Expert technical and strategic inputs to improving WASH data in selected countries and to development of WASH accounts (English and French)

Area of expertise: WASH systems and data, WASH accounts and WASH financial flows; WASH accounts processes and results; WASH accounts capacity building and training (English and French)

Purpose of the TORs: To provide technical inputs to improve WASH data in selected francophone countries and to ensure high quality WASH accounts results/information on WASH financial flows.

Background

The WASH sector has two main tools for monitoring investments and the enabling environment, 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.

There are currently over 20 countries developing WASH accounts, requesting technical inputs to launch WASH accounts or to implement new cycles of WASH accounts. WHO (GLAAS) requires additional technical inputs to country development of WASH accounts in francophone and anglophone countries including training and capacity building. There is also an urgent need to continue capacity building and training of national consultants and focal points from implementing countries, and to expand resources and capacity for providing technical inputs on WASH accounts to countries.

Deliverables

Deliverable 1: Expert technical inputs to capacity building and training workshops and materials; evidence of improved WASH knowledge and skills/increased autonomy of WASH accounts cofacilitators, national consultants and focal points.

- 1.1: Provide training and capacity building for national WASH accounts teams in selected/assigned francophone and anglophone countries including through facilitation of the four workshops and two recommended meetings that are part of the WASH accounts.
- 1.2: Provide training and capacity building to WASH accounts facilitators, national consultants and focal points through training, co-facilitation and mentoring.
- 1.3: Provide expert technical inputs to WASH accounts materials including feedback based on reviews, development of requested content and feedback from user experience using the WASH accounts feedback form.

Deliverable 2: Expert technical inputs to development of WASH accounts and final WASH accounts products according to country plans and timelines

- 2.1: Closely monitor progress of country WASH account to resolve issues in a timely manner, providing required technical inputs including on the WAPT, and sharing guidance materials
- 2.2: In collaboration with the country WASH accounts focal point and national consultant, ensure that the Track Fin methodology is correctly applied, process deliverables are completed, key study decisions are confirmed and documented and standard outputs are delivered (ptstudies, WASH account highlights, results brief and other analyses and products determined by the country)
- 2.3: Provide technical inputs to the WASH accounts focal point and team to promote government agreement to include <u>WASH accounts results in the GLAAS data portal</u>
- 2.4: Promote the use of WASH accounts results for informing policy and programme decisions and the institutionalization of WASH accounts in country processes.
- 2.5: Provide quarterly updates/documentation of assigned country progress and information in WASH accounts country summary sheets

Deliverable 3: Technical feedback (documentation + inputs during follow up calls) on WASH accounts implementations plans (Technical review #1), WASH accounts reference studies (Technical review #2) and final WAPT studies (Technical review #3) for assigned countries

- 3.1: Complete, document and share detailed feedback on Technical review 1 of the WASH accounts implementation plan for assigned countries
- 3.2: Complete, document and share detailed feedback on Technical reviews 2 and 3 of WAPT studies for assigned countries.

Deliverable 4: Expert technical and strategic inputs to WASH accounts advocacy, communications, planning and partnerships

- 4.1: Provide strategic and technical Inputs to planning and strategic orientation of WASH accounts work through participation in regular GLAAS team meetings
- 4.2: Facilitate selected meetings and events and provide technical inputs to presentations to advocate and coordinate with WASH sector partners.

Deliverable 5: Expert technical guidance for strengthening WASH monitoring and reporting of WASH data for selected francophone countries

- 5.1: Participate in meetings and provide requested technical inputs for selected activities in country roadmaps for reinforcing national WASH monitoring.
- 5.2: Participate in meetings and provide requested technical inputs for selected activities in Madagascar for strengthening WASH monitoring
- 5.2: Review and provide comments and feedback on reports on selected WASH indicators and date from countries

Qualifications, experience, skills and languages

Educational Qualifications:

<u>Essential</u>: Minimum an advanced university degree in Environmental Sciences, Economics, International Development, Engineering or Public Health.

Experience:

Essential:

- Over fifteen years of relevant experience, including in-country experience
- Experience in tracking of finance in WASH sector.
- Experience with country-level research/data collection, survey design and results analysis.
- Experience with developing training materials and leading or facilitating training workshops including on virtual platforms.
- Experience working with WASH global, regional and national actors and partners (governments, NGOs, donors, intergovernmental organizations) at a senior/expert level.
- Experience with WASH accounts and the TrackFin methodology and the WASH accounts production tool (WAPT)
- Experience working across the three levels of WHO.

Skills/Knowledge:

Essential:

- Knowledge of the global monitoring landscape including national, regional and global WASH monitoring mechanisms and instruments.
- Knowledge of country systems and data sources for WASH finances.
- Established relationships with key sector partners at international, regional and/or country levels.
- Knowledge of the WASH accounts production tool (WAPT)
- Expert technical knowledge of the TrackFin methodology and the WASH accounts process
- Knowledge of and familiarity with the package of WASH accounts materials and tools
- Demonstrated ability to rapidly integrate technical knowledge.
- Writing and reporting skills.
- Excellent organizational, team and interpersonal skills.

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

Essential:

Expert knowledge of French Expert knowledge of English

Location

Off site: Home-based

Travel

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

Remuneration and level of effort

Remuneration: Payband level D (USD 626-720 per day)

Expected level of effort: 140-150 days per contract year (contract year for consultants is 11 months)