



## REQUEST FOR APPLICATION FROM CONSULTANTS

ON

### THE ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NIGERIA'S INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION/ASSET RECOVERY COMMITMENT (INCLUDING GFAR AND LONDON ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMITMENTS)

#### Background

Corruption is a major problem in Nigeria and is largely responsible for widespread poverty and underdevelopment. According to the UN and the AU, around \$148 billion is stolen from Africa annually by political leaders, multinational corporations, the business elite and civil servants with complicity of banking and property industries in Europe, North America and elsewhere. Transparency International (TI), recently ranked Nigeria 154<sup>th</sup> out of 180 countries ranked in its 2021 Corruption Perception Index (CPI). The country, according to the CPI, scored 24 out of 100, a figure which is one point less compared to the score of 2020<sup>1</sup>.

The Federal Government of Nigeria, working with the international community has shown commitments and determination to trace, track and repatriate looted assets to countries of origin to finance development. At the London anti-corruption Summit held in 2016 and the Global Forum on Asset Recovery held in December 2017, Nigerian government made specific commitments in a bid to address corruption in Nigeria.

ANEEJ, as part of the implementation of the “*Enhancing Anti-corruption and Social Inclusive Reform Initiatives in Nigeria*” project, is seeking to assess how far those commitments have been implemented. ANEEJ has received funding from Palladium under the Strengthening Civic Advocacy and Local Engagement (SCALE) project funded by USAID to implement the project, and now working with eight organisations under the anchor-cluster model as the anchor organization. The cluster is composed of Anti-Corruption-focused CSOs drawn from NGOs, Faith-Based Organizations, Gender-based and Persons with Disabilities. The project is designed to strengthen the capacity of CSOs and journalists as advocates to engage government on anti-corruption and social inclusive policy reforms issues at the national level and in six oil and gas producing States (Edo, Delta, Abia, Imo, Rivers and Ondo States). It is equally advocating for transparency, accountability and reforms within the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) and the five Oil and Gas Producing Areas Development Commissions in the Niger Delta. The project will also be engaging government on commitments made during London Anti-corruption Summit and the Global Forum on Asset Recovery.

As part of the project implementation, ANEEJ has set out to assess the level of Nigeria's implementation of the commitments made during the London Anti-corruption summit and the Global Forum on Asset Recovery (GFAR) and therefore seeks the service of a consultant to carry out the assessment.

#### Consultants ToR/Scope of Work

The consultant will undertake the following assignment;

- Review relevant documents concerning London Anti-corruption summit and the Global Forum on Asset Recovery (GFAR)
- Review Nigeria's commitment at London Anti-corruption summit and the Global Forum on Asset Recovery (GFAR)

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<sup>1</sup> <https://guardian.ng/news/nigeria-ranks-five-places-worse-on-2021-corruption-perceptions-index/>



- Assess how far Nigeria has implemented both commitments and identify gaps or challenges with the implementation
- identify stakeholders involved in the implementation
- Interface with Federal Ministry of Justice, OGP Secretariat and other relevant MDAs/CSOs to get information
- Make recommendations on how to improve on the implementation of the commitments

### **Timeline**

The consultant has a total of 15 days to deliver on the assignment, broken down as follows;

- 14 days - review the necessary documents as well as interface with Federal Ministry of Justice, OGP Secretariat and other relevant MDAs/CSOs to get information and submit draft to ANEEJ
- 1 day – review draft assessment report based on feedback from ANEEJ and respond to feedback.

### **Milestones/deliverable for the consultancy**

The Consultant shall:

- Share a note on the methodology for the assessment and interview schedule within two days of signing the consultancy agreement with ANEEJ
- Review relevant documents within two days and develop tool for data collection
- Conduct the necessary interviews within five days
- Share a draft report with ANEEJ within two weeks signing the contract
- Receive feedback from ANEEJ within one day of sharing the draft report
- Send in the final report after reflecting feedback from ANEEJ

### **Expertise required for the Consultancy**

The consultants shall have:

- I. Minimum of BSc
- II. Minimum of five years' experience in development work with clear understanding of Corruption and its impact in a society
- III. Must have undertaken similar assignment and understand the global anti-corruption framework including UNCAC
- IV. Must have clear understanding of ongoing anti-corruption reform issues in Nigeria
- V. Have deep knowledge of the London Anti-corruption Summit commitments and GFAR commitments
- VI. Detail-oriented; demonstrated ability to multi-task and meet client deadlines

### **Contract**

ANEEJ will enter into contract with the consultant to signal the commencement of the work which will terminate on completion of the assignment based on stated timelines.

### **Fee**

A total of N600,000 is available for this assignment subject to 5% withholding tax.



**Submission of expression of interest**

Consultants are invited to express interest by submitting their CVs to [procurement@aneej.org](mailto:procurement@aneej.org) (copy [info@aneej.org](mailto:info@aneej.org)) latest by 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2022. ANEEJ will contact only the consultant selected for the assignment.