

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST EOI NO./AMREF/20/04/2022/005 Lot 9

ROLE (PART TIME)	Technical Expert - Public Health Research
REPORTING TO	Group Programmes Director & Chairperson of Community of Practice
DURATION	Two years (Renewable)
DUTY STATION	Remote working with occasional travel

Background Information

Amref Health Africa was founded in 1957 and has since grown to become the largest African-based international health development organisation. Currently, Amref implements more than 120 programmes across 35 countries and directly reaching more than 12 million people annually. Headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, Amref Health Africa has offices in nine African countries namely – Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania, Uganda, South Africa, Senegal, South Sudan, and Zambia. Additionally, there are eleven advocacy and fundraising offices across Europe and North America.

With the bold vision of catalysing "Lasting health change in Africa", the organisation prioritises transformation aimed at bridging the gap between communities' needs and the rest of the health system. The organisation's mission is to increase sustainable health services through innovative solutions in training, quality service delivery, and health financing. To catalyse desired change, Amref deploys a series of process-based and cross cutting drivers namely advocacy and policy, research, innovation, youth, diversity and inclusion.

To deepen, expand, and accelerate its impact, Amref is seeking part time Technical Experts to work with its thematic technical teams (*organised as communities of practice*). Through this engagement, it is expected that Amref will achieve technical excellence, growth, and deeper impact across Africa.

1) Purpose and Objectives

Purpose: The Technical Expert will contribute towards deepening and expanding Amref's capacity to catalyse desired health impact across Africa generation of evidence to transform policies and practices in health and social development.

Objectives: The Technical Expert will provide support in one or more of the following areas, dependent on need;

- a) **Technical excellence** through strategies such as documentation of Amref's research priorities, training and mentoring of staff in research
- b) **Business development** through solicited and non-solicited proposals, and working with teams to cultivate new networks.

c) **Influence or thought leadership** through methods such as partner engagement, research publications, policy briefs and technical briefs, geared towards generating new knowledge to inform public policy

2) Scope of Work and Deliverables

The Technical Expert will provide support covering the following scope;

- Development of Amref staff capacity to undertake cutting edge / high impact research in new and current areas of programming
- Resource mobilization for public health research through research proposal development in new and current areas of programming
- Advice on sustainable funding model for research within Amref
- Research partnership engagements with like-minded research institutions in new and current areas of programming
- Development and dissemination of research products through various channels such as publications, policy briefs and press briefings

3) Approach

The Technical Expert will on a part-time basis:

- Participate in the meetings of the Research Community of Practice, currently happening every two weeks, in order to understand Amref and facilitate mutual learning and skills transfer
- Whenever the need for paid work arises (e.g. proposal development, intensive strategy or technical approach development, or detailed technical capacity building event for staff), Amref and the Technical Expert may, on mutual basis, negotiate and agree on a scope of work for a number of consultancy days.
- Amref and the Technical Expert will undertake regular performance reviews

4) The Person

- Recognised expert with ability to engage effectively with local and international research partners, with understanding of research environment in Africa
- **Practical experience in implementation research** methodologies/contemporary methodologies such as the application of the latest econometric methodologies in impact evaluation
- **Demonstrable ability** in research proposal development, dissemination of research products through publication in peer reviewed journals, policy briefs, press briefings, blogs
- Excellent understanding of the intersectionality between public health and other development sectors such as climate change, rapid urbanization, human wildlife interaction
- PhD in Epidemiology, Development Economics/Studies, Biostatistics, Public health or related disciplines

5) Duration

• The Technical Expert shall be pre-qualified for a period of two years, renewable on satisfactory performance and mutual agreement.

6) Expression of Interest Specifications

Interested persons shall attach in their application a technical and financial expression of interest with the following components;

TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA:

Evaluation	Requirements	Score Criteria	Actual Score
Criteria			
Scope of service	Refer to the Expert's ability to: - develop and disseminate research products through various channels such as publications, policy briefs and press briefings - resource mobilization for public health research through research proposal development	30 marks	
Capacity of Technical Expert	Refers to the competencies and experience of individuals who is expected to be assigned to the Delivery of services covered in the contract. Refers to competencies in: - PhD in Epidemiology, Development Economics/Studies, Biostatistics, Public health or related disciplines. Attach copies (5 marks). - demonstrable ability and practical experience in implementation research methodologies/contemporary methodologies such as the application of the latest econometric methodologies in impact evaluation (3 marks) - Motivation Letter and/or Video – 1 mark - Curriculum Vitae – 1 mark	10 marks	
Past experience	Refers to the Expert's ability to demonstrate relevant experience working with other Multinationals/ INGOs or corporate & experience working across health, policy and advocacy sectors and/or with a health system strengthening (30 marks). Give proof of past related works & experiences - contract/Certificate of completion/PO (If an Expert fails to show proof h/she will score a 0). Sub total	30 Marks	
Interview	Oral interview	30 marks	
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Only Experts who will score a minimum of **50 out of 70 marks** in the technical evaluation shall qualify for the **interview stage** which forms part of the technical evaluation. **A maximum of top three candidates will be invited for interviews per LOT.** Only Experts who qualify the interview stage shall proceed to financial evaluation.

Proficiency in both English and French languages will be an added advantage.

7) Submission of applications

Bid documents for the above requirements must be submitted to <u>EOI@Amref.org</u> so as to be received **on or** before Monday 9th May 2022 at 12 noon (EAT). Late tenders will be rejected. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Interested Experts can join the opening of the bids through zoom link:

https://amref.zoom.us/j/81804068992?pwd=aGlQaGxON0JRYXFaY25vU0VBVnk2dz09

Meeting ID: 818 0406 8992

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8) Financial Requirements

Note: In case of discrepancy between the unit price and total, the unit price shall prevail.

	In Figures: In Words:	
Expert's Name and Address		Date: Signature:

- Experts will be subject to 5 % Withholding tax for Kenya Nationals and 20% for non-Kenyans.
- Amref will negotiate with successful Expert on the daily applicable rate

9) Evaluation of Expressions of Interest

- Amref Health Africa will evaluate the expressions of interest based on technical and culture fit and value for money
- Amref Health Africa reserves the right to accept or reject any expression of interest without giving reasons and is not bound to accept the lowest or the highest bid