



The Network for
Religious and
Traditional
Peacemakers



Tender announcement – Needs assessment in Kosovo

Finn Church Aid (FCA) invites tenders from consultancy companies or individuals to carry out a needs-assessment in community based strategies to deter radicalization in the Kosovar context.

Finn Church Aid (FCA) is the largest Finnish development cooperation organisation and the second largest provider of humanitarian assistance. We operate in 15 countries, where the needs are most dire. We work with the poorest people, regardless of their religious beliefs, ethnic background or political convictions. Our work is right based, which means that our operations are guided by equality, non-discrimination and responsibility. FCA hosts the Secretariat for the Network for Religious and Traditional Peacemakers (Network), a network that brings together actors to provide global support for grassroots to international peace and peacebuilding efforts. The activities of the Network involve approximately 40 active organisations around the globe.

The aim of the Network is to improve the effectiveness and sustainability of peace focused efforts through collaboratively supporting and strengthening the positive role of religious and traditional actors in peace and peacebuilding processes. The Network has developed its thematic expertise in the area of preventing violent extremism globally, including in counties such as Kenya, Nigeria, Somalia and Finland. The Network's initiatives on preventing and countering violent extremism aim at understanding why and how individuals can be mobilized to support or commit acts of violent extremism and terrorism, the root causes of radicalization and find innovative solutions to tackle the drivers of radicalization. The needs assessment in Kosovo is linked to the already existing work on this subject by the Network.

The tender is for a consultancy contract, not an employment with FCA. The project will however be undertaken in close collaboration with FCA.

OBJECTIVE The objective of the needs assessment is to collect data and analyse the current community based strategies in the prevention of violent extremism in Kosovo, particularly the role of community, religious and traditional actors. The assessment should incorporate a desk study on existing work and research already conducted on the subject, and primary data on areas that are not covered by existing works and research.

JOB SUMMARY The task of the consultant are:

1. Conduct a desk study based on the already existing research on the topic
2. Collect primary data on three selected hotspots

SCOPE OF SERVICE

- 1) In liaison with the FCA/Network Secretariat design and conduct a needs assessment study
- 2) Conduct a desk study and select three hotspots for deeper field research
- 3) Design and conduct field research
- 4) Ensure all data collected are true and accurate and that the contacts created are taken well care of
- 5) Arrange logistics related to the data collection
- 6) Arrange for all printing and documentation pertaining to the surveys
- 7) Collation of results
- 8) Analysis of results and their implications to the future engagement of the Network, and
- 9) Submission of a report to the FCA/Network Secretariat in agreed timeframe.



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REPORTING AND DELIVERABLES The successful candidate will produce a mid-term report based on the first analysis by 15th of August 2016 and a final Needs Assessment Report with comprehensive analysis, relevant contact details and assessment of the role of the Network by 15th of September 2016.

KNOWLEDGE SKILLS AND ABILITIES The successful candidate must possess knowledge in conducting research on preventing violent extremism and great awareness of the cultural context and community relations in Kosovo. The candidate must be computer literate, have experience in data analysis and possess good interpersonal skills.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE The successful candidate will have the following qualifications:

- Expertise in community based strategies in preventing violent extremism
- Deep understanding of the local context in Kosovo and inter- and intra-religious dynamics in the country
- Experience and expertise in conducting field studies and data analysis
- Extensive knowledge of and working experience with local and international partners and ability to find synergies between various actors
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Excellent computer skills
- Knowledge on local languages is seen as a significant asset

Kindly submit your tender to Mr. Mahdi Abdile at mahdi.abdile@kua.fi preferably by **24 July 2016**, but no later than 28 July 2016. CV(s) of consultant/-s involved in the project and examples of previous work should accompany the tender.

For further information, please contact Mr. Mahdi Abdile, mahdi.abdile@kua.fi or visit Finn Church Aid's website <https://www.kirkonulkomaanapu.fi/en> or the Network's website <https://www.peacemakersnetwork.org/>