

Terms of reference

ReDSS Longitudinal Solutions analyses Baidoa, Kismayo and Mogadishu - Somalia

Background

In late 2016 and early 2017, ReDSS members, in partnership with government and the UN Resident Coordinator office, developed district based Solutions analyses in [Baidoa, Kismayo and Mogadishu, Somalia](#). The three locations selected represented the main areas of return for Somali refugees in the region and are at the same time hosting the vast majority of IDPs.

The studies used the [ReDSS Solutions framework](#) to develop district based analyses to inform safe and dignified (re)integration programming. The process entailed a thorough review of existing secondary data and applied a participatory and consensus building approach including validation workshops at district level with local authorities and partners to collectively agree on gaps and priorities.

Since then, a number of durable solutions programming have been developed as well as key policies and governance processes are underway. In order to have a better understanding and analysis of the displacement context and agenda in Somalia, the objective is to review the uptake and impacts of those first analyses and to update them on an annual basis to inform and adapt durable solution programming.

Consultancy objectives

The Regional Durable Solutions Secretariat (ReDSS) seeks to commission a consultant(s) to:

1. **Review the uptake and impacts of the recommendations from the first Solutions analyses** to see to what extent those have informed durable solutions planning, programming and policies, and share lessons learnt
2. **Update the Solutions analyses** for Bay, Benadir and Lower Juba, in order to assess progress and challenges since February 2017 and this will be conducted on an annual basis over the next 4 years to have better longitudinal analyses in these locations (the update will be based on the ReDSS solutions framework's environmental analysis and 8 criteria - not on specific indicators)

Specific objectives – focus on the HOW

- Provide an update on the progress and challenges in addressing the recommendations from the first analyses, documenting lessons learnt, based on the ReDSS Core programming principles¹ -
 - including specific examples on good programming interventions that have been developed based on findings and recommendations from the analyses
 - assess to what extent actors have capitalized on opportunities to implement area based programming approaches involving displacement affected communities and led by municipalities and local authorities

¹ Available at <http://regionaldss.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Durable-solutions-Hum-dev-nexus-and-DS-core-elements-1.pdf>

- Review and update Solutions analyses for Bay, Benadir and Lower Juba regions so as to be used as guiding analyses for the next update and to adapt ongoing programming

The key themes to focus will be on:

- early solutions (linking humanitarian, development, peace and state building agenda)
- solutions in urban context (IDPs and urban poor), HLP and integrated programming
- area based planning and social inclusion
- economic opportunities and private sector
- safety and protection

These analyses will be complemented by longitudinal aspirations surveys of displacement-affected communities that will be conducted annually too, focusing on factors to support sustainability of durable solutions processes.

Methodology

The methodology for the review and update of the solutions analysis will include a thorough **environmental analysis** and **criteria level analysis** using the [ReDSS solutions framework](#).

The methodology will include:

- A people centred approach so data and evidence will be collected and analysed together with displacement affected communities and local authorities/ municipalities
- A very participatory and consensus building approach using the ReDSS Solution framework's 8 criteria and ReDSS Core durable solutions programming principles
- Desk review of secondary data and assessments
- Key Informant Interviews and consultations with government officials at national and local levels, development and humanitarian actors including clusters, national and local organizations, policy makers, donors, private sector, CSOs, faith based organizations, academia etc. (minimum 40 interviews/ participants consulted)
- Field visits and Focus Group Discussions with displacement affected populations (both refugees and host communities)
- Validation workshops to review and agree on overall findings and collective recommendations. The recommendations will be developed together with national and regional governments, UN agencies, NGOs, and durable solutions consortia

Expected deliverables

- **Inception Report** (with power point presentation) outlining the consultant's understanding of the TOR, methodology, tools, ethical considerations², outline, work-plan and a list of individuals and/or types of organizations the consultant(s) will be interviewing for presentation to the study's steering committee.
- **Draft Solutions analyses review and update** (40 pages maximum - Times New Roman, font 11-without annexes) including:
 - Table of contents, glossary of key terms, and list of acronyms

² Refer to Ethics of conducting research in conflict settings. Conflict and Health, 2009
<http://www.conflictandhealth.com/content/3/1/7>

- An executive summary (maximum 3 pages), introduction highlighting the objectives of the updates, the rationale, methodology used, scope and limitations
- Conclusions, recommendations and ways forward
- Use of tables, graphics and diagrams for each region and to compare between them
- ReDSS criteria Framework rated for each location
- Annexes including but not limited to list of key interviews, field visits, bibliography, documents reviewed, etc.
- A short Power Point presentation highlighting the key questions, methodology, key findings and recommendations (15 slides maximum)
- Displacement affected communities' and local authorities quotes
- Filled out solutions analysis matrix to be used to fill in and update the [ReDSS online dashboard](#)
- Consultations and 3 Validation workshops in each district with local authorities, municipalities, donors, UN agencies, civil society and displacement affected communities
- A final revised report based on inputs received from stakeholders and technical group composed of ReDSS secretariat and steering committee

Duration of Assignment

The solutions analyses review and update will be conducted in a period of 55 consultancy days.