

Where childhood thrives, war does not.

Term of Reference

Call for Expression of Interest – Making Waves: Gender-inclusive radio-based education in DRC

Consultancy Title	Short Term Consultant Education Evaluation
Reports to	Country Director, Democratic Republic of the Congo
Background	War Child’s mission is to help children in war-affected communities reclaim their childhood through access to education, opportunity and justice. War Child takes an active role in raising public awareness around the impact of war on communities and the shared responsibility to act. War Child Canada has over 20 years of experience working in communities in conflict and post-conflict zones. All work is implemented in direct partnership with local communities, local NGOs and other stakeholders using a child-centered approach. War Child Canada currently works in Uganda, Sudan, South Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Afghanistan. War Child Canada is a registered Canadian charity based in Toronto.
Consultancy summary	<p>Making Waves: Gender-Responsive Radio Education in the DRC is an innovative Interactive Radio Instruction (IRI) initiative that will reach over 28,000 beneficiaries targeting out-of-school children and youth between the ages of 12 and 16 over the next two years. The project builds upon War Child Canada’s 20 years of education experience in both formal and non-formal settings with nearly fifteen years of successful programming in the DRC, including a four-year pilot of IRI.</p> <p>The consultant(s) will be tasked with conducting research on “<u>Efficacy of accelerated learning delivered through Interactive Radio Instruction in comparison to traditional accelerated learning program</u>”. Sub-questions will be further expanded and refined in cooperation with the successful consultant(s).</p> <p>The locations of the research project will be located in Kinshasa and South Kivu (Bukavu and Uvira) in the DRC.</p> <p>The consultant(s) will be charged with the following tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defining specific research questions which will inform methodology and approach • Coordinating research logistics alongside War Child Canada staff • Conducting fieldwork in-country • Production of the report (English) • Presentation of findings to MINAS, War Child Canada, and other stakeholders in DRC • Other responsibilities as decided upon consultation with War Child Canada
Approach, Project Information, and Deliverables:	<p>The research methodology will be suggested by the consultant(s) and refined after discussions with War Child Canada. War Child Canada will support on the logistics of conducting research in each location as required but costs for transportation and accommodation, including flights should be included directly in the consultant(s) budget. War Child Canada is open to qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-method approaches.</p> <p>Project Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 10 temporary learning spaces established for the purposes of the project. 5 in Kinshasa, 3 in Uvira and 2 in Bukavu. • There are 2500 students currently enrolled in the Interactive Radio Instruction program in these locations. <p>Consultants should propose a level of effort in line with a budget ceiling of \$90,000 USD. Proposed budgets must be clearly itemized to show the breakdown of costs while providing a clear and compelling case for the total budget amount in relation to the proposed research.</p> <p>The final deliverables will include all rough notes and raw data including compiled qualitative data. A final report and presentation of the findings (in English) will be required.</p>



Experience, skills	Key requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience with research on education in emergencies interventions • Experience with Radio Education or Radio-based educational programs desirable • Experience of working in DRC highly preferred • Previous experience performing high quality mixed-method research • Capacity to evaluate activities in different locations within DRC • Fluency of English and French required; or in-country translator staff necessary
Travel	Travel within Democratic Republic of Congo required
Application process	<p>Interested applicants are invited to send an expression of interest electronically including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Curriculum vitae ▪ Accompanying cover letter outlining relevant experience and skills ▪ Technical and Financial proposal including proposed methodology and timeline ▪ Confirmation of availability ▪ Samples of previous work, if available <p>Email: jobs@warchild.ca</p> <p>Please ensure your application email has the subject heading of “Short Term Consultant – “DRC””</p> <p><u>Only those applicants selected for an interview will be notified.</u> We regret we are unable to entertain phone calls.</p> <p>War Child Canada is committed to providing a work environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. Final candidates will be vetted in accordance with War Child Canada’s Child Safeguarding Policy, including appropriate reference and security checks.</p> <p>For more information about War Child Canada, please visit www.warchild.ca.</p>
Deadline	April 30 th , 2020