



Save the Children Sweden fights for children's rights. We influence public opinion and support children at risk. Our vision is a world in which all children's rights are fulfilled – a world that respects and values each child, a world where all children participate and have influence, a world where all children have hope and opportunity.



Since 1960, Save the Children Sweden has been operational in the Middle East and North Africa region. Our main focus of work is on children's rights to education and protection. We give direct support to more than 60 000 children and many more through advocacy and policy initiatives. Whereas our regional office is in Beirut, we have country offices and activities in several countries in the region.

We are now seeking a

Consultant on Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights

Duration:	8 to 10 weeks
Starting date:	As soon as possible
Contracting body:	Save the Children Sweden MENA Regional Office
Line manager:	Project Manager and Regional Child Protection Advisor
Application deadline:	Monday 14 February 2011

Background

Save the Children Sweden (SCS), with its implementing partners started in January 2010 an EU funded project "Investing in People: Good Health for All -Capacity Development and Advocacy on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) Policies" aiming to ensure that children and adolescents in Yemen, oPt and Lebanon enjoy and claim their right to SRH.

In the three countries of intervention access to information on SRHR for children, adolescents and adults is not ensured. The project intends to respond to this gap by developing information and education materials on SRH that children, adolescents and caregivers can access and learn from. Three child/adolescent friendly modules will be developed /adapted from relevant existing materials that include a booklet with important information as well as materials for activities. Module 1 will focus on the Reproductive Health of children and adolescents, changes as a result of puberty, physical as well as psychological changes. Module 2 will focus on gender-based violence such as early marriage and Female Genital Mutilation-FGM, and other issues

such as HIV/AIDS. Activities include pictures for discussion, stories etc. Module 3 will focus on sexual abuse, including the basics for a community based reporting and a responding structure. Through the project, personnel of formal and non-formal facilities, Primary Health Care-PHC and community-based structures will be trained on the three modules and will all receive one copy of the full kit. Furthermore, the children and adolescents participating in the project will contribute to the production of these modules.

The modules will be field tested in at least 1 impact area for each targeted country, for a period of 3 months, before the final production and printing. Through the field testing SCS and its partners will be able to understand the impact of the developed materials in terms of children's understanding and community members' attitude towards the materials and topics discussed. The education material will be modified and adapted upon results of the field-testing.

Core responsibilities

The consultant will be primarily responsible to:

- Complete a desk review on all available SRHR material in all three countries with the support of SCS Country Offices in addition to the information and data collected by the project's baseline survey.
- Revise the already developed module outlines from each country and propose a unified outline for module 1 and 2.
- Develop Module 1 for Lebanon.
- Develop Module 2 for Lebanon and Yemen.
- Revise the already developed modules in Yemen and oPt according to the approved unified outline.
- Ensure relevant country level information and context in the development of the modules.
- Develop relevant session plans and exercises for all topics in the modules
- Ensure that the information, talking points, handouts and key messages in the modules reflect a gender sensitive, rights based approach and are in line with the CRC.
- Ensure Child Participation in the development of the modules.
- Develop a field work journal and a monitoring plan for the progress of work.
- Present the outlines and modules to the SCS Regional office and Lebanon, Yemen and oPt Country offices (and EU team if need be) at the end of the assignment.
- Adapt the modules according to the feedback from the baseline survey, field-testing and partner's feedbacks.

Reporting line

The Consultant will report to the Project Manager through weekly report based on updates to the action plan and, face to face meetings twice per month.

Communication

First line of communication for the Researcher will be the Project Manager and when discussing country specific issues, the CP Officers/Advisor and implementing partners in Yemen, Palestine and Lebanon will also be involved. Technical issues will be through the Project Manager, CP Officers/Advisor in Yemen, Palestine and Lebanon.

Qualifications required

- Min. 3-5 years work experience in Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights of Children and Adolescents, Child Protection and Children's Rights preferably in the Middle East Context.

- The consultant must prove the following skills:
 - Development and design of SRHR educational material in a child friendly and user friendly language;
 - Development of training modules on gender, sexuality, reproductive health and human rights
 - Training experience with children and youth
 - Clear knowledge and understanding of the added value represented by children's participation.
 - Possess a rights-based and gender-sensitive perspective
- Advanced English and Arabic written and spoken language skills are essential
- Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to work in a multicultural team and environment.
- Sensitivity to different cultural and religious contexts
- Capacity to collect and analyze information in a systematic way
- Ability to present complex information in an accessible way
- Ability and commitment to deliver the expected results in a short period of time
- Availability to travel to Lebanon, Yemen and oPt.
- Ability to work with a virtual team

To apply

Kindly send a CV and a letter of intent to vacancies@mena.savethechildren.se no later than **Monday 14 February 2011**, clearly marked with SHRH Module Consultant. Short-listed candidates will be contacted only.

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