

Consultant for diagnostic technology landscaping and scouting activities for outbreak diseases

BACKGROUND

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.

SCOPE OF WORK AND ACTIVITY

The objective of this Request For Proposal (RFP) is to identify consulting services (including independent consultants) that can support the BI team to build a diagnostic technology landscape and conduct technology scouting on outbreak-prone diseases, such as dengue fever, Chikungunya, MERS and Rift Valley fever.

The work will be done with the support of FIND's Malaria & Fever and Pandemic Threats teams.

The diagnostic landscape will be completed through an active search for products and/or technologies within the specific scope (i.e. dengue and other outbreak-prone diseases), with detailed information and to be performed with a clear deadline. The landscaping and technology scouting activities will involve:

- Identification of technologies/products for dengue and other outbreak diseases (including multiplexed tests), from early-stage innovations to regulatory approved tests
- Extraction of information on the identified solutions based on predefined FIND selection criteria (including information on technology, platform, operation, performance, etc.) within a defined report format
- Reaching out to developers, manufacturers and researchers directly by emails and/or calls with the FIND team to gather more information
- Write reports, publications and prepare Powerpoint presentations of the results of the landscape. The format of the reports can vary from an Excel file to a full written report to be published on the FIND website (examples [here](#)).

LOCATION

Anywhere (remote)

CONTRACT DURATION

July to December 2024

MINIMUM OCCUPANCY RATE

50% (up to 80%)

PROFILE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Master's degree in Life Sciences/Biochemistry/Bioengineering/Biology or related fields from a recognised academic institution. PhD level is a plus.
- Experienced consultant with a high degree of expertise in diagnostic technologies and/or relevant diseases.
- Be proficient and comfortable with Excel.
- Team player comfortable working in a multicultural environment.
- Well-organized and detail-oriented.
- Professional level English is essential. Working knowledge of any other language would be an asset.

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 Based on this first estimate, there can be re-negotiation, changes in scope of work, etc.
- 3) Agreement and contracting
- 4) FIND will provide the characteristics and data to be gathered and 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: **June 23rd, 2024.**

Please email consultingforBI@finddx.org and add the RFP posting code **BI_Landscape_Consultant_JUN24** for this call for Consulting Services 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.