

Preparation of A State Of The Region Report On Beijing +25

BACKGROUND

In 2020, the world commemorated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women and adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (BPFA, 1995). The BPFA is a comprehensive roadmap for GEWE and serves as the principal gender agenda outlined in twelve critical areas of concern and articulated a vision for women and girls to have equal rights, freedom and opportunities in all spheres of society and to live their lives free from want, fear and violence. IGAD Member States prepared national progress reports highlighting key achievements, challenges, lessons learnt and unmet needs for further action. The national reports fed into a continental dialogue steered by the African Union in 2019 and followed by a global review by the UN early 2020.

Against this backdrop, IGAD Secretariat will synthesize and distill national reports on Beijing + 25 with the view to aggregating, consolidating and documenting progress, challenges and lessons learned at regional level to inform strategies and actions to be pursued through regional cooperation to deepen the gender agenda in the Horn of Africa over the next five years.

IGAD Secretariat seeks the services of a consultant to carry out this task.

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE ASSIGNMENT

To support IGAD Secretariat prepare a State of the Region Report in Implementing Beijing +25 Plan of Action

REQUIRED COMPETENCIES, EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS

- Advanced University Degree (Masters or equivalent) in Gender Studies, Social Sciences, Human Rights, Development Studies or related field.
- At least ten (7) years of relevant professional experience in preparing country or regional status reports on implementation of international, continental or regional normative frameworks
- Demonstrated knowledge of Beijing Platform for Action tracking mechanisms, progress and trends since 1995
- Good knowledge of gender equality and women's empowerment issues, priorities and situation in IGAD region
- Good research, writing and presentation skills
- Fluency in spoken and written English. Knowledge of French will be an added advantage.

HOW TO APPLY

The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) now invites eligible and qualified consultants/firms to submit their proposals as per the TORs attached.

1. Bidding will be conducted through the Selection, Evaluation and Award Criteria of IGAD Procurement Manual January 2017 edition.
2. For submission of accurate proposal, a complete and detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) in English language is attached to this Request for Proposal (RFP).

3. Individuals, consortium of individuals with a team leader or firms may apply fulfilling the requirements in the Terms of Reference.

A cover letter expressing interest must be submitted together with

1. A technical Proposal
2. Financial Proposal
3. Letters of Reference for previous clients
4. The email must clearly state the assignment applied for and marked.
5. The Technical and Financial proposals shall be sent to IGAD Secretariat Procurement Unit to address given below.
6. Late proposal will be rejected.
7. Women applicants are encouraged.

The deadline for submitting the Proposals will be at or before **14hrs00 EAT on Monday 24th August 2020**. The address for submitting of the proposals will be:

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