
Call for Project Proposals to contribute to the Innovations Lab Kosovo Programme

UNICEF Kosovo* Programme seeks a team of one senior and one junior consultant to assess the UNICEF_ Austrian Development Agency-supported "Innovation for Generating Employment and Achieving Resilience" – (InGEAR) programme.

Background

The UNICEF Innovations Lab Kosovo* is a vehicle enabling young people to transform their potential into strengthened capacity required for successful professional life, while concretely addressing existing social challenges within their communities and generating new employment opportunities through cultivation of innovative social entrepreneurship. This will be achieved through a unique set of partnerships and activities - bringing together academia, the private sector and the public sector - in a mutually beneficial structure geared towards supporting Kosovo*'s youth to succeed in a modern commercial context.

Supported by the Austrian Development Agency, the UNICEF Lab-led "Innovation for Generating Employment and Achieving Resilience" project is now bridging from the first to the second phase. An assessment of the first phase is required to assess successes, failures, and progress toward the project objectives and expected results so as to inform strategies and plans for phase two.

Qualifications

- Local or International Expert (Senior)
 - Qualified in evaluation management, programme evaluation, research and analysis, and reporting;
 - Experience in the evaluation of projects benefitting youth and adolescent, education, and/or employability programmes is required;
 - Experience with OECD/DAC Evaluation Quality Standards are similarly required;
 - Recommended experience and expertise in evaluating cross-cutting issues (gender, environment, minority rights and/or social inclusion).
 - A CV, P11 Personal History Form, and a reference assessment are required.
- Local or International Expert (Junior)
 - Qualified in ethnography, quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis, primarily
 - A CV and P11 Personal History are required.

Tasks

- A desk review of present policy and institutional initiatives related to youth empowerment and entrepreneurship along with project documentation;
- An inception report outlining the current project environment with regard to policy and institutional priorities and project progress toward objectives;
- Protocol for conducting field interviews, validated with key stakeholders;

Deliverables

- Field study will consist of 20 direct interviews and 6 focus groups, utilizing qualitative (ethnographic) and qualitative methods, contributing to an assessment of project progress to date; relevance to beneficiary priorities; an assessment of enablers/disablers for the project and for beneficiaries relative to the project objectives; and the assessment of impact on beneficiaries. Data collected via the field study will be disaggregated via sex, geography, and ethnicity;
- A draft final report will be produced in English and validated with key stakeholders;
- A final report will be prepared following validation;
- The assessment is expected to comply with OECD DAC Evaluation Quality Standards (Annex 1)

Deadline for application: **14 July 2017**

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