

## UNESCO Institute for Statistics Consultancy Pacific Region

### 1) Background:

The UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) is working with national education statistics teams to improve the quality of education data in the Pacific in response to the needs identified through national assessments of education data quality in the region. The UIS is supporting countries to develop national strategies for the development of education statistics building on the Education Data Quality Assessment Framework (Ed-DQAF) and other assessments carried out in the region. In this context the UIS is looking for a consultant with solid experience in project management and training delivery, experience in social statistics, as well as a good understanding of the Pacific education context and information systems, the Consultant will be responsible for supporting countries in adopting and designing their National Strategy for the Development of Education Statistics (NSDES) or a Data Quality Improvement Plan which will be contributing to national strategy documents aimed at improving the country response rate and the quality of national, regional and international statistics.

### 2) Objectives:

Under the overall authority of the Director of the UIS and in close collaboration with the Programme Specialist for East Asia and the Pacific and the direct supervision of the Pacific Cluster Advisor, the Consultant will be a resource person for working with the Samoa Ministry of Education through its relevant department/sub-committee/taskforce involved in the education statistics to develop a sector-wide national strategy for education statistics based on national priorities.

### 3) Consultant's tasks:

The consultant shall perform the following tasks:

I- In consultation with the relevant Ministry of Education departments/committees/taskforces, develop a roadmap for the development of a national strategy for education statistics.

II- Working with the relevant ministry of Education departments/committees/taskforces, prepare a draft of the national strategy including a costed data quality improvement plan.

III- Present the national strategy to the Education Sector Working Group for review and comment and finalise draft for Education Sector Advisory Committee endorsement.

IV- Consult with national development partners on funding of proposed activities included in the endorsed Data Quality Improvement plan.

V- In association with the UIS Statistics Adviser, provide relevant technical assistance and capacity building activities as identified in the Data Quality Improvement Plan.

VI- Contribute to the provision, when necessary, of a remote technical advice/assistance to Pacific countries to enable the submission of UIS questionnaires

**4) Deliverables:**

A - Draft of the Samoa roadmap for the development of a national strategy for education statistics

B - Final Draft of the Samoa national strategy for education statistics

C- Report on technical assistance/capacity building activities conducted

**5) Timeline and working arrangement:**

The consultant is expected to work 3 months full time in UNESCO Apia premises. The consultant is expected to regularly hold coordination meetings with the Pacific Cluster Advisor who is the direct technical supervisor. Should it be determined by the UIS that the Consultant is required to travel the costs will be calculated and paid to the Consultant according to UNESCO rules.

**6) Eligibility Criteria:**

**Education:**

University degree with a specialization in statistics, education planning, management of statistical information systems or a closely related discipline (such as demography, economics or mathematics).

**Work Experience:**

At least 4 to 5 years of relevant professional experience in education statistics and project management at the regional or international level.

**Submission Instructions:**

Deadline for submission: 31 August 2017

Send:

(a) An up-to-date curriculum vitae;

(b) A statement indicating how your qualifications and experience make you suitable for the assignment;

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