

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST & REQUEST OF QUOTATION

Comparative juridical analysis of Palestinian legislation on the issue of disability

1. Procedure

Competitive procedure. On the basis of the applications received, the proposals of the eligible candidates will be assessed on the basis of predefined criteria.

2. Programme title

STRENGTHENING THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (PADIS) - AID n. 11733

3. Financing

Budget line

4. Contracting Authority

Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development (AICS) – Jerusalem Office

5. Nature of contract

Global price

6. Contract description and Objective of the service

Service Contract for the provision of a comparative juridical analysis on the issue of disability on Palestinian legislation.

The analysis should be focused on the implementation of the disability-related laws, in order to provide an integrated assessment of laws and policies on the subject of disability, supplying practical support to the law-making level and for citizens participation in the legislative process on the matter. Furthermore the study will contribute to the fruitful enhancement of the rights of people with disability in Palestine and it will become a reference instrument for the researchers involved in this field.

In particular, the analysis should identify gaps, deficiency and conflicts between the local legislation and international laws, taking into consideration the optimal laws and best practices implemented in the different countries. Among the current set of laws and regulations on the issue of disability and related topics, in which an urgent harmonization process is needed, the study must also specify how the relevant legislation should be modified accordingly. The study should report the expected results in which this process could lead to and all the necessary steps to be adopted in order to reach the expected results, including the related strategy. The study should refer also to the International Conventions on the rights of the people with disabilities such as the Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

Finally, the study should also analyze the level of access to their rights by people with disability and it should suggest solutions for enhancing the level of access, identifying also best practices and best promising practices related to these issues.

The general objective of the analysis is to increase the planning and monitoring capacity on disability rights by central and district institutions; and to strengthen the collaboration network capacity to positively adapt the legislation on persons with disabilities.

The specific objective of the analysis is to provide practical support to the legislating authorities on the rights of the people with disability, identifying also the best practices related to this topic.

The main findings of the study will be used as a milestone for implementing a harmonization process related to the current set of laws and regulation on the issue of disability in Palestine.

7. Tender criteria

The tenderer will:

- *Be an official Palestinian non-profit organization*
- *Have at least 3 years of experience in developing studies, publication and report related to the human rights and disability sector*
- *Have at least 3 years of experience in providing legal counselling and consultancy services related to juridical issues in the West Bank and Gaza Strip*
- *Have published reports and/or studies related to the situation of human rights and on disability issues in Palestine*

8. Indicative budget

Up to 8,000.00 euro (Eight thousand/00 euro)

9. Language

The study must be in Arabic and English.

10. Products and timeframe

Derivable	Time
<i>Detailed working plan</i>	<i>1 months after the signature of the contract</i>
<i>1st Draft of the study</i>	<i>3 months after the signature of the contract</i>
<i>Final draft of the study</i>	<i>4 months after the signature of the contract</i>
<i>SMART indicators used to assess the level of access to their rights by people with disability (as part of the final study)</i>	<i>4 months after the signature of the contract</i>
<i>Identification of specific topics and steps to be adopted in to put into practice a harmonization process among the current set of laws and regulation on the issue of disability (as part of the final study)</i>	<i>4 months after the signature of the contract</i>

11. Locations

The study should cover the legislation and procedures applied in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

12. How to apply

11.1 Documents to be supplied by the applicants:

- Annex 1 - Letter of Expression of interest
- Annex 2 - Submission form
- CVs of key staff

11.2 Deadline for receipt of applications and relevant criteria

The **deadline** for the submissions of applications is **16th November 2019** at 14.00 p.m. A copy of a detailed price offer in EURO, duly filled and signed, shall be sent by mail to AICS – Italian Agency for Development Cooperation – Jerusalem Office, to the following contacts:

E-mail: gerusalemme@aics.gov.it

Applications must be submitted in English exclusively to the Contracting Authority.

12 Legal basis

Regulation (EU) N°236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action

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