

Terms of Reference for a short-term Consultant

Title: Researcher and Writer

Project: Democracy Needs Civic Education - A Civic Education Platform for Iraq

Duty station: Home-based

Type of contract: Fixed Term Contract

Closing date: 12 November, 2023

1. Purpose: elbarlament is seeking to recruit a historical researcher and writer to support / provide the project with a fully drafted - semi interactive - timeline of Iraq's top 20 milestones in Iraq modern history. The timeline should combine all aspects of one of the project's pillars: History, Heritage and Culture.

The researcher will sign a service contract with elbarlament e.V., intended to take effect on 15.11.2023 and intended to end on 15.12.2023.

2. Background: elbarlament is a non-profit organisation supporting peacebuilding and democracy with a special focus on empowering women and youth. We follow a unique approach that integrates conflict sensitivity, cultural awareness and intersectionality. Elbarlament cooperates with parliaments, governments, civil society actors and international institutions, implementing projects and delivering consulting services in German, English, French and Arabic. Our international and multilingual team is based in Berlin, Cologne and Erbil (Iraq). More information about elbarlament is available at www.elbarlament.org.

Elbarlament is currently implementing the project '**Democracy Needs Civic Education - A Civic Education Platform for Iraq**'. The project, which is financed by the German Federal Foreign Office, aims to build an innovative knowledge-sharing and knowledge-management digital platform for civic education in Iraq with a view towards fostering democratic change, a cohesive Iraqi society and post-conflict stabilisation through increased social and political knowledge and engagement.

3. Objectives and expected results:

The researcher is expected to undertake the following tasks:

- Create a comprehensive timeline of the most important historical/cultural events in Iraq modern history from 1920 up to the year 2023
- Each point should have a word count of 500-600 words and related to civic education (political system, society or unifying topics) including teasers and headlines for the timeline
- Structure the timeline into engaging sections, each designed to facilitate the use of various media types, including but not limited to infographics, videos, or other engaging multimedia formats.
- Provide a draft/rough overview explaining the exact milestones is requested, changes will be discussed before a final version is submitted;
- Collaborate closely with the project team to receive feedback on drafts.
- Make revisions and updates to the drafts based on feedback and project requirements.
- Prepare the knightlab timeline template:
(http://timeline.knightlab.com/?_gl=1*1fi1358*_ga*NjA4NjUwMjlyLjE2OTExNDg5MDc.*_ga_8F4WPDMPL5*MTY5NDY5OTk2NC40LjEuMTY5NDY5OTk2Ny4wLjAuMA..#make)

The final product's rights will be given explicitly to elbarlament e.V.

Please note that the content provided by the researcher will undergo a **thorough plagiarism screening process** and it will be published on social media and "OURAQ" platform.

The Consultant will provide documentation by emails.

Language of deliverables: all development and exchanges will be in English, with the possibility of exchanging with some team members in Arabic depending on the Consultant's capabilities; all final versions of deliverables will be in English.

4. Application and selection: Applications should include the below documentation:

- A cover letter, describing the overall interest in the position
- An updated CV
- A financial offer
- Writing samples of previous work

Incomplete applications, or those received after the published deadline, will not be considered.

5. Deadline and selection modalities: Interested candidates are invited to submit the application documents by, 12.11.2023 to Ms Oleiwi (email: oleiwi@elbarlament.org) and Mr Salomo (email: salomo@elbarlament.org). Candidates who do not receive any feedback within three weeks of the deadline should consider their application as unsuccessful.