

Strategic Partnership for Supply Chain Transformation

Terms of reference

Strategic advisor & facilitator for the Steering Committee

Background

Since 2016, Fair Wear Foundation, CNV Internationaal and Mondiaal FNV have been partners in the five-year 'Strategic Partnership' (SP) for Supply Chain Transformation. The SP is part of the 'Dialogue and Dissent' 2016 – 2020 framework of the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and aims to improve corporate and government policies and practices regarding human rights compliance in apparel supply chains in seven countries: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Myanmar and Vietnam.

The Strategic Partnership is governed by the Steering Committee (SC), consisting of the three directors. The SC supervises the implementation of the programme and makes relevant decisions regarding the progress. The SC is looking for an advisor to provide strategic advice on the progress, the improvement and renewal of the programme.

Objectives

The Strategic Partnership is in its third year of implementation. In the remaining 1.5 years the SC is looking for an advisor that can provide ad-hoc support to the SC in advising on strategic direction and decisions to further strengthen the SP and provide input for relevant documents for this purpose. In addition, the advisor will advise the three organizations in the development of the new SP application, in particular in the area of governance.

Tasks

- Advise the SC in decision-making on current programme direction
- Review the current SP framework and Mid-term Review
- Consult SP partners and selected group of direct stakeholders on the added value of the partnership, its strength as well as areas for improvement
- Develop a governance structure for the SP that clearly defines roles of each partner, responsibilities of lead agency, accountability mechanisms, communication, decision-making and southern ownership in the SP
- Facilitate the application process of the new SP programme to ensure its relevance in the current political landscape and the requirements of the framework, as well as the complementarity of partner's interventions

Knowledge and Skills

- Strong communications and interpersonal skills
- Strong facilitation and process management skills
- Knowledge on supply chain approach
- Knowledge on unions
- Knowledge on facilitating funding applications within the context of the partnership
- + Ten-year experience in international development issues and partnerships
- Knowledge of the Dutch political landscape is an advantage

Timeline

We are looking for an advisor for the remaining period of the SP – ending 2020. The time investment may vary per month.

- June – end of 2020: Provide strategic advice to the SC
- June- September: Facilitate process in strategic development of the partnership and work on governance aspects
- September- December: Facilitate application process

Proposal requirements

The proposal should include:

- a) Consultant's CV with expertise and qualifications in the required areas
- b) Work samples on:
 - Facilitating a funding application process (or similar process)
 - Strategy development
 - Governance & organization
- c) Proposed approach
- d) Budget indication based on a maximum of two days a week in the first two months

Please submit your proposal by the 16th of June.

For more information, contact Arja Schreij – Strategic Partnership Coordinator at schreij@fairwear.org