

CONSULTANT SERVICES PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Date: 26 March 2019

Country: Republic of Moldova

Description of the assignment: National Consultant to develop the content of the national webpage on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence

Project name: Ending Violence against Women, UN Women Moldova

Period of assignment/services: Up to 15 working days within 3,5 months period

Technical proposal and **financial proposal** should be submitted **on-line** no later than **8 April 2019, 23:59 EST**. Requests for clarification only must be sent by standard electronic communication to the following e-mail viorica.culeac@unwomen.org. Please notice that this address is for information requests only, please do not send or copy your application package to this address. UN Women staff will respond in writing or by standard electronic mail and will send written copies of the response, including an explanation of the query without identifying the source of inquiry, to all consultants.

1. BACKGROUND

UN Women, grounded in the vision of equality enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, works for the elimination of discrimination against women and girls; the empowerment of women and the achievement of equality between women and men as partners and beneficiaries of development, human rights, humanitarian action and peace and security.

The work of UN Women in Moldova is guided by its new [Strategic Note \(SN\) for 2018-2022](#), which is aligned with the [Republic of Moldova–United Nations Partnership Framework for Sustainable Development 2018–2022](#) and the [Global Strategic Plan of UN Women](#). The Strategic Note focuses on three main areas: 1/strengthening women’s participation in politics and decision-making 2/economic empowerment of women, and 3/ending violence against women and girls (EVAWG). To achieve progress under these areas, UN Women works with variety of national (government, civil society organizations (CSOs), private sector) and international partners to advance the implementation of existing international and national commitments to women’s rights and gender equality, it facilitates networking and exchange of good practices and advocates for women’s rights and gender equality in all areas of life.

Violence against women (VAW) is one of the most systematic and widespread human rights violations in the world. In Moldova, as in the region and around the world, it affects individuals regardless of context, culture, or socio-economic status, with serious repercussion for women, their families, and society. Despite progress, including in the area of legal and policy reforms, research, and a number of awareness raising campaigns, the prevalence of VAW in Moldova remains high. According to the [National study “Violence against Women in the Family”](#), carried out by the National Bureau of Statistics, and commissioned by UN Moldova in 2011, 63% of women experienced some type of violence (psychological, physical or sexual) from husband/partner during her lifetime, and one in ten women mentioned that she experienced economic violence at least once in her lifetime.

As a response to this challenge, the State has undertaken the initial steps at policy, legislation as well as implementation levels. The [Law No 45-XVI on Preventing and Combating Domestic Violence \(DV\)](#) from 01.03.2007 is an important legislative base for combating the phenomenon in Moldova. The Law provides an

institutional framework detailing the tasks of the competent authorities, provides for the creation of centers/services for the rehabilitation of victims and aggressors, for a mechanism for settling DV cases and protection for victims of DV, including by using protection orders and punitive measures against the aggressor. At the policy level, Government adopted the first [National Strategy on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence for the period 2018-2023](#) and its associated Action Plan for the period 2018-2020. The National Strategy aims at providing a systemic approach to violence against women and domestic violence phenomenon for ensuring effective and prompt response from relevant stakeholders in cases of violence.

One of the important activities planned toward implementing the national strategy is ensuring the maintenance of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection (MHLSP) webpage dedicated to preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, for a better access to information on the mechanism of resolving cases of family violence, the social services infrastructure for victims of domestic violence and aggressors, as well as the results of studies, researches in the field.

Currently, no functional national webpage exists in Republic of Moldova with all available information on EVAW. MHLSP has created a [website](#), but at this moment there is no consolidated content, to activate the website. The information and resources available are spread among various webpages of public institutions and CSOs, which creates an obstacle for the general public and professionals in the field to be well informed and to act efficiently in combating violence against women and domestic violence. The Department of Policies for Ensuring Equality between Women and Men (DEO) from the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection has requested support to further develop the content of the existing national webpage on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence. Taking into consideration the importance of an active webpage dedicated to preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, UN Women Moldova intends to support the MHLSP at the first stage of the process. UN Women is therefore seeking a national consultant to develop the content of the national webpage on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence.

2. SCOPE OF WORK, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED WORK

The major scope is to develop the content of the existing national webpage on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence.

For detailed information, please refer to Annex 1- Terms of Reference.

3. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

Education:

- University degree in communications, law, social, development studies, or an area relevant to the requirements for the TOR.

Experience:

- Minimum 2 years of proven work experience in one of the fields of communication, law, social, development, or other relevant area.
- Work experience with governmental institutions, especially with MHLSP - would be an asset.
- Good knowledge of the existing services, available resources and information in EVAW - would be an asset.
- Experience with development organizations, including donors and stakeholders is considered an asset.

Languages and other skills:

- Excellent command of Romanian and Russian. Working command of English is a strong asset.
- Technical knowledge of web design, desktop publishing and photo editing is considered as an asset.

4. DOCUMENTS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN SUBMITTING THE PROPOSALS

Interested candidates are invited to submit their online applications by **8 April 2019** with the following documents:

- Duly filled Personal History Form P11, including records on past experience in similar projects/ assignments and specific outputs obtained; P11 can be downloaded at <http://www.unwomen.org/about-us/employment>;
- Letter of Intent to include a brief overview about which of your previous experiences makes you the most suitable candidate for the advertised position, with reference to previous works of similar complexity conducted;
- Financial proposal – specifying a total lump sum amount for the task specified in Terms of References. The Financial proposal shall include a breakdown of this lump sum amount (daily rate). Please see ANNEX I and ANNEX II

Applications without financial proposal may be treated as incomplete and may not be considered for further assessment.

5. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

The financial proposal shall include a breakdown of the lump sum amount (daily rate and number of anticipated working days). Please see TOR Annex I: Price Proposal Guideline and Template and Annex II: Price Proposal Submission Form.

6. TRAVEL

No travel requirements are envisioned under this assignment.

7. EVALUATION

For detailed evaluation procedures please refer to Annex 1- Terms of Reference

ANNEX

ANNEX 1 – TERMS OF REFERENCES (TOR)

ANNEX 2 – CONDITIONS OF SERVICE - CONSULTANT