Local Consultants for Regional Landscape of Molecular POC Platforms

Organization:
FIND (www.finddx.org) is a global non-profit organisation driving innovation in the development and delivery of diagnostics to combat major diseases affecting low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). With priorities aligned to those of the global public health community, we turn complex diagnostic challenges into simple solutions through unique partnerships with the public, private and non-profit sectors.

The landscaping activity is critical to FIND in defining technology gaps as well as selecting key partners and technologies to initiate and develop collaborations, with the ultimate goal of providing transformative in vitro diagnostic (IVD) tests in LMICs. This activity is run by the Business Intelligence (BI) team at FIND.

Your mission/Overall objective:
FIND’s Business Intelligence unit is seeking local consultants to support regional landscaping activities for point-of-care (POC) molecular platforms in Latin America, China, India and South-East Asia.

The BI Unit leads a technology- and business-driven process for gathering and analysing technology and partner-related data to improve decision-making that can address diagnostic gaps in LMICs. All technology and industry data are centralised, structured and managed by the BI unit.

Location: Latin America, China, India, South-East Asia.

Your responsibilities:
Your responsibility will be to support the BI team by performing a diagnostic technology landscape on reusable platforms and disposable devices that enable molecular testing at the point of care, with the lowest levels of healthcare as an indication (e.g. at-home, community or primary care). Your key activities will include:

- Active search for products and/or technologies within the above scope (i.e. molecular point-of-care).
- Extraction of accurate and up-to-date information on the identified solutions based on a predefined list of attributes (including information on technology principles, platform features, operating conditions, performance, commercial information, etc.) within a defined report format (usually Excel)
- Support the management of FIND’s technology database.
- Outreach to developers and manufacturers directly and schedule meetings to gather more information.
- Write reports/presentations on the results of the landscape research.
When applicable, the consultant will make initial introductions between FIND and relevant teams/companies and/or manage relationships on behalf of FIND.

✓ Report regularly to the BI team on the progress of the task.

✓ Maintain the confidentiality chain whenever necessary.

Experience and qualifications:

- Master's degree in Life Sciences/Biochemistry/Bioengineering/Biology or related fields from a recognised academic institution. PhD level is a plus.
- Be a subject matter expert on molecular point-of-care as demonstrated by track records.
- A solid network and knowledge of the diagnostic companies at the local level is a must-have.
- Understanding global/public health and infectious diseases is beneficial.
- Be proficient and comfortable with Excel.
- Team player comfortable working in a multicultural environment.
- Well-organized and detail-oriented.
- Fluent in English (verbal and written) and strong knowledge of the local languages.
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Posted: 20 Feb 2024

**Nature of Appointment:**
The consultancy work will be planned with the BI team through:

1) The BI team will provide the scope of work and timeline
2) The consultant will provide a proposed approach and a budget for the task
   a. Based on this first estimate, there can be re-negotiation, changes in scope of work, etc.
3) Agreement and contracting
4) FIND and the consultant will agree on the attributes to be gathered (the consultant will provide subject matter expertise).
5) The consultant will perform the task and report regularly to the BI team

Deadline to send your application: **March 06, 2024**.

Please email consultingforBI@finddx.org and add the job posting code BI_Regional_MolPOC_FEB24 to the subject of your email.

Your email should include the following documents:
- Detailed resume
- Motivation letter
- Conflict of interest policy
- A proof that you (as an independent consultant) or your consulting company is registered in your country of residence

Please note that only applicants meeting the profile requirements will be personally contacted. Applications sent by recruitment agencies will not be considered.