

REFERENCE: RESTORATIVE APPROACH TO JUVENILE JUSTICE: SOCIO -EDUCATIVE MODEL OF REINTEGRATION AND ALTERNATIVE MEASURES TO DETENTION

CONTRACTING AUTHORITY: Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS - Cairo)

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR <u>A SERVICE PROVIDER TO DELIVER REINTEGRATION ACTIVITIES BENEFITING</u> <u>CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW</u> <u>AS PER EU PRACTICAL GUIDE</u>

ARTICLE 1 – DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

- 1.1. The project aims at contributing to enhance the living conditions of children and adolescents in conflict with the law through the application of the UN Child Rights Convention and the Egyptian Child Law. The action focuses on promoting the use of alternative measures to detention, diversion and restorative justice and the social/education reintegration programs for children who are held in care institutions.
- 1.2. The initiative foresees three components, which involves all the national authorities of the Juvenile Justice System, in particular the Egyptian Ministry of Social Solidarity and the Public Prosecution Office.
- 1.3. The two first components are implemented by UNICEF. The first one focuses on the design and implementation of a socio-educational model, with restorative approach, in key juvenile detention centers. The activities target both the children detained in the above mentioned centers and their staff. This component also foresees a strong partnership with the probation offices in order to implement social reintegration programs (post detention) in the targeted detention centers. The second component supports diversion measures with and without restorative approach, develop and disseminate secondary legislation on the implementation of restorative justice and spread awareness on alternative measures to deprivation of liberty by targeting probation offices, social experts and operators of detention centers.
- 1.4. The third component is implemented directly by AICS. It aims at consolidating the operational capacity and the inter-institutional coordination of the juvenile justice system. This is achieved through the establishment of a Juvenile Justice Coordination Unit within the MoSS, in charge of the detention centers and the probation offices, and one inter-institutional coordination mechanism, which will work to improve the coordination among the different key actors, both at policy and operative level. Furthermore, through this component the initiative aims at strengthening the knowledge and skills of the child justice system's operators and to provide reintegration activities to children in conflict with the law through a service provider that has a child protection expertise.

ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSES

The Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) in Cairo, through a service provider, intends to support a set of reintegration activities for children in conflict with the law, within its ongoing project that aims at contributing to a socio-educational model of reintegration and alternative measures to detention.



ARTICLE 3 – SERVICES

The service provider is bound by a declaration of impartiality and confidentiality to be signed before starting the contract. If an applicant believes there might be a situation of conflict of interests in relation to one or more applicants, the applicant must inform the contracting authority immediately. In addition, strict confidentiality is required from the expert/s involved in the implementation of this contract, notably on the management of individual cases.

- 3.1 The service provider shall plan, organize and deliver a qualitative set of holistic reintegration activities adequate to the needs of the targeted beneficiaries. The activity/ies should be inspired by the CRC core principles of non-discrimination, best interest of the child, participation and survival and development (art. 2, 3, 6, 12).
- 3.2 The service provider shall base its activities on either a desk review or a market analysis or any other relevant evidence based document.
- 3.3 The service provider shall have the required formal authorization to work in Social Care Institutions in Cairo and/or Alexandria.
- 3.4 The service provider shall work with children in conflict with the law to deliver vocational training and/or educational one.
- 3.5 The service provider shall use in its work a monitoring tool, a risk assessment and management tool, a child safeguarding policy, a human rights based approach and make sure that relevant international child's rights principles and standards are upheld, national rules and regulations are respected.
- 3.6 The service provider shall provide feedback in the form of a mid-term report and a final report on the activities and lessons learned.

ARTICLE 4 – LOGISTICS AND TIMING

4.1 Location

In one or more of the Social Care Institutions targeted by the project in Cairo and Alexandria, and notably: El Marg, Dar el Tarbeyah in Giza and Dar el Tarbeyah in Alexandria, Ain Shams for boys, Ain Shams for girls, Bani Suef for Boys, Elbaktoush for boys and Elbaktoush for girls or other Social Care Institutions not already included in the project activities.

Activities could also take place in the communities where the children in conflict with the law are due to return to after their time in Social Care Institutions.

4.2 Tentative start date and period of assignment

August/September 2022 until June 2023.

ARTICLE 5 – ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. The service provider engaged by the tender may be of any nationality.
- 5.2. Applicants will be excluded from participation in procurement procedures if:

a) they are bankrupt or being wound up, are having their affairs administered by the courts, have entered into an arrangement with creditors, have suspended business activities, are the subject of proceedings concerning those matters, or are in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations;

b) they, or persons having powers of representation, decision making or control over them, have been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct by a judgment of a competent authority of a Member State which has the force of res judicata; (i.e. against which no appeal is possible);



c) they have been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means which the Contracting Authority can justify, including by decisions of the European Investment Bank and international organisations;

d) they are not in compliance with their obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions or the payment of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which they are established or with those of the country of the Contracting Authority or those of the country where the contract is to be performed;

e) they, or persons having powers of representation, decision making or control over them, have been the subject of a judgment which has the force of res judicata for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organisation, money laundering or any other illegal activity, where such an illegal activity is detrimental to the EU's financial interests;

f) they are currently subject to an administrative penalty referred to in Article 103(1) of the Financial Regulation (for budget-funded programmes)/Article 99 of the Financial Regulation (for 10th EDF-funded programmes).

Applicants shall be authorized to carry out the requested services by the competent Egyptian Authorities. Related valid authorization shall be proved by relevant supporting document. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to reject expression of interests not supported by the required documents.

ARTICLE 6 – QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

The service provider shall describe at least 3 previous interventions related to this Expression of Interest carried out over the past 3 years in the field of child protection and/or reintegration services. Qualifications will be checked against the duly filled ANNEX B.

ARTICLE 7 – MODALITIES FOR PRESENTATION

7.1. The service providers shall express their interests by submitting the following documents (no additional documents are requested at this stage):

- a) Legal binding Statement (ANNEX A).
- b) Dated and signed Expression of Interest (ANNEX B).

c) Scanned copy of a valid identification document of the legal authorized signatory for the service provider.

- d) The service provider profile in English.
- e) Valid work authorization under the national laws.

7.2. Documents may be submitted in PDF format not editable:

a) by e-mail at the following email address: <u>segreteria.ilcairo@aics.gov.it.</u>

The subject of the e-mail must bear the following reference: "Call for Expression of Interest for a service provider to deliver reintegration activities benefiting children in conflict with the law".

 b) or in a sealed envelope by hand-delivery or courier at the following address: Italian Agency for Development Cooperation – AICS, 1081 Corniche el Nil, Belmont Building - Garden City, 4th, Floor.

The outer cover note must bear the following reference: "Call for Expression of Interest for a service provider to deliver reintegration activities benefiting children in conflict with the law".

7.3. The deadline for the submission is 26/06/2022 (4:00 pm Cairo time) as evidenced by the date and time of the reception of the envelope and/or of the e-mail as recorded in the system of the recipient.



It is encouraged to express the interest well before the deadline date, since heavy internet traffic or connection problems could lead to difficulties in submission. The Contracting Authority cannot be held responsible for any delay due to such difficulties.

ARTICLE 8 – RULES FOR THE REGISTRATION IN THE LIST

- 8.1. The Contracting Authority will first evaluate the following:
 - a) Compliance with the submission deadline. If the deadline has not been met, the Expression of Interest will automatically be rejected.
 - b) Eligibility as per Article 5.
 - c) Qualification requirements as per Article 6.
- 8.1. Eligible applicants, meeting all qualification requirements, will then be inserted in the list in an alphabetic order. The list does not represent any classification and the related insertion does not imply any rights to be committed the contracting authority to implement the contract.

ARTICLE 9 - SELECTION PROCEDURE

- 9.1. Eligible applicants, meeting the relevant qualification requirements, will be invited to submit their best offer as per EU PRAG (simplified tender procedure) along with an Integrity Agreement and the required statements as per EU PRAG.
- 9.2. Successful applicants will be requested to provide the documents required for the registration as AICS economic operator (see <u>https://ilcairo.aics.gov.it/amministrazione-trasparente-registro-operatori-economici-il-cairo/</u>).

ARTICLE 10 – PERSONAL DATA

If processing your reply to the Expression of Interest involves the recording and processing of personal data (such as names, contact details and CVs), they will be processed¹ solely for the purposes of the management and monitoring of the tender and of the contract by the data controller without prejudice to possible transmission to the bodies in charge of monitoring or inspection tasks in application of EU law. Details concerning processing of your personal data are available on the privacy statement at: https://wikis.ec.europa.eu/display/ExactExternalWiki/2.+Basic+rules²

ARTICLE 11 - RESPONSIBLE OF THE PROCEDURE

- 11.1. The Responsible of the Procedure is **Miss. Anna Paola Favero**.
- 11.2. For any further information, please contact the AICS-Cairo office at the following contact email: segreteria.ilcairo@aics.gov.it .

¹ Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC ('Regulation 2018/1725'), Official Journal L 205 of 21.11.2018, p. 39.

² This link will lead you to the 'privacy statement' published as annex A13 to the practical guide general annexes.