

TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESEARCH CONSULTANT / RESEARCH TEAM

Assignment	An evaluation of Judicial accountability to the public		
Location of the assignment	Tanzania, United Republic Of		
Period of Assignment	60 days		
Type of contract	Consultancy contract		
Open to	Scholars with a proven track record in consultancy and		
	research work		
Deadline for submitting	April 7, 2020		
applications			
Submit to	research@tls.or.tz		

ABOUT THE ASSIGNMENT

The call for applications invites experts to design a methodology and conduct research to evaluate judicial accountability to the public.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Tanganyika Law Society abbreviate as TLS is a statutory professional organization established by an Act of Parliament - the Tanganyika Law Society Ordinance of 1954. Currently TLS is governed by the Tanganyika Law Society Act, Cap 307 as amended.

One of the core components of TLS statutory mandate outlined in the TLS Act, Cap 307 is to assist the Government, Judiciary and Parliament in all matters affecting legislation, and the administration and practice of the law in Tanzania. Other TLS statutory mandate include; to facilitate the acquisition of legal knowledge by members of the legal profession and others, to protect and assist the public in Tanzania in all matters touching, ancillary or incidental to the law, and to represent, protect and assist members of the legal profession in Tanzania as regards to conditions of practice and otherwise.

For TLS to execute its mandate, research has become one of the most important components to its operations. TLS Monitoring and Evaluation Department is tasked with coordinating research activities with a guidance and oversight of Research and Publication Committee.

RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

The overall research objective is to evaluate judicial accountability to the public.

The specific objectives are;

- To assess public accessibility of court infrastructures;
- To assess availability of court information to citizens;
- To examine the effectiveness of public complaints/feedback handling mechanisms in the Judiciary;
- To assess expeditiousness of justice delivery; and,
- To assess the effectiveness of e-justice service.

DELIVERABLES

- 1. Inception reports
- 2. Validation report
- 3. Final report:

SELECTION CRITERIA

Criteria	Weight	Max	
	(%)	Point	
Technical proposal (70 %)			
Demonstrate proven skills in consultancy and research work		15	
Demonstrated experience in conducting research and consultancy in similar/related assignments		25	
Demonstrate evidence of involvement in a multi-stakeholders research activities		15	
Methodology and work plan		15	
Financial proposal (30%)			
Budget	10	10	
Evidence of previous research grant		20	

QUALIFICATION NEEDED

- The Principle Investigator should hold a PhD in law or any discipline of the social sciences
- Should demonstrate a proven track record in research, consultancy and publication
- o Assistant researchers should hold a bachelor degree or higher qualification
- o At least two (2) assistant researchers should be advocates of High Court of Tanzania
- Sound understanding of quantitative and qualitative research methodology is highly desirable
- Strong personal commitment to research work is required
- Should be a citizen of Tanzania
- Non-Tanzanians interested in the assignment should comply with the immigration laws

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

When submitting the technical proposal, interested applicants are requested to attach the following;

- A recent CV of the principle investigator indicating his/her academic record, relevant work experience, list of publications and at least 2 academic referees
- o Profile of other researchers explaining why they are more suitable for the work

To submit your expression of interest (EOI) please send the technical proposal, along with financial proposal to research@tls.or.tz. The deadline to submit expressions of interest is April 7, 2020.