



Consultancy to review HIV landscape and opportunities in South Eastern Europe and the Baltic States to support Elton John AIDS Foundation initiatives in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Terms of Reference

Scope of Consultancy

The Elton John AIDS Foundation is seeking a consultant to conduct a review of HIV-related systems, programming and opportunities in South Eastern Europe and the Baltic States to help maximise the impact of the Foundation's grant investments in the Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA) region. The consultant will support the Foundation, as one of the largest philanthropic donors for HIV-related programming in EECA, in its objective to help end the AIDS epidemic in the region.

The consultant will:

- Analyse the landscape of governmental and non-governmental systems and programming related to HIV prevention, treatment and care, and harm reduction activities for people who use drugs, sex workers and LGBT people on the regional level and in the following countries: *Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Romania, Serbia, and Slovenia.*
- Identify strategies and opportunities to achieve sustainable progress on HIV prevention and care, harm reduction and stigma outcomes for people who use drugs, sex workers and LGBT people in the South Eastern Europe and Baltic regions. Recommended strategies and opportunities for programming and advocacy should consider potential value-add of Elton John AIDS Foundation investment and feasibility.

The chosen consultant will be given a more detailed brief. This consultant will work remotely. The initial duration of this consultancy will be **March-May 2021**.

Deliverables

Detailed deliverables will be agreed with the chosen consultant. Deliverables will require summarising large amounts of information from literature reviews and interviews, and some qualitative and quantitative analysis of the fragmented data on the relevant countries. The consultant should be familiar with the relevant literature and potential interviewees.

Expected Knowledge, Skills and Experience

- Experience analysing HIV-related systems and programming for Key Populations in all or several of the relevant South Eastern Europe and Baltic countries;
- Experience in strategic development for public health or other development programming;
- Experience in quantitative and qualitative data analysis, synthesis and reporting;
- Excellent communication skills;
- Advanced written and spoken English and proficiency in relevant local languages;
- A university degree in a relevant field.



Selection Criteria & How To Apply

If you are interested in this opportunity, please send us your CV and a 1-3-page expression of interest detailing:

- Your relevant experience and track record of results;
- Why you are interested in this consultancy and what makes you a good fit;
- Your level of familiarity with HIV-related systems and programming on the regional level in South Eastern Europe and the Baltics and in each of the following countries: *Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Romania, Serbia, and Slovenia*. We understand that candidates may not be highly familiar with HIV-related systems and programming in all the aforementioned countries; preference will be given to candidates who have a degree of familiarity in multiple South Eastern Europe and Baltic contexts;
- Your relevant language skills;
- Your proposed approach to this consultancy in addition to anticipated number of days billed;
- Your daily consultancy rate (in USD) and availability (days/month) from March-May 2021 (please note the consultancy may be extendable beyond this end date);
- How you found out about this opportunity;
- Any potential conflict of interests.

Applications will be welcomed until March 11th 2021 at 16:00 GMT. The Foundation will be reviewing applications on a rolling basis, and select a reviewer based on cost, availability, and relevant expertise.

All qualified individuals are encouraged to apply. Qualified individuals living with HIV and/or from key population communities are especially encouraged to apply.

The selected individual will be expected to begin the consultancy from March-April 2021.

Please send all enquiries and applications to jake.rashbass@eltonjohnaidsfoundation.org with the subject line "SEE and Baltics consultancy"

About the Elton John AIDS Foundation

The Elton John AIDS Foundation was established in 1992 and is one of the leading independent AIDS organisations in the world. The Foundation's mission is simple: an end to the AIDS epidemic. With the mobilisation of our network of generous supporters and partners, we fund local experts across four continents to challenge discrimination, prevent infections and provide care as well as influencing countries to end AIDS.

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