Technical inputs to GLAAS 2024/2025 cycle and GLAAS strategic processes, communications and advocacy

Area of expertise: GLAAS 2024/2025 survey, country implementation, data and reporting; and GLAAS strategic processes, communications and advocacy

Purpose of TORs: To provide technical inputs to the update of the GLAAS country survey and related documents and trainings and country implementation of the GLAAS cycle; strategic processes related to WASH and climate resilience and WASH and gender; GLAAS communications and advocacy and GLAAS documents, reports and presentations.

Background

The WASH sector has two main tools for monitoring investments and WASH systems, which are hosted by the WHO Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Health (WSH) unit:

- The Global Analysis and Assessment of Sanitation and Drinking-Water (GLAAS), which provides
 policy- and decision-makers with a comprehensive global analysis of investments and the
 enabling environment for WASH; and
- The development of WASH accounts to track financing to WASH at the national and subnational levels based on the TrackFin methodology.

WHO has continued to expand activities related to GLAAS and WASH accounts in response to increasing demand from countries and global partners. In the last GLAAS cycle over 120 countries participated and more are expected for the next GLAAS cycle to be launched in mid 2024. This requires intensive technical inputs for an updated GLAAS survey and related materials, country trainings/orientations, country implementation and advocacy. GLAAS also needs strategic technical inputs/expertise for three parallel strategic processes: WASH and climate resilience, WASH and gender and identifying core indicators for WASH systems strengthening. Finally, technical inputs and expertise are required for strategic communications/coordination with global and regional WASH technical partners and for ongoing development and advocacy for the GLAAS data portal.

Deliverables

Deliverable 1. Updated GLAAS country survey and training materials for GLAAS cycle 2024/2025

- 1.1: Provide technical inputs to the update and finalization of the GLAAS country survey (by 31 March 2024)
- 1.2 Develop an updated GLAAS feedback form and consent form for 2024 based on consultation with the GLAAS team
- 1.3: Develop then finalize an updated draft of the GLAAS country survey guidance document for 2024 and GLAAS training modules and contribute to guidance on the eGLAAS country survey
- 1.4: Participate in meetings with experts on document updates and consolidate feedback

Deliverable 2. Country training and technical inputs for the GLAAS 2024/2025 cycle

- 2.1: Facilitate GLAAS trainings for the 2024/2025 cycle across WHO regions in English and Russian
- 2.2: Undertake quality assurance reviews of completed GLAAS country surveys and data, and coordinate review of the GLAAS country highlight, for up to 30 countries, in Russian and English

Deliverable 3. Outlines, content and/or edits for GLAAS documents, reports and presentations

- 3.1: Provide an initial outline of the GLAAS 2025 report, and draft content/chapters as assigned
- 3.2: Review, consolidate and align inputs (content and edits) from multiple sources for the GLAAS report
- 3.3: Finalize the GLAAS report and layout process
- 3.4: Coordinate translation, validation and finalization of the GLAAS report in French and Spanish
- 3.5: Review and provide content, edits and/or comments on requested GLAAS documents including donor proposals and reports, WASH accounts materials, GLAAS presentations and materials

Deliverable 4. Strategic communications and coordination with partners/stakeholders/donors on GLAAS data, perspectives and the GLAAS strategy, WASH accounts, and strategic topics in WASH

- 4.1: Prepare and/or facilitate background information, sessions and presentations on GLAAS and WASH accounts results, progress and data use in regional and global WASH meetings as requested
- 4.2: Coordinate communications with key WASH stakeholders and partners, including on climate resilient WASH and on gender and WASH
- 4.3: Coordinate and liaise with partners, climate change colleagues and academics for the project on monitoring climate resilient WASH, and provide technical inputs to convening of the expert group
- 4.4: Contribute to coordination of partner inputs for the development of core indicators for WASH systems and to the related concept note
- 4.5: Provide technical contributions to donor reporting on GLAAS progress
- 4.6: Review and contribute to information updates on the WHO website related to GLAAS and WASH accounts, ensuring consistency with the data portal

Deliverable 5: Contributions to the ongoing development of the GLAAS data portal, coordination of inputs and content in French, Spanish and Russian

- 5.1: Participate in regular calls with data portal developers on new features and provide or coordinate inputs as requested
- 5.2: Coordinate translation into Spanish, French and Russian of all new data portal content.

Qualifications, experience, skills and languages

Educational Qualifications:

Essential: Minimum an advanced university degree in public policy, public health or related field

Experience:

Essential:

- Over ten years of relevant experience, including in-country and international experience
- Experience with research and advocacy related to WASH
- Experience in developing advocacy and communications materials
- Experience with developing training materials and leading or facilitating training workshops
- Experience working with WASH global partners and stakeholder

Desirable:

• Experience with the GLAAS country survey and GLAAS reporting

Skills/Knowledge:

Essential:

- Knowledge of the global monitoring landscape including national, regional and global WASH monitoring mechanisms and instruments
- Knowledge of WASH governance and policies, WASH financing and SDG6 monitoring
- Knowledge and experience with country-level research/data collection, survey design and results analysis
- Excellent writing and reporting skills
- Knowledge of different actors and WASH partners (governments, NGOs, donors, intergovernmental organizations) at global, regional and country levels
- Excellent/demonstrated organizational, team and interpersonal skills

Desirable:

- Knowledge of WASH and gender and climate resilient WASH
- Knowledge of GLAAS data and indicators
- Knowledge of the GLAAS data portal
- Knowledge of WASH accounts

Languages and level required (Basic/Intermediate/Expert):

Essential:

Expert knowledge of English

Desirable:

- Intermediate knowledge of Russian
- Intermediate knowledge of other UN language

Location

Off site: Home-based

Travel

The consultant is expected to travel to selected WASH meetings and trainings

Remuneration and level of effort

Remuneration: Payband level C (USD 500-625 per day)

Expected level of effort: 180-230 days per contract year (contract year for consultants is 11 months)