligible **Individual Consultants** to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested candidate must provide information demonstrating that he/she has the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. Consulting firms may propose individual consultants, but only the experience and qualifications of individuals shall be used in the selection process, and that his or her corporate experience shall not be taken into account, and the contract would be signed with the proposed individual.

### Evaluation and qualification criteria

For evaluation of the expressions of interest the following criteria will be applied:

Criteria, sub-criteria, and point system for the evaluation of the Full Technical Proposals:		
(i) Ge	A master's degree in social science related discipline or Bachelor's degree and at least 10 years practical experience - 20%	Weight 20%
b)	Bachelor Degree in Social Sciences Related Fields-10%	
(ii) Technical approach and methodology and Work Plan:		====(
a) b)	Technical approach and methodology (45%) Work plan(10)	55%
iii) Experience Related to the Assignment (25 points):		25%
a)	At least five (5) years of experience in developing and maintaining relations with a wide range of people and organizations, including medical professionals, civil society and community organizations, academia, government representatives, and donor organizations (10%)	
b)	At least 5 years of Knowledge of the leadership in public and private sectors in the Africa CDC host country, Ethiopia would be an advantage (5%)	
<i>c)</i>	At least 5 years of experience working in a multilateral or bilateral agency in which programs or initiatives required diplomatic coordination between governments or Ministries bodies (5%)	
d)	Significant experience working on the African continent, preferably including experience with or exposure to the African Union (5%)	
	Total weight: 100%	
Total point	s for the three criteria: 100	
The minim	um technical score (St) required to pass is <i>: <u>70</u></i>	

Interested candidates are requested to submit the following documents for AUC's consideration as an attachment to their CVs:

- a) Technical Proposal on:
  - understanding and interpretation of the TOR
  - methodology to be used in undertaking the assignment

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00-13:00hrs and 14:00-17:00 hours Local Time.

Proposal must be delivered in a written form to the address below not later than 15:00 hours local time, **December 11, 2018** 

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**NB:** The Title of the Assignment and Procurement reference number should be clearly indicated in the subject matter of the email.