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The Commonwealth Local Government Forum (CLGF), in partnership with the Local Government Association of Zambia (LGAZ) and the Ministry of Local Government (MLG) are implementing the **Enhancing Local Government Capacity for Development** Project, in Zambia, with funding from the European Union (EU) and the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID). The project aims to enhance local governance for effective and efficient inclusive service delivery and development in 10 local authorities in Lusaka, Copperbelt and Northern provinces. Specifically, the project is targeting the following local authorities: Luanshya, Masaiti, and Ndola (Copperbelt Province); Chongwe, Kafue, Rufunsa (Lusaka Province) and Kasama, Luwingu, Mporokoso, and Mpulungu (Northern Province).

The project seeks to achieve the following outcomes: 1) Improved leadership, institutional and operational capacities of local authorities for enhanced local governance, 2) Enhanced capacity of local authorities to plan and implement inclusive service delivery and promote local economic development, and 3) Increased capacity for LGAZ to represent and support the local government sector in the decentralisation process in Zambia. The following are the project's main activities:

- Undertaking local authority capacity assessments,
- Building the capacity of local authorities at individual and organisational levels,
- Facilitating peer learning between Zambian and European local authorities,
- Supporting the development and implementation of Integrated Development Plans (IDPs) in five selected local authorities,
- Supporting the development of Local Economic Development strategies in 10 local authorities,
- Facilitating the implementation of the Health Sector Devolution plan in target local authorities,
- Developing and implementing LGAZ stakeholder engagement and advocacy strategy,
- Produce and disseminate knowledge products on the decentralisation process and local government, and
- Raising general public awareness on the decentralisation process and the role of local government in development.

The project seeks to contribute to the successful delivery of the Decentralisation Policy (2013) and the National Development Plan (2017)

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(GoZ) relaunched the Decentralisation Policy (DP) (2002) and Decentralisation Implementation Plan (DIP) in 2013. The DP's main objective is to promote effective and efficient service delivery and citizen participation in local governance and development. The decentralisation process expanded the mandates of local authorities and requires them to plan and deliver services and development in a participatory and inclusive manner. Furthermore, the successful implementation of the DP is critical in the achievement of the Zambia 7th National Development Plan because the DP is one of the key strategies the GoZ has adopted to create an enabling policy framework. Local authorities require capacities to effectively and efficiently deliver on their expanded mandates as well as strategically engage citizens (men and women) in local governance and development.

Qualified and interested consultants are invited to submit proposals to undertake a mid-term evaluation of the project. The Mid – Term Evaluation seeks to assess the projects' relevance, efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability. The evaluation is expected to: (a) inform CLGF and its partners, EU Delegation to Zambia and critical stakeholders of the progress made toward achieving the outputs, outcomes and impact of the project, (b) inform the remaining period of programming particularly, ensuring that the project achieves the planned outcomes, and (c) generate/ highlight lessons learnt and good practice for further dissemination and replication at the national and regional levels.

The evaluation is expected to be undertaken from the 25th of November 2019 to 31 January 2020. The full Terms of Reference (ToRs) can be found on the CLGF web page: <http://www.clgf.org.uk/about-us/opportunities/> Consultants interested in conducting this assignment are requested to submit their proposals by email with detailed technical and financial information. Applications are to be sent by email to Project.evaluation@clgf.org.uk not later than 16:30hrs, GMT+2 on 5 November 2019.