

CONSULTANT SCOPE OF WORK

Terms of Reference for Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Learning (MERL) Consultant to conduct an evaluation of the EAI Voices for Peace (V4P) Project and to train staff using Outcome Harvesting techniques

Background:

Equal Access International is an international not for profit organization working throughout Asia and Africa. A communication for social change organization that combines the power of media with community mobilization, Equal Access creates customized communications strategies and outreach solutions that address the most critical challenges affecting people in the developing world in the areas of peace and transforming extremism, women's and girl's empowerment, governance, civic participation, youth development, human rights, and health. EAI is currently implementing the Voices for Peace (V4P) US Agency for International Development (USAID) focusing on P/CVE, radicalization, and conflict resolution in the Sahel region of Africa.

V4P is a 5-year, \$31 million project working to reduce vulnerabilities to violent extremism in the Sahel. Country offices implement activities in Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger, Chad, and Cameroon, with each country following a unique workplan tailored to address locally identified drivers of extremism. V4P uses public media and dialogue, primarily radio shows produced across a network of over 80 local stations broadcasting in over 12 local languages, to create a two-way information exchange between governments and citizens, encourage social cohesion, and encourage behavior change.

V4P seeks a monitoring and evaluation consultant with experience in complexity awareness modelling, specifically to work with the V4P M&E team on a follow-up exercise to an outcome harvesting evaluation originally performed in 2020. The consultant will guide five M&E countries in selecting outcomes from the 2020 evaluation for follow up, and to determine which activities or investments of the last calendar year also merit an outcome harvesting investigation. Once outcomes are collected at the country level, the consultant will use an existing outcome database to update project findings and provided updated analysis on where the project's deepest impacts are found. The consultant will work remotely but be in regular contact with the Senior Technical Manager (Washington DC), regional project leadership (Cote d'Ivoire), and the five V4P country offices.

Statement of Work	Deliverable	Deadline & LOE
1. OUTCOME HARVESTING EVALUATIONS		
Review 2020 Outcome harvesting evaluation of the V4P project for familiarity of subject matter.	Introductory call with project leadership and M&E officers	LOE: 1 day
Then, in an introductory call with V4P field teams, consultant and staff will mutually agree on a		Deadline: 2 July 2021

methodology and timetable for the follow-up evaluation to take place in July 2021.		
Individual working sessions with each M&E officer to review harvesting plan	5 calls	LOE: 1 day Deadline: 9 July 2021
Review country level data for thoroughness, accuracy, and relevance. Combine data into master spreadsheet database (to be provided). Consultant will be available as a resource person in case of issues, obstacles, or methodological questions.	Updated database	LOE: 7 days Deadline: 30 July 2021
Provide analysis of updated results using tables and chart formats from 2020 exercise	One visual report	LOE: 5 days Deadline: 9 August 2021

Supervision

The MERL Consultant will be managed by the EAI Senior Technical Manager and liaise with the Deputy Chief of Party for V4P and work frequently with field based V4P staff to ensure quality and impactful implementation of the task.

Duration of Assignment

The assignment will take up to **14 days** from 1 July 2021 to 9 August 2021.

Logistics

EAI will facilitate the Logistics, Accommodation and Meals for the Consultant if undertaking work-required visits beyond their home of record. However, no travel is envisioned for this consultancy and work is to be done remotely, with communications over Skype or Microsoft Teams.

Required Skills & Qualifications:

- At least 10 years of relevant work experience in MERL, preferably in West Africa
- Good understanding of complexity awareness/outcome harvesting approach
- Experience in designing and implementing MERL systems
- An understating of media work, peacebuilding, and CVE work
- Strong analytical skills, including expertise in the modeling and analysis of data
- Fluency in English and French required

Required

The Consultant is expected to share an implementation plan for the assignment indicating the actual dates for the tasks based on the LOE provided.

Interested candidates should apply with a cover letter and CV to v2precrutement@equalaccess.org