



## **MONITORING AND INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT FOR CSOs**

**CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR CONSULTANTS**

**June 2018**

## **CONTEXT**

In Cameroon, the 1990 law governing associations and supplemented in 1999 by a law on NGOs favored the rise in strength of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), which today play an important role in social life, economic and political. Some points make it possible to characterize their career paths: involvement in sectoral policies, a willingness to exercise public policy monitoring functions and to act in the promotion of human rights, for the fight against corruption, for the protection of the environment, the transparency of public action or the exploitation of natural resources, etc. We can also note, the involvement of organizations representing the private sector as employers' organizations that also contributes to the improvement of the business climate. Thus, recognition of the role and importance of civil society organizations (CSOs) in the national development process, political, economic and social governance and the assistance of the people, certainly does justice to their animation work. Of public life but also, marks the level of expectations and trust of the partners (Government, technical and financial partners, populations) vis-à-vis these actors, particularly as reliable and representative interlocutors.

However, despite these efforts, there are several institutional, organizational and dysfunctional constraints within CSOs that limit the impact of CSOs in the implementation and monitoring of public policies. In addition, CSOs that are supposed to play the counterweight role do not always have sufficient institutional capacity to build legitimacy, representativeness, and credibility with government.

Faced with these difficulties, NDH-Cameroon, with the support of the European Union, has relaunched the Program of Improvement of Access to Criminal Justice (PAAJP) whose overall objective is to contribute to the strengthening of the State of in Cameroon, by improving access to criminal justice. In this context, it intends to support identified and selected CSOs so that they have sufficient technical and institutional capacity to establish their legitimacy, representativeness and credibility vis-à-vis public authorities and other partners on the one hand and secondly on the other. to play an active role in criminal justice. To do this work, consultants will undertake an institutional assessment in each of the selected CSOs. This institutional assessment / diagnosis will lead to an institutional development plan that meets the specific needs of the beneficiaries.

Thus, NDH-Cameroon launches a call for expressions of interest for the recruitment of 02 consultants. Their main mission will be to identify the institutional weaknesses of the selected CSOs; to identify the individual needs of each of them with a view to providing them with specific support for institutional development and to strengthen their legitimacy and interaction with the authorities.

## **2 . Objectives of evaluation and monitoring**

Evaluate each selected CSO; identify institutional deficiencies and possibly follow the specifications for each of them.

## **3. Eligibility Criteria**

- Have at least 05 years of experience in the field of monitoring public policies and governance
- Have already participated in an institutional diagnosis;
- Have a perfect mastery of the functioning of CSOs;
- Ability to deliver quality results and reports in a timely manner;
- To be dynamic, motivated and concerned about respect for Justice;

## **4. Submission of applications**

- A CV
- A cover letter
- A letter of recommendation

## **5. Period and duration**

- The proposed duration of the evaluation and monitoring activity is estimated at 6 months.
- Interested candidates are requested to send their applications by 06 August 2018

**6. Candidates interested in this offer are requested to register**

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- **NB:** Only the consultants / Firms selected will be contacted to set the practical arrangements.