Finn Church Aid Request for quotation/invitation to tender

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 11^{th} November 2016

RE: Request for quotation No. 11742/011/2016

<u>Consultancy – Needs assessment for early recovery/development project, Awerial</u> <u>County & Yirol East County, Lakes State, South Sudan</u>

Finn Church Aid South Sudan (FCA) is currently seeking a consultant to carry out a feasibility study/needs assessment to select, categorize, profile, prioritize and propose solutions to the South Sudan livelihood challenges that could be considered for support. The resulting report will be used to develop a livelihoods project (early recovery and development) in Lakes State, Awerial County and Yirol East County.

The Specific objective of the proposed action, based on the recommendations of this assessment, is to strengthen the community's capacity to protect, restore and develop livelihoods in sustainable ways.

The proposed start date for this exercise is 28th November 2016 and should not exceed a total of 25 days including 1 day presentation to the FCA Team in Juba to respond to any issues that may arise during the assessment.

Terms of Reference

Geographical area to be covered: Awerial County (Mingkaman & the environs) and Yirol East County (Yirol & the environs), Lakes State, South Sudan.

Key Deliverables

- 1. Assessment report (including, but not limited to, the following: Humanitarian context, approach & methodology, demographics disaggregated by sex and age, key findings and analysis, key recommendations for proposed response, conclusions)
- 2. Validation workshop to discuss the findings and provide for fine tuning of the recommendations.

When identifying strategies and activities (recommendations) at least the following questions should be answered:

- What are the limiting factors in increasing the production in the various forms of livelihood mainly agricultural production, livestock production and fisheries (e.g. lack of know-how, lack of inputs, etc)?
- What interventions have been tried by other players in the past and what has been their impact?
- How can markets (for agricultural produce, livestock produce and fish) be accessed in a better way?
- How can sourcing of products/inputs be improved?
- What needs to be done to improve the quality of the products (value addition)?
- What needs to be done to reduce costs in production, processing and marketing?

Required Qualifications and Expertise

The assignment will be carried out by a competent consultant/firm with expertise and knowledge of livelihoods and also value chain approaches. The consulting team selected should have the following expertise and competencies;

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Expertise

- General expertise in livelihoods (agriculture, fisheries, livestock, value chain analysis etc.)
- A good knowledge of South Sudan livelihood dynamics
- Prior demonstrated experience in a similar capacity
- Minimum of a Master's Degree in Agribusiness, Economics, Development studies, Agricultural Economics or any other related field
- Ability to manage fixed scheduled assignments.

Competencies

- Strong research and analytical skills
- Positive, constructive attitude to work.
- Ability to act professionally and flexibly to engage with government officials, donor representatives, private sector and communities.

Those interested may submit their bids by providing a technical and financial proposal.

Kindly indicate the following in the proposals:

- Daily rate per consultant per day (in USD)
- Number of days required to complete the assessment
- Payment mode
- Availability (see timeline mentioned above).

FCA will cater for logistical costs (in-country) including related materials/supplies as agreed upon with the successful candidate.

- You can send your proposals in a sealed envelope addressed to Finn Church Aid, mentioning the tender No. **11742/011/2016** to the following addresses mentioned below or by email to: **admin.ssuco@kua.fi** (with tender No. **11742/011/2016** as subject).

Physicall addresses (in case of hand delivery)

- Juba : Tong Ping, Jubana Bari Area, near Midan Rembo, Bilpham Rd.
- Mingkaman : Humanitarian Hub, next to IMC compound, opp. UN distribution site (GFD)

Deadline for submission is no later than **21**st November **2016 at 17:00**.