



TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR A CONSULTANT

1st CSOs-Led NATIONAL DOMESTIC EDUCATION FINANCING CONFERENCE BRINGING TOGETHER GOVERNMENTS, EDUCATION PARTNERS, DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS AND DONOR COMMUNITY, & CSOs TO DISCUSS HOW TO LOCALLY FINANCE SOUTH SUDAN'S EDUCATION

BACKGROUND

Help Education South Sudan was established and registered by RRC (#696) in 2015 to provide Education and training to a range of categories of people in South Sudan. Education system in South has been impaired due to prolong conflict, with most budget for Education and health going for security at the expense of Education.

With the lack of prioritization for education as evidenced in the little allocation of funds during the annual budget reading, the country risk enduring a plethora of setbacks emanating from poor education system lacking in the impetus deemed essential in achieving sustainable development goal four, "Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all".

With underfunding being the major stagnating factor, the above-mentioned conference therefore seeks to gauge the government attention into understanding and responding to the urgent need for the increase the education budget to improve its quality.

The Education sector is too dependent on aide. Over years the sector has received significant but remain unsustainable off-budget donor support.

Erratic funding further impacts education provision in South Sudan. The flow of current Education budget, including salaries is unpredictable due to liquidity issues, and development budget for Education has been very limited or nonexistence. This has caused imposition of school fees, which further limits educational opportunities for poor families.

Although Education sector in South Sudan received relatively high proportion of government budget, the proportion remains insufficient to meet the vision and challenges of the sector. In addition South Sudan spending on Education sector remains the lowest in Eastern Africa with an investment in public Education, standing at less than 1 per cent of real GDP in 2017 (UNESCO 2017)

These pressing factors (low education budget, low salary, infrastructural challenges, low literacy rate, lack of qualified teachers, low enrollment and huge proportion of out of schoolchildren. Low teachers' salary in addition to salary irregularities demotivate teachers in teaching effectively.



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Position Title: Consultant
Location: Juba, South Sudan
Duration: 1 Month



ROLE PURPOSE

The slight improvement in the literacy rate in South Sudan is due to the humanitarian intervention resulting from donor commitments and pledges as part of improving the dire situation created by incessant wars that have rampaged the communities. This therefore underscores the need for the local financing initiative to get activated with the potential to wholly take up the financial responsibility of the education sector hence the purpose of the conference.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

The consultant will with do the following roles and responsibilities;

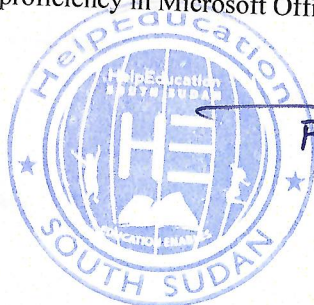
1. Revised the domestic financing of education concept note.
2. Critically analyze the domestic financing of education in South Sudan and the East African countries in the last five years.
3. Research on the locally available resources in South Sudan and how these resources could be mobilized and planned to finance Education in South Sudan.
4. Facilitate the conference for three days.
5. Write CSOs brief policy statement.
6. Compile and write final report on Domestic Education financing conference.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

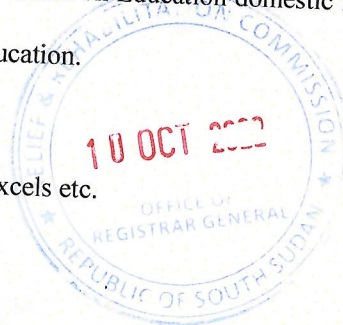
- Experience in leading high-level conference planning and event management and facilitation
- Experience in facilitating conferences.
- Excellent communication skills with the ability to write clearly, concisely and with strong verbal communicationskills.
- Ability to work effectively and efficiently under tight deadlines.
- Should hold higher degree (Masters is an added advantage) with strong background in Education resource and finance management and resource mobilization.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

- A qualified Education resource mobilization expert, Education resource and finance management with a Master degree in Education resource and finance management.
- At least 3 years of experience in delivering training/conference on Education domestic financing, with preference given to those working in Education.
- Proven technical experience in domestic financing of Education.
- Demonstrable experience in training and leading a team.
- Proven experience in donor reporting.
- Proven knowledge of South Sudan's context
- Excellent proficiency in Microsoft Office, power point, excels etc.



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APPLICATION PROCESS.

Interested companies/applicants must submit:

- technical and financial proposals not exceeding five pages detailing:
 - Understanding of the ToR.
 - How your experience is relevant to the assignment – provide concrete examples.
 - Intended approach, plan, capacity, competence, and other relevant information on the ability to successfully deliver Education financing conference.
 - Curriculum Vitae showing experience relevant to the consultancy.
 - 2 References and/or Reference Letters.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

HESS commitment to Safeguarding

HESS is committed to the safeguarding and protection of the communities we serve, our partners, our volunteers, and our staff.

As part of this commitment to safeguarding, all offers of employment will be subject to satisfactory references and appropriate background checks. HESS also participates in the Inter-Agency Misconduct Disclosure Scheme. In line with this Scheme, we will request information from job applicants' previous employers about any findings of sexual exploitation, sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment during employment or incidents under investigation when the applicant left employment.

HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates/companies to send proposal and curriculum vitae (including comprehensive details of key achievements and responsibilities, and a list of references) along with a covering letter to: ed.helpeducationssd@gmail.com OR hand delivered to **HelpEducation South Sudan Office at Yaro Plaza, 3rd Floor, Hai Cinema- Juba latest by Oct 27th, 2022 at 4:00 pm.**

