

UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME



ANNOUNCEMENT FOR CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

<u>ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER</u>	VA/09-30
<u>DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS</u>	Friday, 13 November 2009
<u>TITLE</u>	Consultant (Project Evaluation)
<u>ACTUAL DURATION</u>	23 days
<u>ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT</u>	Russian Federation Country Office, Moscow
<u>DUTY STATION</u>	Home-based, with travel to the Russian Federation
<u>REMUNERATION*</u>	ESTIMATED GROSS FEE: USD 9,200

* This assignment does not carry any entitlement to social benefits such as medical insurance, pension, sick leave, etc.

BACKGROUND/RESPONSIBILITIES:

The project TDGLOC54 "Establishing a global network of youth programmes for drug abuse prevention", launched in 2007 is built upon two UNODC projects: the Global Initiative on Primary Prevention of Substance Abuse and the Global Youth Network. The project is executed under the Agreements of Regional and municipal administrations of seven regions of the Russian Federation: St. Petersburg, Veliky Novgorod, Novosibirsk, Yekaterinburg, Nizhny Novgorod, Irkutsk, and Kazan (the Republic of Tatarstan). The overall project goal is to improve the drug abuse situation among youth, by mobilizing youth organizations to play more active role in drugs and alcohol prevention and assisting them in the identification and dissemination of up-to-date, culturally-sensitive and youth friendly drug abuse prevention approaches and improvement of a dialogue with local authorities. The project strategy envisaged a greater involvement on youth NGOs in drug prevention activities specifically targeting vulnerable groups. The project aimed to equip NGOs with necessary skills and knowledge, and advocated for inclusion of NGO activities targeted towards the vulnerable groups in the local or federal level funded programs.

The project is coming to end in December 2009 before which a terminal evaluation should be carried out. The main purpose of evaluation will be to assess:

- The quality of the original design, its relevance to the identified needs of the partner regions, and its continued relevance during project implementation.
- The efficiency of project implementation, including with respect to both UNODC and partner government mobilisation and management of resources (budget, inputs and activities).
- The effectiveness of the project in terms of achieving its planned objectives, including outputs delivered and contribution to outcomes.
- The likely overall impact of the project and the sustainability of benefits arising from the project; and
- Whether or not there were unanticipated results, either positive or negative, arising from project implementation.

The evaluation will be carried out by an independent consultant. The evaluation will identify key lessons learned relevant for future policy making and planning (both by UNODC and partner government/regional administrations) with respect to supporting cooperation of regional sites on drug use prevention issues. It will also provide specific recommendations regarding any follow-up actions required by UNODC and partner government/regional administrations to effectively sustain or improve support to the project's programs in the future. The main stakeholders to be involved in the evaluation are: Project Manager, Senior officials from the National Research Centre on Addictions (NSCA), Russian Ministry of Health and Social Development, Senior officials from each participating region involved in policy making, planning, and resource allocation decisions relevant to supporting implementation of the GLOC54FRU project, Donors who have funded TDGLOC54FRU project, UNODC staff at the Office for the Russian Federation, including current and previous project staff, UNODC Independent Evaluation Unit, UNODC staff at HQ (Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Unit, Health and Human Development Section).

QUALIFICATIONS:

Advanced university degree in social sciences, psychology, public health, or a related discipline, and strong analytical skills; In-depth experience in evaluation techniques and drafting evaluation reports; A minimum of ten years of relevant progressively responsible experience and demonstrated project/programme evaluation experience; At least 5 years experience in evaluating drug abuse prevention projects and programmes; Demonstrated ability to work independently, but also as part of a team, and to meet deadlines.

Fluency in English and excellent communication and report writing skills, fluency in Russian desirable.

All applicants are requested to send Curriculum Vitae or a completed United Nations Personal History Profile (UNPHP) available from <http://jobs.un.org>, or UN Personal History form (P.11), available from United Nations offices/websites. Applicants should also outline in a cover letter, with specific reference to the above requirements, why they consider themselves qualified for the position. Due to the expected high volume of applications, only candidates under serious consideration will be contacted.

All applications should be sent to: to UNODC CORUS with reference 'VA/09-30' by e-mail irina.kartseva@unodc.org or by fax +7 495 787 2129.

Preference will be given to equally qualified women candidates and to candidates from developing countries.

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