



ToR for Consultant on Developing an Advocacy Strategy for Advancing the Rights of War related SGBV survivors

About KRCT

The Kosovo Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims (KRCT) is a non-governmental organization established in 1999 that provides interdisciplinary services in support of civilian war victims, in particular survivors of sexual violence during the war in Kosovo. These provisions of services include medical and psychological therapy for survivors and their family members, awareness on their legal rights, legal advice, economic empowerment programs, and activities aiming towards institutional recognition of their rights.

Further, KRCT is involved with identifying, assessing, treating, referring and monitoring of Gender-Based Violence (GBV) survivors among repatriated and persons of concern to UNHCR (returnees, refugees, internally displaced persons and persons at risk of statelessness). Thus, KRCT continues to pursue its mission by helping survivors obtain justice; advocating with government, parliament and international organizations on the need to respect the prohibition of torture and working in partnership with like-minded organizations around the world to eradicate torture.

In addition, within its mandate to promote and advance respect for human rights for persons deprived of their liberty, KRCT undertakes regular monitoring visits in places of detention, such: prisons, detention centers, police custodial cells, mental health institutions and also promotes the practices and legislative standards for the protection and enhancing the respect for the rights of persons deprived of their liberty.

The KRCT sees its role in the society as a service provider, litigator and human rights watchdog. Of particular importance the constant and strong advocacy effort that KRCT has made with government institutions in addressing the needs of survivors of sexual violence during the war in Kosovo, as well as persons deprived of their liberties.

About the role

KRCT through the support of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) is implementing the project "*Amplifying Voices of Women affected by war related SGBV in the Western Balkan.*" Through this project, KRCT is aiming to create a culture of recognition and reconciliation in the Western Balkans for women survivors of war related SGBV to live in dignity and free from violence. A key goal is to reflect the topic of war related SGBV in political debates and curricula; improve laws and procedures for compensation mechanisms; improve court procedures; and to recognize likeminded feminist women's organisations as experts in political national and regional reconciliation processes. This project is implemented in partnership with medica mondiale (Germany), medica Zenica, Vive Žene (Bosnia and Herzegovina), medica Gjakova, (Kosovo), Youth Initiative for Human Rights and Women in Black (Serbia).

Background

War related SGBV survivors often face severe physical, psychological, and social challenges as a result of their traumatic experiences. Addressing the rights and needs war related SGBV survivors requires a comprehensive and targeted advocacy strategy. This consultancy aims to develop an

advocacy strategy that will effectively advance the rights of war related SGBV survivors and promote their well-being and inclusion in society.

The primary objective of this consultancy is to develop a comprehensive advocacy strategy that focuses on advancing the rights of war related SGBV survivors. The strategy should:

a. Raise awareness: Increase public awareness about the rights and needs of war related SGBV survivors, their experiences, and the importance of supporting them.

b. Influence policy: Advocate for policy changes at local, national, and international levels to strengthen legal frameworks and ensure the protection and empowerment of war related SGBV survivors.

c. Mobilize resources: Facilitate the mobilization of financial and technical resources to support programs and initiatives that address the needs of war related SGBV survivors.

d. Promote inclusivity: Promote the inclusion and active participation of war related SGBV survivors in decision-making processes that affect their lives, ensuring their voices are heard and their perspectives are considered.

e. Foster partnerships: Identify and engage relevant stakeholders, including government agencies, civil society organizations, survivors' networks, and international entities, to collaborate and coordinate efforts in advancing the rights of war related SGBV survivors.

Scope of Work:

The consultancy will involve the following key activities:

a. Desk review: Conduct a thorough review of existing literature, reports, and legal frameworks related to war related SGBV survivors, their rights, and existing advocacy efforts.

b. Stakeholder mapping: Identify key stakeholders involved in addressing the rights of war related SGBV survivors, including government agencies, NGOs, survivor networks, and relevant international organizations.

c. Needs assessment: Assess the specific needs and challenges faced by war related SGBV survivors, including physical, psychological, legal, and social aspects.

d. Strategy development: Develop a comprehensive advocacy strategy that outlines specific goals, objectives, and action plans to advance the rights of war related SGBV survivors. The strategy should include clear timelines, indicators for measuring progress, and mechanisms for monitoring and evaluation.

e. Capacity building: Identify capacity-building needs for organizations and individuals working with war related SGBV survivors and develop recommendations for training and support programs.

f. Resource mobilization plan: Develop a plan to mobilize financial and technical resources for the implementation of advocacy initiatives and programs targeting war related SGBV survivors.

g. Monitoring and evaluation framework: Develop a framework to monitor and evaluate the progress and impact of the advocacy strategy, including indicators, data collection methods, and reporting mechanisms.

Deliverables and Timeline:

The indicative estimated time to complete the development of the strategic action advocacy plan is approximately 5 working days and is expected to conclude by the 15.09. 2023. The consultant should deliver the following:

a. Inception report: A detailed report outlining the proposed approach, methodology, and work plan within two weeks of contract commencement.

b. Draft advocacy strategy: A comprehensive draft advocacy strategy for advancing the rights of war related SGBV survivors, including all components as outlined in Section 3. The draft should be submitted for review within six weeks of contract commencement.

c. Final advocacy strategy: A revised and finalized advocacy strategy incorporating feedback received during the review process. The final strategy should be submitted within eight weeks of contract commencement.

d. Capacity-building recommendations: A report outlining recommendations for capacity-building programs and support initiatives for organizations and individuals working with war related SGBV survivors.

e. Resource mobilization plan: A detailed plan outlining strategies and approaches for mobilizing financial and technical resources to support the implementation of the advocacy strategy.

f. Monitoring and evaluation framework: A framework for monitoring and evaluating the progress and impact of the advocacy strategy, including indicators, data collection methods, and reporting mechanisms.

Selection criteria:

- Hold at least Bachelor's degree in Communication Studies, Communication for Development Results, Advocacy or related discipline.
- Demonstrate at least 3 years of relevant professional experience.
- Substantive and demonstrable experience in strategic planning that includes the development of advocacy strategies for NGOs.
- Significant experience working with civil society organisations in the Western Balkans region.
- Fluent in English.
- Excellent written and analytical skills.
- Ability to work under pressure.
- Results Oriented.

Application process

Applications have to be submitted via e-mail to: info@krct.org or krct_org@yahoo.com no later than **14th of July 2023**, indicating in subject line: **Application for Project Manage / Transitional Justice specialist.**

Application needs to include:

- CV;
- Cover letter, indicating relevant skills for this assignment, including recent experience;
- Two references/previous employers/supervisors who are able to comment on your ability to deliver on the assignment as described with ToRs.

Note: Incomplete proposals shall not be considered for further process. Proposals received after the exact time specified for receipts of offer shall be considered late and shall not be evaluated.
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.