

Call for National Expert

Institute for Development, Research and Alternatives – IDRA in Tirana, for the needs of the implementation of the project "Corruption Free Universities in Albania, North Macedonia and Serbia" which is implemented within the framework of SMART BALKANS CIVIL SOCIETY FOR SHARED SOCIETY IN THE WESTERN BALKANS funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Norway announces a **CALL FOR HIRING A NATIONAL EXPERT** for the Joint Report, Policy Paper, Anti-corruption Guide and best practice toolkit as well as delivery of capacity building seminars.

Overall goal of the project: to promote rule of law, provide effective administration of justice and prevent corruption among students and university employees in the higher education of Albania, North Macedonia and Serbia.

Specific objective(s) (outcomes) of the project: (1) to raise awareness of all stakeholders in HE system for effective implementation of corruption prevention mechanisms; (2) to strengthen the capacities of university administration and management as well as the capacities of students, student bodies and organizations to implement the existing legislation for corruption prevention and to develop new instruments to address the emerging challenges and (3) to promote the establishment of enabling environment for reporting corruption through better-informed stakeholders and the general public.

Scope of Works:

Preparation of a methodology for the preparation of a Joint Report, a Policy Brief, a Guide to Prevention of Corruption with examples of best practices together with national experts from North Macedonia and Serbia and in consultation with the project team.

- Anticipated working days for Methodology preparation – 1 day

Joint Report on corruption perception and assessment of corruption prevention for Albania, with a goal to identify potential challenges in the development of capacity-building activities and potential legislative action.

- Anticipated working days for preparation of Joint Report– 4 days

Policy brief, to offer precise conclusions operationalized in tangible recommendations for the policymakers and relevant stakeholders.

- Anticipated working days for Policy Paper – 1 day

Corruption Prevention Guide, supported by the Toolkit of relevant best practices – with an aim to describe the procedure for the protection of students' rights in a simple way based on a step-by-step approach in each country. The guides will contain a detailed step-by-step description of

the procedures needed to be followed by students, and the legal remedies at their disposal in each country. The toolkit will contain a summary of best practices in corruption prevention and reporting and will be disseminated to selected target groups at all public events

- Anticipated working days for Anti-corruption Guides – 3 days

Delivery of two one-day workshop with aim to strengthen the capacities of the project stakeholders with effective mechanisms for corruption prevention. The workshop curriculum would be primarily based on the research findings and policy brief.

- Anticipated working days for preparation and organization of capacity building seminars - 3 days (1 day for preparation and 2 days for realization)

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A total of 12 working days are planned for the engagement of the National Expert.

A combined ranking method will be used in the evaluation of bids.

Fulfilment of the technical criteria – 70 points (Relevant education – 10 points; MA studies – 10 points; doctoral studies -10 points; relevant previous experience 20 points; Previous similar research 20 points). Threshold for evaluation – 50 points

Fulfilment of financial criteria – 30 points. The maximum number of points will be awarded to the proposal with the lowest price compared to those bidders who will pass the threshold of points during the evaluation of the technical component (50 points). All other price proposals will receive points in inverse proportion to the lowest price according to the following formula:

$$\text{Score for price proposal X} = \frac{\text{Max. Score for price proposal} * \text{Price of lowest priced proposal}}{\text{Price of proposal X}}$$

Qualifications:

- University degree in Law, master's degree and doctorate will be considered an advantage
- At least 10 years of work experience in the authority of anti-corruption, public administration, higher education
- Experience in consulting and working with government bodies and NGOs
- Experience in working with students and organized student groups
- Strong research and analytical skills
- Experience in working on reforms related to transparency and accountability of institutions



- At least three researches related to the application of legislation in the field of anti-corruption, public administration, higher education, access to public information, protection of whistle-blowers, etc. in the last five years
- Experience in working with international organizations or on regional initiatives and projects

Method of application: The candidate submits a resume, motivational letter and financial offer (full gross amount) to the e-mail address blerta.kalavace@idra.al no later than 10 March 2023.

After completion of the selection process, all candidates will be notified of the outcome.

No phone calls please.

Tirana, 28 February 2023