<u>Call for gender and social inclusion</u> <u>experts in Brazil</u>



Summary of the requirement

The Department for International Development (DFID), represented by the Skills for Prosperity Programme Team in Brazil is requesting the support of a gender and social development expert (individual consultants or organisations) to maximise the programme's positive impact on low-income communities, girls and women and other disadvantaged groups in Brazil.

In line with the Prosperity Fund's objectives on poverty reduction, social and economic development and gender equality, this tender aims to seek adequate expertise and experience to improve and expand the programme's activities in Brazil, following the initial recommendations provided by the Multi-Country Scoping and Recommendation Report on Gender and Social Inclusion in Higher Education and Technical and Vocational Education.

The selected person/organisation will follow and build on the report's recommendations and the programme delivery partners' proposal by reviewing the recommendations and activities to ensure they take full account of the Brazilian context, providing further recommendations to maximise the programme's impact, offering support and advice to the programme lead, and assuring that the delivery partners are complying with the recommendations and targets. The expert/organisation will also have the ability to further develop and advance the gender and social inclusion focus of the programme based on their experience and on international evidence and best practice.

Additional information

For more information, please access the full terms of reference:

Applications

The proposals must be in English and include:

- full CV
- motivation letter
- recent example of the candidate's analytical work (report or study)
- a methodology for completing work, with more information on how the expert will be proceeding to work on the indicated deliverables
- commercial bid, including details on fees, travel, subsistence and all included costs and expenses

The parties interested to apply for this work should submit their proposals to anaclara.barbosa@fco.gov.uk by close of business on 27 October 2019.

Applications received after this deadline will not be considered in the selection process.

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- 1. 15 October 2019 We have updated the terms of reference and also extended the application deadline.
- 2. 10 September 2019 First published.

UN General Assembly 74th session: UK national statement in first committee general debate

Aidan Liddle, UK Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, makes national statement about UK policy on disarmament, arms control and non-proliferation and future objectives.

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The United Kingdom aligns itself with the statement delivered by the European Union. Allow me to make some further remarks in a national capacity.

Mr Chair

2019 has been an important year for disarmament, arms control and non-proliferation. It marks the centenary of multilateral disarmament diplomacy under the auspices first of the League of Nations, and latterly of the United Nations. It is also 40 years since two key elements of the multilateral disarmament machinery — the Conference on Disarmament and the UN Disarmament Commission — began their work, following the landmark decision of the First Special Session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament in 1978.

We also celebrate 20 years since the entry into force of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention and look forward to an important Review Conference in Oslo next month. Next year, as we all know, we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the entry into force of the cornerstone of the nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation regime, the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

The UK has played a central, constructive and active role in this multilateral architecture from the very beginning, and continues to do so today.

This year, in particular, as President of the Conference on Disarmament, the UK tabled a draft Decision that would have taken forward the important work of the 2018 Subsidiary Bodies and helped move the Conference on Disarmament closer to developing negotiating mandates on its four core agenda items. The Decision had strong support from across the membership but was blocked by a small number of States. We will continue our efforts to get the Conference on Disarmament back to work in 2020.

We will continue to work with any and all other interested States to find ways of strengthening the multilateral disarmament, arms control and non-proliferation machinery we have so painstakingly built together over the last century, so that it remains an essential part of the international rules based system for the next generations.

As an important element of this, consistent with its role as a champion of the Women, Peace and Security agenda, the UK also remains committed to promoting the meaningful representation of women in disarmament and arms control processes, at all stages in the process, and particularly in leadership roles.

Mr Chair

This architecture can only really fulfil its function, though, if it is fully, effectively, transparently and verifiably implemented. Full compliance with all obligations is essential to build trust and confidence and to allow further meaningful steps to be taken. Unfortunately, that central tenet of multilateral diplomacy is under attack.

Russia's responsibility for the collapse of the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces treaty demonstrates its disregard for arms control agreements and its increasingly dangerous and destabilising activity around Europe. The missiles Russia has secretly developed and deployed in violation of the INF are mobile and hard to detect. They can reach European cities with little or no warning and thus reduce the threshold for nuclear use. Russia's repeated denials and attempts to distort the facts through a concerted disinformation campaign on this and other issues are a threat to diplomacy and one we must stand firmly against.

The Syrian regime has used chemical weapons in direct contravention of the Chemical Weapons Convention, representing a clear threat to global peace and security. We cannot leave these direct assaults on international norms unchallenged. This is why the UK supports the work of the Investigation and Identification Team established by the OPCW to identify the perpetrators who use chemical weapons. This is an important step to ensure accountability, deter future attacks and thereby prevent further weakening of the norm. It builds upon the Decision reached in The Hague in June last year and demonstrates the international community's commitment to reinforcing chemical weapons controls.

The DPRK have illegally developed a nuclear weapons programme and proliferated arms globally. The UK welcomes discussions between the US and the DPRK but maintains the view that sanctions need to remain strictly implemented until concrete steps toward complete, verifiable and irreversible denuclearisation are taken. We are willing to lend our expertise to aid in the denuclearisation process.

We continue to support the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action and call on Iran to fully implement its commitments. We are deeply concerned by Iran's reductions in compliance and urge them to recommit to the deal. The system of IAEA inspections which underpins Iran's commitment to enhanced verification and inspections is one of the most extensive and robust in the history of international nuclear accords, and Iran must continue to facilitate all Agency access and information requests. We fully support the Agency's crucial independent, technical monitoring and reporting activities.

We also register our concern about Iran's wider missile programmes, which pose a threat to European security and are destabilising for the region, and call upon Iran to adhere to the restrictions on missile development and proliferation in UNSCRs 2231 and 2216.

Mr Chair

Let me say a few words now about the UK's main priorities for our work in the coming weeks.

First, we will continue to support the strengthening of the nuclear non-proliferation framework and to prepare for a successful outcome of the NPT Review Conference in 2020. The UK reiterates its strong support for the NPT and the step-by-step approach towards nuclear disarmament. We will look to remind the international community that the NPT continues to be an effective and vital part of the international security architecture; and to highlight the UK's own strong track record promoting disarmament, non-proliferation, and the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, as a responsible Nuclear Weapon State.

Second, we will also play an active part in discussions on Outer Space. Across space systems, it is necessary to consider how communications, intent and behaviour can support a safe space environment. We encourage nations to work with us to develop a new concept that addresses the challenges in space as it is today, rather than the outdated notions of thirty years ago.

The UK will make more detailed statements on these and the other important issues on the Committee's agenda during the thematic debate.

Mr Chair, the erosion of norms against the use of weapons of mass destruction, and the proliferation of WMD and their means of delivery, threatens every member of the international community. Each and every one of us needs to step up to address the threat. It will take collective engagement to uphold the counter-proliferation and disarmament architecture. We must persevere in the face of today's challenges to safeguard global peace and security.

FC Porto v Rangers FC travel advice

Advice for fans travelling to Portugal for Rangers FC's match with FC Porto on 24 October

FC Porto v Rangers FC travel advice



Date: Thursday 24 October 2019

Venue: Estádio do Dragão, Porto

Kick off time: 5:55pm (local time)

As well as this advice, check out our travel advice for Portugal

Passports and visas

- you don't need a visa to travel to Portugal, but your passport should be valid for the period of your stay
- you must show some form of identification if asked by the police or judicial authorities; in most cases, it should be sufficient to carry a photocopy of the data page of your passport, but you can be asked to produce the original document
- if you lose your passport, you can <u>apply for an emergency travel</u> <u>document online</u>; you will have to collect the document from the Consulate in Lisbon or Portimão; travel from Porto to Lisbon takes at least 4 hours and to Portimão at least 8, so remember to factor this in to your travel arrangements
- remember to bring your <u>European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)</u> but also take out travel insurance even if you're only going for a short period, it could save you a lot of money if you get into difficulties

Getting to the stadium

- the nearest airport to the stadium is Porto
- if you're arriving at another airport, there are <u>trains</u> and <u>buses</u> to Porto; the main railway station in Porto is Campanhã and the bus station is at Praça de Batalha; domestic flights to Porto from Lisbon and Faro are operated by TAP Air Portugal and Ryanair
- you can reach the city centre from the airport by underground (Metro); to get into the city, take the purple line to Trindade, then the yellow line to Aliados or São Bento; or stay on the purple line to Bolhão or Campo 24 de Agosto
- the stadium has a Metro station (Estádio do Dragão); four lines (green, red, purple and blue) terminate at the stadium; you can buy ticket cards from vending machines in the entrance hall; add as many fares to the card as you think you may need, or just add as you go along; swipe the card before getting on the train to validate your journey; buy one card per person; see Porto Metro's website for more information
- for information generally on Porto's public transport system, see Porto's tourism website
- taxis are beige-coloured or black and green; they're available at the airport and at taxi ranks around the city; you can flag down taxis in Portugal
- if you're driving, you should carry your passport, valid UK driving licence, car logbook or rental contract and insurance; the police can fine you on-the-spot if you don't have these documents
- there are tolls on Portuguese motorways; you can get a fine if you don't pay toll fees so remember to carry enough cash with you; don't use the green lanes (VV Via Verde) at toll pay points; these are for motorists who subscribe to the automatic pay system; some roads in the north of Portugal and in the Algarve have electronic tolls (SCUTs); check how to pay these before you travel

At the match

- Rangers fans will be seated in the upper tier at the north end of the East Stand of the stadium in Sector 47, 48, 49 and 50; (entry by Gates 19 and 20); and Sector 19 (entry by Gate 17)
- access to the stadium can be slow there will be ticket checks and searches carried out by stewards and/or police on entry to the stadium; to avoid last minute queues get to the stadium in good time
- no alcohol, sharp objects (including umbrellas), air horns or loudspeakers, fireworks or flares, bottles or cans, drums or video cameras in the stadium
- the authorities have the right to breathalyse on entry to the stadium and anyone they consider too drunk may be refused entry
- children under the age of 3 will not be admitted to the stadium
- visiting supporters may be kept behind

Tips

- as in any other city beware of pickpockets and bag snatchers at airports, railway stations, around the town centres and when using public transport; only carry what you need and leave spare cash and valuables in hotel safety deposit box or split it up and carry it in different places
- there's no time difference between the UK and Portugal

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Further information

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