

Request For Proposals

Learning and impact evaluation of the Improving Community Awareness and Advocacy on Disability (ICAAD) project

About Kesho Trust Tanzania (www.thekeshotrust.org)

Kesho Trust [Tz] is a non-governmental organization that supports inclusive, community led, environmentally sustainable development in Tanzania. Established in 2006, it is part of The Kesho Trust, a Canadian-based international development organization dedicated to building community based understanding and actions that strengthen the interrelationships between people and the natural environment.

Kesho Trust (Tz) develops long-term partnerships with local organisations, community groups, and research institutions providing practical support which promotes the development of local skills and knowledge.

Our main focus areas at the moment include promoting community led environmental conservation and supporting community based groups of people with disabilities to advocate for their rights.

Background

Over the past two years Kesho Trust [Tz] has been facilitating a £170,000 project, funded by Accountability in Tanzania (AcT), in four districts in Tanzania (Moshi, Hai, Morogoro and Ifakara) working with locally established committees of people with disabilities. It has sought to empower people with disabilities to take up a social/rights based approach in their advocacy efforts with key decision-makers and community representatives especially focusing on the needs of disabled children in education. Overall it aimed to:

1. Increase the ability of organisations of disabled people (DPOs) to identify and influence key decision-makers;
2. Increase the ability of people with disabilities to conduct community awareness activities; and,
3. Increase the capacity of DPOs to work together and to engage their members in rights based activities.

More information about this program can be found at:

- <http://www.thekeshotrust.org/projects/icaad-2/>
- <http://www.thekeshotrust.org/projects/past-projects/icaad/>

Objectives of the consultancy

Kesho Trust is looking for a learning and impact evaluation to help document the changes that have happened at community level and the factors that led to those changes. A significant purpose of this project, according to the theory of change, was to empower people with disabilities so that they could positively influence the way disability is understood by non-disabled people, particularly those in decision making positions. The methodology was deliberately designed to promote empowerment and local level action. The purpose of this consultancy therefore is to:

1. Document the changes that have happened at community level amongst people with disabilities, local leaders, district level government and service providers and the impact this has had on disability inclusion;
2. Highlight the specific methods which have brought about successful changes; and,
3. Make recommendations for how this work could be replicated and scaled up in the future.

Deliverables

The successful consultant will be expected to work with The Kesho Trust to finalise an evaluation framework based on the project theory of change. The consultant is expected to deliver the following:

- Initial framework for the in-country review process.
- Final report.

Timing

It is estimated that the consultancy should take no more than **20** days to complete, as the following breakdown shows:

- Initial briefing and desk review: 3 days
- Country visit: 10 days
- Drafting report: 5 days
- Finalising report: 2 days

The completion time should be no later than **October 17th** 2014. Full terms and conditions of this consultancy will be stipulated in the contractual agreement between the Consultant and Kesho Trust, following agreement on the timeline and budget.

Responsibility and coordination

This consultancy will be coordinated and managed by Kesho Trust's Project Management Consultant, based in the UK who will be the main point of contact for the consultant.

When visiting Tanzania, Kesho Trust [Tz] will cover accommodation and travel. Insurance will be the responsibility of the Consultant.

How to apply

If you are interested in undertaking this consultancy, please email your **CV** and a **proposal** – which should include an outline of the process and intended methodology (no more than one page); a proposed budget and timeline; and your expertise and recent experience, to **Lorraine Wapling: lwapling@thekeshotrust.org**

Closing date: **12th September 2014**. ***NB: if you have any questions linked to this proposal please get in touch before September 5th.***