
Terms of Reference consultancy – HIV Advocacy with Geneva based agencies

1. Introduction

Aidsfonds

Aidsfonds is working towards a world without AIDS. We believe in empowered communities who can act in their own interests. The main aim of Aidsfonds is to ensure that everyone has access to prevention, treatment, care and support. Aidsfonds advocates for breaking down the barriers of discrimination, stigma, criminalization and (gender) inequality. Our funding for scientific research contributes to advances in the understanding of HIV. Aidsfonds takes the lead when there are fresh insights that could be the start of new and better options. We use scientific research and innovative methods to optimise the programmes that we implement. Currently, Aidsfonds is developing its next strategy for 2022-2025. Our current strategy can be found [here](#) or on www.aidsfonds.org

The Love Alliance

The [Love Alliance](#) is a 5 year (2021-2025) advocacy partnership between Aidsfonds, [AFE MENA](#), [GALZ](#), [GNP+](#), [ISDAO](#), [SANPUD](#), [Sisonke](#) and [UHAI-EASHRI](#), funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Together, we invest in addressing structural barriers to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), including gender inequality, decriminalisation, financing for key populations¹, and increased access to health and justice. The vision of the Love Alliance is to create a world where all people are able and empowered to make well informed, autonomous choices about their bodies without being criminalised, stigmatised or excluded, so they can enjoy the highest level of SRHR fulfilment and lowest vulnerability to STIs, including HIV, and other diseases. The Love Alliance aims to complete the advocacy loop where evidence from the community informs national, regional and global advocacy, and where global policy developments are fed back to community levels.

Scope of work

Geneva represents an important arena for Aidsfonds and Love Alliance global advocacy efforts. Together with a team of global advocates, based in Amsterdam, Brussels and Washington, DC the Geneva-based consultant will contribute to the implementation of Aidsfonds and Love Alliance advocacy priorities (improved access to health, improved access to funding, improved

¹ LGBTQI people, sex workers, people who use drugs (PWUD) and people living with HIV (PLHIV)

access to justice, rights and civic space, movement building), aiming to influence Geneva-based institutions, working with Geneva-based stakeholders and partners, and opening inroads to Geneva based decision making for community partners from Aidsfonds focus countries. We are looking for a free-lance colleague for the period June-December 2021, with strong experience on HIV, Global Health, Human Rights, Gender and advocacy. Aidsfonds is looking to employ a permanent Geneva-based colleague again as of 2022, or once COVID-related measures are lifted to enable face-to-face meetings, events and networking again.

2. Objective and deliverables

Objective

- I. Implement policy and advocacy activities on the following Aidsfonds/Love Alliance priorities as relevant to the Geneva based institutions and donor agencies:
 - HIV, Global Health and Financing
 - Access to Health/Universal Health Coverage
 - Gender Equality and other social enablers
 - Pediatric HIV and Youth
- II. Contribute to overall policy and advocacy team meetings, policy development and strategizing
- III. Develop and maintain a relevant network of UN, multilateral, member states and civil society stakeholders
- IV. Identify opportunities for Aidsfonds fundraising with Geneva based institutions

Deliverables

I. Aidsfonds/Love Alliance priorities

HIV, Global Health and Financing

- Lead advocacy around (pre)-UNAIDS Programme Coordination Board (PCB) meetings (June/July, December)
- Support ongoing advocacy around funding for and strategy development of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM) as well as on synergy between initiatives/projects.
 - Engage with GFATM Board constituencies, delegations and committees (including the strategy committee), especially in advance and as a follow-up of their meetings to target Aidsfonds advocacy

- Programmatic engagement with the GF Secretariat to synergize our initiatives/projects by engaging with relevant departments (CRG, health financing) and their fund portfolio managers

Access to Health/Universal Health Coverage (UHC)

- Contribute to the implementation of policy and advocacy activities around the access to health/UHC agenda
- Engage with the relevant departments at WHO to gather information on country-level implementation of UHC and share with country partners
- Identify opportunities for UHC and access to health policy dialogues with Geneva stakeholders

Addressing Social Enablers, including Gender Inequality

- 21 June – 15 July: Lead advocacy and support to community partners around the 47th session of the Human Rights Council (activities to be determined).
- 30 June – 2 July 2021: Prepare for and participate in advocacy activities with partners at the (virtual) Generation Equality Forum (GEF) Paris
- 13 Sept – 1 October: Lead advocacy and support to community partners around the 48th session of the Human Rights Council (activities to be determined).
- Advice on and develop HIV-advocacy approaches towards Beijing+25 processes and the UNWOMEN strategy post 2022

Pediatric HIV and Youth

- Support advocacy around community-led HIV pediatric treatment.
- Preparation for/Participation in different fora, coalitions, established working groups focused on mobilizing around pediatric HIV care and youth, such as [CCABA](#), [IATT](#), [Stay Free working group](#), and [Adolescent Treatment Coalition](#) (ATC).

II. Policy and advocacy team meetings, policy development and strategizing

- Participate in the weekly coordination meetings of the team
- Participate and contribute to the monthly strategic meetings

- Contribute to relevant Aidsfonds internal and external communication activities (for example around World AIDS Day, UHC Day, and relevant policy processes).

III. Develop and maintain Geneva based network

- Develop and maintain a relevant network amongst Geneva based missions, UN and other multilateral agencies, and other civil society organisations

IV. Identify Fundraising opportunities

- Through the Geneva based network, identify opportunities for fundraising for Aidsfonds programming and projects, for instance with UNITAID

3. Timeline and budget

The timeline for services will cover (a part of) June, July, August, September, October, November and December 2021, starting 21 June, 2021 and terminating latest December 24, 2021. Deliverables are to be performed and finalized in consultation with the Director for International Programs at Aidsfonds, Mirjam Krijnen

This assignment is based on a maximum of 26 weeks of 3 workdays/week at a rate of maximum EUR 700,-- per workday, holidays excluded. VAT is not applicable, please note "VAT Reversed" on invoice(s) as Aidsfonds will pay Dutch VAT.

4. Payment schedule

The consultancy will take place in the course of 2021. Deliverables are to be performed and finalized in accordance with Aidsfonds Strategy, Love Alliance Theory of Change and workplan, and Aidsfonds International Department priorities.

Payment of services shall be made upon submission of an invoice which will include a timesheet and a brief description of services delivered over the invoiced period.

The consultant can make use of a Geneva based office space at the offices of Medicus Mundi Switzerland.

5. Procedure

Please contact Mirjam Krijnen at mkrijnen@aidsfonds.nl for information to express your interest and resume before 16 June 2021 COB.