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TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR no. 2022/020)

Service provision for conducting <u>training activities with</u> <u>school staff, health promotion specialists, local government</u> <u>representatives and key agents of change at community level</u> in the framework of the project "Shkollat për Shëndetin"

1. BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

As of the 1st of March 2021, Save the Children have started the implementation of the main phase of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) Project: *"Shkollat për Shëndetin"*.

The aim of the Project is to promote healthy behavioural practices and healthy lifestyle habits in the Albanian population, with a particular focus on schoolchildren (aged 6-16 years) in order to control and prevent effectively the major risk factors for non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and other health emergencies including COVID-19.

One of the main interventions of the project "Shkollat për Shëndetin" concerns the capacity building of key actors and beneficiaries through provision of training activities, peer-to-peer education, and continuous professional development. Hence, similar to last year, the second implementation year of the project "Shkollat për Shëndetin" (covering the period March 2022 – February 2023) foresees a wide range of capacity building activities involving teachers and other relevant school staff, health professionals, local government representatives and key agents of change at local level including individuals, groups of individuals and local civil society organizations (CSOs).

Also, in the second implementation year of the project, the onsite interventions will be expanded in three other regions of Albania that is Lezhë, Durrës and Berat.

2. AIM AND OBJECTIVES OF THE SERVICE

Aim:

Save the Children is seeking to <u>prequalify (preselect) relevant service providers for</u> <u>eventually conducting onsite training activities</u> for all actors at local level consisting of key agents of change including individuals, groups of individuals and local CSOs, for the needs of the project "Shkollat për Shëndetin".

The focus of these capacity building activities should be on <u>training of not only the</u> teachers and health promotion professionals, but also a wide range of municipality personnel, other key local representatives, local NGOs, as well as private sector representatives.

Specific Objectives (with further explanations under Section 3: "Approach of the service"):

- To conduct capacity building activities (training sessions) with school <u>teachers</u> and other relevant school staff.
- To conduct capacity building activities (training sessions) with <u>health</u> <u>professionals</u>.
- To conduct capacity building activities (training sessions) with <u>local</u> <u>government</u> representatives.
- To conduct capacity building activities (training sessions) with <u>local CSOs</u>, <u>groups of individuals and key individuals</u> (agents of change) at local level.

3. APPROACH OF THE SERVICE

- 3.1. The Service Provider is expected to be capable of eventually conducting capacity building activities with <u>teachers</u> and <u>other relevant school staff</u>:
 - The school teachers included in the capacity building activities (training sessions) should consist of the following disciplines: biology, health and physical education, civic education, and primary education. In addition, other relevant school staff should be involved in these capacity building activities including school authorities, school nurses/physicians, psychologists, and social workers.
- 3.2. The Service Provider is expected to be capable of eventually conducting capacity building activities with <u>health professionals</u>:
 - The health professionals included in the capacity building activities (training sessions) should consist of local health promotion specialists and other relevant health professionals attached to health promotion cabinets (pertinent to local health care units).

- 3.3. The Service Provider is expected to be capable of eventually conducting capacity building activities with <u>local government</u> representatives:
 - The local government representatives included in the capacity building activities (training sessions) should consist of a wide range of professionals working at municipalities in charge of education, health, social services, food and nutrition, school infrastructure, as well as other relevant sectors.
- 3.4. The Service Provider is expected to be capable of eventually conducting capacity building activities with key <u>agents of change at community level</u>:
 - The local agents of change included in the capacity building activities (training sessions) should consist of key individuals, groups of individuals and CSOs at local/community level in the areas targeted for in-depth interventions by the project "Shkollat për Shëndetin".

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR POTENTIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

The service provider should meet the following criteria in order to address effectively and timely the specific requirements of this call:

- The service provider should consist of a joint venture of at least 2 nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) with specific experience in capacity building interventions with the respective targeted audiences (teachers, health professionals, local government representatives, and agents of change at community level).
- Each organization of the service provider must be a legally registered NGO in Albania and comply with the country's legislation.
- Each of the NGOs must have proven working experience with capacity building activities (provision of training sessions with the respective targeted audiences).
- Each of the NGOs should have proven experience in project management and in report writing.
- Each of the NGOs should have proven ability to meet deadlines and work under pressure.
- Each of the NGOs should have flexibility in responding to the needs of the contracting agency.

5. PROPOSAL

The service provider is expected to submit a proposal, including:

• <u>Technical</u> proposal including, at least, the following elements:

- Interventional approach of the capacity building activities (training sessions) including the proposed work-plan, timeline, and other relevant elements;
- Comprehensiveness and coherence according to the specific objectives of this call;
- Feasibility of the proposed interventions.
- <u>Financial</u> bid/proposal including the following elements:
 - Daily fees in ALL (Albanian Lekë) of the proposed experts (all taxes included), differentiating between senior experts and junior experts.
 - Onsite training cost (breakdown budget for the training cost) for one session of at least 12 participants.
- <u>CVs</u> of the each of the NGOs and the key experts proposed, including a summary of expertise areas as per requirements of these "Terms of Reference", demonstrating previous experience in conducting capacity building activities (training sessions) with the targeted audiences (school teachers, health professionals, local government representatives, and key agents of change at community level).
- A copy of <u>ID card</u> of the representative of the each of the NGOs.
- Legal registration of the each of the NGOs (a copy of NIPT).

Important Note

<u>Bidders are not expected to provide a total price for the mandate, but rather indicate</u> the daily fees (all taxes included) of the proposed experts and onsite training cost for <u>one session for at least 12 participants</u>. The evaluation of the bids will be done based on the value for money taking in consideration the overall score in function of the profile and experience of the bidding organization, the adequacy of the proposed experts, the fee charged for each of them and fee of one session. The total value of the mandate will be established in a second stage, with the winners, based on a jointly agreed operational planning that respects the budget constraints of the project.

6. AWARD CRITERIA

The award criteria will consist of the following:

- Technical proposal: 50%
- Financial proposal: 40%
- Qualification and experience of the service provider: 10%

The award criteria are specified in detail in the table below:

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION	SCORE
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	Comprehensiveness (completeness) and coherence (consistency) of the proposal	10%
Technical proposal	Methodology: proposed intervention approach for the capacity building activities	20%
	Feasibility of implementation	10%
Financial proposal	Subtotal	40%
	Experts' daily fees	20%
	Financial feasibility	20%
CV of the applicant	Subtotal	40%
	<i>NGOs</i> : experience with similar projects (capacity building activities for teachers, health professionals, local governments, agents of change at community level)	5%
	<i>Project Manager</i> ¹ : degrees, qualifications and experience of the proposed team leader (project coordinator)	5%
	<i>Experts</i> ² : qualification and experience of the proposed key experts (in health promotion, health education, capacity building interventions)	10%
	Subtotal	20%
TOTAL SCORE		100%

7. ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECTS

Interested service providers should submit:

1 - A <u>technical</u> proposal (approach, work-plan, and the proposed timeline of the activities for each of the NGOs involved),

2 - Financial proposal,

¹ The manager (CEO) of each of the NGOs must have adequate qualifications (at least a master degree) and proven working experience (at least 5 years) with capacity building activities (training sessions) with the respective targeted audiences (teachers, health professionals, local government representatives, and agents of change at community level).

² The key experts proposed by each of the NGOs should hold a MSc degree in Health Sciences, Education, Social Sciences, or other relevant degrees and should have proven working experience with capacity building activities. All the proposed experts pertinent to the service provider should have excellent oral and written communication skills in both Albanian and English languages.

3 - <u>CVs</u> of the NGOs and the respective key experts proposed,

4 - Copy of the <u>ID</u> card of the legal representative,

5- A partnership agreement (joint venture) among the NGOs constituting the service provider, with a clear specification of the responsibilities and tasks of each NGO involved and specifying the NGO which will act as the contractor for the service,

6 - <u>Bank</u> details of the NGO responsible for the financial report as per the partnership agreement (joint venture),

by close of business 29 - 03 - 2022.

The application should be submitted in English in a sealed envelope. Financial offer should be submitted in a separate envelope from the technical proposal and state if VAT is applicable for such service. On each envelope (technical proposal, and financial offer) it should be written clearly the full name of the current tender/call.

Address: The envelopes should be submitted to the following address:

Please do not open!

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Late submissions: Bids submitted after the deadline will not be taken into consideration. They will not be opened and will be destroyed.

Submission of written questions about this call may be addressed to shkollat.per.shendetin@savethechildren.org, by close of business 17 - 03 - 2022. All questions will be responded by close of business 21 - 03 - 2022.