

# CONCORD AidWatch Report 2020

## Call for consultant

April 2020

### Introduction

In the framework of the preparation of the AidWatch Report 2020, CONCORD Europe, the European Confederation of Development and Relief NGOs, is launching a call for external consultants. Each year, CONCORD publishes the annual AidWatch Report on the quantity and quality of European ODA, which is launched in Brussels and EU Member States across Europe and used to inform coordinated EU lobby work to influence policy makers and hold governments to account on their aid pledges.

### Timeline

The work should be carried out between end-May 2020 and mid-September 2020, when a final draft of the report should be presented.

### Job description

The main tasks of the work would consist in:

- Developing a concept note for the AidWatch Report 2020 and a questionnaire for quantitative and qualitative data collection from CONCORD's National Platforms (task to be done in consultation with FFSD Policy group and the AW National Platforms focal points);
- Analysing the European Commission and Member States governments responses to COVID-19 outbreak and its impact on development cooperation;
- Analysing OECD DAC statistics (CRS) in general and on selected issues (to be decided) for the period 2014-2019 - which almost overlaps with the current EU Multiannual Financial Framework.
- Conducting desk research and interviews with CONCORD and other EU aid experts on a structured basis (questionnaire) on EU ODA trends.
- Based on the analysis of the OECD DAC figures, complemented with the questionnaire data received from the national platforms and other relevant sources, drafting an overview chapter with the main quantitative and qualitative findings including graphs and tables and incorporating comments from the consultation process.
- Drafting a thematic chapter different EU tools available to respond to COVID-19 emergency in partner countries - looking at different aspects of EU development cooperation beyond ODA, with a focus on Africa.
- Drafting the European Commission country page, incorporating comments from the consultation process and editing the country pages (drafted by CONCORD National Platforms).
- Regular participation in teleconferences of the CONCORD FFSD Policy group and AW National Platforms focal points.
- Working with the designer on the layout and presentation and communication of the report findings.

## Report content and format

### Content:

The primary purpose of the AidWatch Report 2020 is to hold the EU and member states to account for their commitments on aid quantity and quality as well as for focussing aid on poverty and inequality reduction to achieve 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The AidWatch Report 2020 will focus on capturing the main ODA trends and the new narrative on development cooperation, notably on EU-Africa partnership, to respond to COVID-19 emergency in partner countries.

For more information, the AidWatch Report 2020 Terms of Reference will be shared with the shortlisted candidates.

### Format:

- Overview chapter on the EU aid trends (drafted by AW consultant)
- Thematic chapter on EU tools available to respond to COVID-19 emergency in partner countries - looking at different aspects of EU development cooperation beyond ODA, with a focus on Africa.
- Country pages (prepared by national platforms and edited by AW consultant)

Please see the <https://concordeurope.org/2016/01/09/aidwatch-reports/> for examples of the previous reports.

## Candidate profile

Successful candidates for this offer will respond as much as possible to the following profile:

### Essential:

- Experience of quantitative and qualitative data analysis (including use of OECD databases preferably).
- Excellent English writing and editing skills; ability to write about complex issues in an engaging way.
- Excellent knowledge of EU Development Cooperation issues.
- Very good understanding and knowledge of the aid/development effectiveness agenda.
- Experience of coordinating and managing networks or multiple stakeholders would be an advantage.

### Desirable:

- Experience of working in the NGOs environment, with complex multicultural networks and under pressure.
- Some experience in communication.

## Application process

To apply for this post, please send:

- your CV outlining your relevant expertise to meet this assignment (1 page max);
- your proposal on how you will undertake this research, including a suggested number of days and their distribution between the different tasks and phases of the work and your day rate (2 pages max).

Please submit this to Riccardo Roba ([riccardo.roba@concordeurope.org](mailto:riccardo.roba@concordeurope.org)) and Zuzana Sldakova ([zuzana.sladkova@concordeurope.org](mailto:zuzana.sladkova@concordeurope.org)) by 8 May at midnight cob.

