

Vacancy No: UNAIDS/RST/YKP01
Title: Regional Consultant for Young Key Populations

Date: 4th September 2020
Application Deadline: 2nd October 2020

Organization unit: UNAIDS RSTAP
Duty station: Bangkok, Thailand

Contract type: Consultant Contract

Duration of contract: Starting as soon as possible until December 2021.

Remuneration: The indicative maximum available budget for a 12-month contract is up to \$60,000, excluding the duty travel costs during the contract period.

1. Purpose of the position

The Regional Consultant for Young Key Populations contributes to the execution of the UNAIDS youth strategy in the region. Leveraging new technologies and social media, the Regional Consultant for Young Key Populations spearheads dynamic new ways of working in UNAIDS, using online tools to collaborate with country, regional and global teams and creates space for and reinforces a new generation of young key population leaders in the AIDS response.

2. Background

The UNAIDS Youth Programme works with youth as beneficiaries, partners and leaders of the HIV response. It is founded on three cornerstone principles, with a robust, cross-cutting focus on advocacy: policy, participation and partnership.

The Youth Programme was launched in 2012 and was based on the CrowdOutAIDS recommendations developed in collaboration with more than 5000 young people. It advocates for evidence-informed policy through increased strategic information and fosters a decentralized, organic youth-led movement in the AIDS response. The Youth Programme strengthens young people's leadership skills and their ability to operate in a framework that advances evidence-informed HIV responses.

3. Main tasks and Responsibilities of the Position

Under the direct supervision of the Regional Advocacy Adviser, the Regional Consultant for Young Key Populations will:

- Work towards increased political inclusion of young key populations in regional and country decision-making processes related to policy, programme development and funding mechanisms in the AIDS response-such as the Joint UN Teams on AIDS, Country Coordinating Mechanisms and National AIDS Commissions/Councils-as well as regional bodies.
- Provide technical support to UNAIDS Country Offices to improve the scale-up of young key population programming on HIV and sexual and reproductive health rights.
- Contribute to the management of TSM-supported assignments on Key Populations in the region, including 1) facilitate and contribute to the conceptualization and development of technical assistance assignments on Key Populations in the region and 2) contribute to the identification of best practices from the region, the sharing and utilization of lessons learned from targeted catalytic technical assistance on changing policies, removing bottlenecks, addressing inequities and accelerating the HIV response;
- Explore opportunities to build broad new alliances for social change inside and outside the AIDS response by adopting a network approach to social organization, identifying key

influencers and organizations in other youth movements, while also utilizing existing partnerships to deliver on UNAIDS' strategic young key populations agenda.

- Build a community of interest by making information more accessible through for example, blogs, pod-casts, Twitter, Facebook, emails, and etc.
- Work to establish a culture of inclusion in the regional and country offices, institutionalizing a space for dialogue between youth key population networks and organizations and staff for an increased understanding of and respect for young key population perspectives and ideas in the AIDS response.
- Write feature stories to make more visible the initiatives that young key populations are carrying out in the region and support the development of communication campaigns.
- Contribute to manage regional social media channels to reach out to youth audiences.
- Performs other related duties as assigned, including replacing and backstopping for others as required.

Required Qualifications:

Education:

Essential: University degree in social science, public health, management, communications or related fields. For internal candidate, a first university degree and 4 years of experience will be considered as equivalent.

Competencies:

UNAIDS Values

1. Commitment to the AIDS response
2. Integrity
3. Respect for diversity

Core competencies:

1. Working in teams
2. Communicating with impact
3. Applying expertise
4. Delivering results
5. Driving change and innovation
6. Being accountable

Managerial competencies:

1. Vision and strategic thinking
2. Developing and empowering others
3. Building relationships and networks
4. Exercising sound judgment

Experience:

Essential:

A minimum of two years of experience in social justice movements, civil society, a nongovernmental organization, development, government- and/or international organizations with a focus on young key populations. Young key populations are encouraged to apply for this position.

Desirable:

A minimum of 2 to 3 years of experience working on issues related to health and HIV.

Languages:

Essential: Advanced knowledge of English

Desirable:

Knowledge of another UN official language.

Timeframe:

To start as soon as possible, until 31 December 2021. Due to COVID-19 uncertainty and depending on the circumstances, the Consultant could work some periods of time remotely.

Budget

The indicative maximum available budget for a 12-month contract is up to \$60,000, excluding the duty travel costs during the contract period.

The Consultant needs to buy her/his Health Insurance for the contract period.

Closing date:

Interested applicants are requested to send their application letter, CV and financial proposal to polesanam@unaids.org with cc to supreyapornp@unaids.org by 1700 hrs BKK time on 2nd October 2020. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.