

Counterpart International Consultancy Opportunity Description

Title: Technical Consultant (Biodiversity)

Location: Maputo, Mozambique

Practice Area: Programs

Reporting to: Chief of Party

Start Date: Immediate

Counterpart International helps people build better lives and more durable futures, community by community. We equip individuals, organizations and communities -our counterparts- to become solution creators in their own families, communities, regions and countries. We work with them in some of the world's most challenging places to tackle social, economic, environmental, health and governance issues that threaten their lives and undermine their futures.

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Job Profile:

Counterpart International is seeking for a Technical Consultant (Biodiversity) to identify citizen led biodiversity conservation and governance activities that would promote their participation in sustainable utilization of marine resources in Mozambique in accordance with national legislation and recognized management best practices. The consultancy is under a four-year *Parceria Cívica para Boa Governação* (PCBG) program funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). PCBG's core objectives is to strengthen the impact of civic activism to improve, accountable, effective, and democratic governance in the program's target sectors which include biodiversity conservation, climate change, education, extractive industries, health, transparent and accountable governance, and elections.

This is a consultancy based in Maputo, Mozambique for a period of 15 days.

Scope of Work

PCBG focuses on improving organizations' skills to contribute to policy dialogue, collect evidence, conduct research and provide more opportunities for citizens to engage in Mozambique's development. The scope of work is intended as guidance for consultants to apply for this assignment that is part of the *Parceria Cívica para Boa Governação* program, implemented by Counterpart International. Through this consultancy, the consultant will work closely with PCBG team to identify specific activities and propose recommendations that will promote citizen participation in sustainable utilization of marine resources in Mozambique/Inhambane in accordance with national legislation and recognized management best practices.

Specific tasks include but are not limited to:

1. Conduct a situational analysis that will identify citizen led advocacy and policy engagement opportunities in biodiversity.

- a) In consultation with PCBG, the consultant will carry out a situational analysis to identify opportunities for citizen led advocacy and policy engagement in marine biodiversity in the country. The situational report will focus on analyzing the opportunities for engagement at national level its interplay with provincial efforts with a focus on Inhambane to achieve policy success.
- b) The consultant will provide an analysis and recommendations on the available opportunities for policy and advocacy engagement in biodiversity conservation in the country.

2. Identify specific policy and advocacy activities that promote citizen participation in sustainable utilization of marine resources in the country.

- a) In consultation with PCBG team, the consultant will identify specific advocacy and policy activities in line with the organization’s priorities that promote citizen participation in sustainable utilization of marine resources

Qualifications

Required:

- At least seven (7) years’ experience in Biodiversity conservation
- Demonstrated familiarity with Mozambican CSOs and stakeholders involved in Biodiversity conservation program delivery
- Ability to work under pressure and to meet tight deadlines, with minimum supervision;
- Strong report writing; analytical, communication and interpersonal skills;
- Excellent English communication skills and fluency in the Portuguese language.

Preferred:

- Master’s Degree/PHD in Environmental Studies, Management, Biodiversity and in Social Sciences and/or relevant experience
- Substantial experience working with Biodiversity NGOs, Government Agencies and or UN agencies
- Experience working with persons with disabilities or disabled people’s organizations.

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Background and minimum educational qualifications	20%
Substantial professional knowledge and experience in public health policy research	50%
Financial Cost	30%

TO APPLY:

Interested applicants should send a cover letter and Curriculum Vitae to procurement.pcbg@counterpart.org with the text “Consultant (Biodiversity)” in the subject area. Applications that do not follow the instructions may be disqualified. Applications should be submitted no later than **October 2, 2018**.