

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY



## AFRICAN PARLIAMENTARIANS NETWORK AGAINST CORRUPTION

APNAC-DRC

House of the People, Lingwala/Kinshasa-DRC

# CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

## N°003/APNAC - DRC/2019

## "Project to support parliamentarians in the prevention and the fight against corruption"

*Technical assistance to APNAC in updating the legal and institutional framework for the prevention and the fight against corruption.* 

### 1. General context

## 1.1.Project background

**APNAC-DRC** is a chapter of the **African Parliamentarians Network Against Corruption** (APNAC). Established in Kampala in 1999, APNAC Africa is headquartered in ACCRA/GHANA. This network advocates for an African continent more committed than ever to the fight against corruption, a devastating phenomenon which consequences can no longer be counted.

The aim of this project is to contribute to the prevention and the fight against corruption in DRC.

This mission is part of the APNAC-DRC led project, funded by OSISA to train Parliamentarians and civil society activists in their role of preventing and fighting corruption.

The overall objective of this project which enters the operational phase in September 2019, is the "*Promotion of transparency, control and accountability*",

The programme coordinates all the components of the issues surrounding the update of the legal framework for combating corruption: administration of justice / modernization of the legislation / independence and efficiency of jurisdictions / capacity building of parliamentarians and civil society actors / bringing elected representatives closer to the citizens for a better implementation of accountability.

It is structured in 4 results relating to:

- *i.* The improved interactions between parliamentarians and members of civil society;
- *ii.* The update of the legal and institutional framework for combating corruption;
- *iii.* Collecting information through a listening centre to promote accountability;

#### iv. Raising the awareness of Parliamentarians on ethics.

The proposed mission contributes to the outcome (*ii*), which requires (1°) the recruitment of experienced consultants to help updating the legal framework for the fight against corruption; (2°) the organisation of exchange sessions between the consultants and justice experts, as well as those of anti-corruption bodies, in order to have a quality work done, on one hand and (3°) the recruitment of communication agents to record all the denunciations made through a call centre; (4) the drafting of daily reports that will be published quarterly and at the end of the year as a consolidated report, on the other hand.

### 2. Description of the mission

### 2.1.General objective

The mission's overall objective is to provide technical assistance to APNAC in formulating proposals for anti-corruption prevention and anti-corruption laws aimed at updating and aligning the Congolese criminal law and criminal procedure with DRC's constitutional guidelines and international obligations regarding the prevention and the fight against corruption. And the production of a final report on denunciations by creating a debate that will help the country move forward in the fight against corruption.

### 2.2. Specific goals

The specific objectives are, on the one hand, to achieve a comprehensive diagnosis of the legal framework of justice and on the other hand to support the design of a legislative and regulatory programme that will bring the proposed legal reforms into line. But also, to launch a national debate on the rate of corruption in different sectors of activities.

#### 3. Requested services

#### 3.1. Tasks to perform

#### A. The consultants:

- 1. will participate in the realization of a comprehensive diagnosis of the legal framework of the current Congolese judicial organization and by identifying the contradictions and shortcomings of the body of standards on the theme of anti-corruption and related facts;
- 2. will identify the regulatory texts to accompany the current and future legislative structure;
- 3. will participate in identifying areas for legislative reforms imposed by the provisions of international treaties to which the DRC is a party, including the UN Conventions, the African Union Convention and the Protocol SADC Protocol on the prevention and the fight against corruption;
- 4. will participate in the identification and critical analysis of texts already drafted by APNAC as well as any other anti-corruption organisation and prepare the process that should lead to an effective passage into law;

- 5. will lead a workshop for all experts from the Ministry of Justice and the OSCEP with the aim of enriching the draft proposals of the laws;
- 6. will participate in the drafting of the final document, which will serve as the basis for advocacy and lobbying and which will be formally handed over to APNAC-DRC and the Parliament.

The legislative database and the documentary developed by APNAC-DRC which gather most of the required documentation will be made available to the consultants. A copy of the database will be provided by APNAC-RDC to the consultants 15 days before the beginning of their mission.

### B. Members of the listening centre:

- 1. Collect information on corruption;
- 2. Answer all the general, anonymous, confidential and free calls from anyone who wants to confide in APNAC-DRC to denounce;
- 3. Record all calls received;
- 4. Draft daily, quarterly and annual reports.

## 4. Expected results

- The quality of the work produced by consultants.
- Approval by Parliament and alignment of laws for discussion.
- The number of civil society organizations involved in the advocacy;
- Comments received from organized outreach programs.
- Debates around whistleblowing reports.

## 5. Qualification requirements

All interested persons would have to produce information demonstrating that they are qualified and experienced to carry out these services within the required time frame.

## **Profile of the Consultant:**

- A master's degree in law or a degree in humanities with experience in legal and judicial issues, with a knowledge of treaty law;
- 10 years of relevant professional experience in national or international public institutions with proven expertise and excellent credentials in good governance and more specifically in the prevention and fight against corruption;
- Strong writing skills coupled with a good knowledge of legislative and regulatory drafting;

- Experience in fact-finding mission, support or evaluation of projects, including those related to the prevention and fight against corruption implemented by nongovernmental organizations;
- Ability to lead workshops for adults training, and ragogy;
- Mastery of office software (including Word and PowerPoint);
- Mastery of the French language;
- Time conscious and available whenever needed.
- Have at least one reference firm.

### **Profile of the Call centre agent**

- A degree in communication;
- Strong writing skills coupled with a good knowledge of the fight against anti-values;
- Able to communicate easily, with courtesy and precision;
- Mastery of common software (including Word, Excel and PowerPoint);
- Be available full-time;
- Able to work under pressure;
- In addition to the French language, mastery of at least two national languages;
- Reside in Kinshasa/DRC.

## 6. Funding

The services to be provided are funded by the Convention SGDR05961 signed between OSISA and APNAC-DRC, relating to the project to support Parliamentarians in the prevention and the fight against corruption.

## 7. Application file:

Candidates interested by this Call for Expressions of Interest will be required to provide:

- 1) Letter of expression of interest attesting to the candidate's ability to provide us with quality work and within the best timeframe;
- 2) A detailed and up-to-date CV justifying his/her experience and expertise in governance, and more specifically in the prevention and fight against corruption, with three references;
- 3) Copies of diplomas, certificates and attestations.

**N.B**: Women are encouraged to apply.

The deadline for submissions is scheduled for Monday, September 30, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. Kinshasa time.

## The application file must contain:

- 1. The cover letter;
- 2. The Resume or Curriculum Vitae

- 3. Photocopy of diploma/certificate;
- 4. The photocopy of the ID card.

Interested applicants are asked to send their application to the following address: appacrdc.postulant@gmail.com

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Only successful applicants will be contacted.

Done in Kinshasa, the

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