Expression of Interest (EoI) for the procurement of services

Junior short-term expert to translate and develop elearning lessons of "BT1 Circuits Pneumatiques et Hydrauliques" using Articulate 360 in Arabic language Industrial Mechanics

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General information

a. Brief information on the project

The project "Improving the Quality and Attractiveness of Vocational Education and Training in Lebanon" aims to increasingly align vocational education and training in sectors with sustainable employment potentials with the needs of the Lebanese economy.

Emphasis is placed on improving the partnership between vocational training institutions and the private sector, strengthening human resource capacity in vocational training institutions, and developing practice-oriented training programs. The target groups of the project are young people, unemployed and underemployed adults who want to improve their employment prospects through qualifications relevant to the labor market.

The implementing partner is the Directorate General for Vocational and Technical Education (DGVTE), which lacks capacity at various levels to involve the private sector in vocational education and training. This concerns curriculum development, teacher training and the expansion of practical elements in teaching. The project's advisory approach includes establishing and advising coordination bodies with representatives of the state vocational training sector and company representatives at the macro and steering levels, piloting cooperation models between vocational training institutions and the private sector, systematic human resources development in public vocational training institutions and testing competency-based, modularized training programs as well as digitalizing e-learning lessons for technical theoretical subjects of the promoted TVET programs

b. Context

Background – e-Learning

Considering the stumbling economic situation that is affecting Lebanon at several levels, TVET schools and institutes are not opening on a regular basis and are likely to stay closed for several weeks during the 2023/24 academic year due to teacher strikes.

Based on the experience in e-learning which the GIZ project's ProVTE¹ and VTE4all² have collected and considering that the teaching and learning at distance will be a constant in the future in the form of blended learning, the QuA-VET project started the development of the technical theoretical subjects of **BT1 and BT2** "**Industrial Mechanics**" (الميكانيك الصناعى in e-learning (EL) modality in the French language.

This will ensure that students are receiving the necessary support to access the technical theoretical subjects as e-lessons and that their learning is not interrupted due to the instability in the country. Moreover, the lessons in EL modality will be a support for teachers for in presence lessons, whenever more face-to-face teaching will be taking place.

In order to ensure the equal access of all students enrolled in the BT Industrial Mechanics to the e-learning materials uploaded to the Moodle learning management system, the e-lessons will be translated to and developed in Arabic language, to allow students from different institutes to complete their courses.

Outline of the mission

To assure a consistent level of quality of the content and the flow of the EL courses, an Authoring Software (AS) – *Articulate Rise 360* - has been selected as a tool for the creation of interactive courses and a Learning Management System (LMS) – *Moodle*, which is SCORM compatible and can absorb the courses developed by the content developers contracted through QuA-VET project, has been chosen and used during the delivery of the technical theoretical subjects for the "Industrial Mechanics" during the 2022/23 academic year, for the BT "Bâtiment et Travaux Publics" and BT "General Subjects" under ProVTE and VTE4all projects.

There are 21 content developers trained in Articulate 360 by QuA-VET for inserting up to 900 e-learning lessons (ELLs) of the technical theoretical subjects BT "Industrial Mechanics" for the school years 2022/23 and 2023/24 into Moodle and numerous teachers, administering and monitoring the use of the courses through their students.

In order to translate and develop the ELs, a competent expert is required to translate the second part of the French technical theoretical subject BT1 "Circuits Pneumatiques et Hydrauliques" into Arabic language, and develop it using Articulate 360, according to the criteria set by the project team.

- c. GIZ shall hire the contractor for the anticipated contract term, from 13.11.2023 to 29.03.2024.
 - d. The contractor shall provide the following services:
- Develop up to **30** e-lessons (lesson 31 to 60), of 25 minutes each, of the technical theoretical course BT1 "Circuits Pneumatiques et Hydrauliques" in Arabic language, using Articulate 360: translate and draft the scripts in Arabic language, develop the e-lessons on Rise 360 using the project template, translate and draft the in-lesson knowledge check and end-of-lesson quiz questions.

¹ Practice-Oriented Vocational and Technical Education

² Vocational and Technical Education for All

- Find different visuals (photos, illustrations, and videos) to illustrate the e-lessons, as relevant and appropriate, ensuring permission for their public use.
- Ensure the usage of the correct Arabic and English technical terms and the alignment of the e-lessons with the already developed courses in French language.
- Edit and adjust the e-lessons according to the reviewers' comments and suggestions.
- Apply the right-to-left alignment procedure to the SCORM package and upload the elessons to Moodle learning management system upon the approval of project team.
- Share the deliverables with project team: Arabic scripts, in-lesson and quiz questions, illustrations and SCORM packages.
- Share copies of the developed ELLs on Rise 360 with the project team.
- Participate in training sessions organized by project team.

Tender requirements

1. Qualifications of proposed staff

1.1. Expert 1:

1.1.1. General qualifications

Education:	University or TS, LT or LET degree in Mechanical Engineering, Industrial Mechanics, Mechatronics, or equivalent in a mechanic discipline
	3 years' experience in teaching in TVET the technical theoretical subject of BT1 Circuits Pneumatiques et Hydrauliques and experience in developing e- learning lessons using Articulate 360 authoring tool

1.1.2. Experience in the region/knowledge of the country

5 years of working experience in Lebanon

1.1.3. Language skills

Business fluency in French and Arabic languages

2. Specification of inputs

Fee days	Number of experts	Number of days per expert	Comments
• Translate and develop in Arabic language up to 30 e-learning lessons of BT1 course "Circuits Pneumatiques et Hydrauliques"	1	Up to 8	

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3. Requirements on the format of the tender

Required documents:

- An updated CV in English language.
- The applicant shall submit their CV in PDF format by Friday, 27.10.2023 by 23:59 Beirut Local Time at the latest, to the following email address:
 LB guotation@giz.de

• The subject line of the mail must be clearly marked as follows: *"JSTE to translate and develop e-lessons of BT1 Circuits Pneumatiques et Hydrauliques using Articulate 360"*

• Top 3 shortlisted candidates will be evaluated according to a technical assignment provided by QuA-VET project team.

• If you have questions about this call, please contact us at the following email

(LB_quotation@giz.de). Deadline for questions is 25.10.2023 before 23:59.

4. Option

After the requested tasks have been completed, there is the option of continuing or extending the essential elements of the tasks within the framework of a follow-on assignment. The details are listed below:

1. Nature and scope: Tasks of a similar nature.