**Hiring Office:** Sahel Women’s Empowerment & Demographic Dividend Regional Secretariat / UNFPA West & Central Africa Regional Office

**Purpose of consultancy:**

One of the main objectives of the Sahel Women’s Empowerment & Demographic Dividend (SWEDD) project is to support the recipient countries to strengthen the performance of the countries RMNCHN supply chain, based on proven evidence in the region and abroad. In this line, the SWEDD Secretariat organized a workshop in Abidjan from 18 to 22 January to help develop country specific action plans. A three phases roadmap was endorsed by the six recipient countries and their partners World Bank, UNFPA, WAHO and The BMGF as follows:

- Technical assistance to countries by the pool of experts to finalize in country action plans
- Technical assistance to the countries to properly respond to the SWEDD request for proposal on the supply chain focusing on best practices around the “last mile”.

The main purpose is Consultancy is to provide technical assistance to SWEDD countries for the development of action plans on strengthening in country supply chain focusing on the “last mile”.

**Scope of work:**

1/ The present mission is to assist countries in finalizing action plans in line with the Abidjan roadmap;
2/ Assist countries to respond to the SWEDD request for proposal to strengthen countries’ supply chain.

The mission include:

- Orientation workshop,
- meeting with key stakeholders (MOH, Minister for Planning, UNFPA, UNICEF, Health minister ,etc),
- review the country action plan developed in Abidjan,
- Assess the alignment with the proposed interventions in the Annual Work Plan of the World Bank SWEDD project,
- Assist in aligning activities, outputs, outcomes,
- Assist in finalizing budget estimation,
- Assist in the development of the way forward.

**Duration and working schedule:**

**Step 1 : Duration 30 days : Develop Country Action Plans**

- 5 days Preparation, including literature review using the World Bank Situation Analysis, alignment on mission objectives, and briefing calls on countries request, alignment of country priorities – actual workplan versus gap identified during Abidjan workshop, identify new gaps and guide the consultants on their mission - specific guidance to consultancy, consultant assigned countries.
- 10 – 15 days in the field: Orientation workshop, meeting with key stakeholders (MOH, Minister for Planning, SWEDD Units, UNFPA, UNICEF, Health minister ...), review the country action plan developed in Abidjan, access the alignment with the purpose intervention in the PAD of the World Bank SWEDD project, assist in aligning activities outputs, outcomes, assist in finalizing budget estimation, assist in the development of the way forward.

**Step 2 : Duration 60 days: Develop country proposals**

- 5 days Literature review. Initial briefing in country mission. Alignment with country SWEDD and existing documentation
- 25 – 30 days in the field :Orientation workshop, meeting with key stakeholders. Assist in writing the proposal and assist in the validation by
the national steering committee and in the submission to the RST.

**Place where services are to be delivered:**

The initial briefing will take place in Dakar by teleconference. Then the mission will be deployed in countries: Burkina Faso, Chad, Côte d’Ivoire, Mali, Mauritania, and Niger. The team will include pharmacists, health economist, and IT specialist.

**Delivery dates and how work will be delivered (e.g. electronic, hard copy etc.)**

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**Supervisory arrangements:**

The team will be under the supervision of the Regional Steering Team Coordinator. Each country team will closely work on the guidance of the team leader and UNFPA Commodity Security Specialist in the country office and the SWEDD focal units.

**Expected travel:**

Travel to SWEDD countries, average 45 days. 10 to 15 days for the Action Plan and 30 days for the Request for proposal.

**Required expertise, qualifications and competencies, including language requirements:**

**Team leader**: Expert in supply chain and quantification, University Degree in Health, Business, Social Sciences or other relevant educational background. More than 5 years of experience in procurement and supply management of health products. Experience in leading and managing a team. Good knowledge on “last mile” interventions. Good knowledge on SWEDD countries pharma context. Good knowledge in UNFPA procedures. Fluent in both French and English. Effective computer skills.

**Other relevant information or special conditions, if any:**

All travel arrangements, DSA, TA, and security would be accorded to UNFPA procedures (security training and security clearance before trip, and security briefing upon arrival).

How to Apply: Please send your CV, p11 and 2 references to unfpa.wcaro.recruitment@unfpa.org by 13 March 2016. Please make reference to “Supply Chain Team Leader” in the email subject line.

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