

**PSS Consultant**  
**LEGO – Building Back Better Program**

**1. Project Summary**

<b>Project</b>	LEGO – Building Back Better
<b>Implemented by</b>	Right to Play - Lebanon
<b>Project duration</b>	January 2022 – March 2023
<b>Project locations</b>	Beirut
<b>Consultancy Objectives</b>	Assess and adapt the content of 2 resources on Psychosocial Support (PSS) through Play-Based Learning
<b>Methodology</b>	Observational and Qualitative
<b>Consultancy Start and End dates</b>	April – June 2022
<b>Anticipated consultancy report release</b>	June 25, 2022
<b>Submission of application deadline</b>	April 4, 2022

## 2. Background on the organization and the project

Right to Play (RTP) is a global organization committed to improving the lives of children and youth affected by conflict, disease and poverty. Established in 2000, Right to Play has pioneered unique play-based approach to learning and development which focuses on quality education, life skills, health, gender equality, child protection and building peaceful communities.

“LEGO – Building Back Better” is a 15-month project, aiming to improve the mental health and psychosocial wellbeing of children aged 6 to 11 years, living in vulnerable communities, using the power of play through the support of coaches and teen peer supporters from the same communities.

Two resources developed at RTP will be used in this project:

- **Music for Emergencies (M4E),**

M4E consists of a scale-up of a series of music-based interventions, which have been piloted by RTP Lebanon in several iterations since 2018. These music-based interventions (Music for Development, Music for Social Change, Music for Emergencies) had the common aim to improve vulnerable and at-risk adolescents’ life skills and psychosocial wellbeing and help young people to become agents of change in their communities, by advocating and raising awareness about social issues, such as refugee rights, through music.

- **Play and Care Together (PACT),**

PACT was developed by RTP to provide psychosocial support (PSS) through play and peer support. The PACT resource has been piloted, at a small scale, as part of an emergency response project in Lebanon, which was implemented in the aftermath of the Beirut explosion from July to November 2021. A small-scale evaluation of the project found positive results among participants, in terms of improvements in their PSS scores; however, there were important limitations, which will be addressed in this phase.

Both resources aim at improving resilience, life skills and psychosocial skills among participating children and youth, in addition to improving psychosocial wellbeing among peer supporters in the PACT resource.

Coaches and peer supporters will be trained on the mentioned 2 resources, and they will start implementing pilot sessions with children.

### 3. Consultancy Objectives

Right To Play is seeking to procure the services of a consultant, to support the piloting of 2 new PSS resources. The resources will be piloted during the month of May 2022, through 10 sessions with 20 children per resource. The objective of the pilot sessions is to test the 2 resources before moving to the longer-term implementation period that is from August 2022 to March 2023.

The consultant is expected during the pilot phase, to:

- Review the 2 resources
- Observe a total of 14 pilot sessions (7 each resource) through in-person visits
- Conduct key informant interviews and/or focus group discussions with the project team, sample of coaches, and a sample of children
- Share a presentation of the findings with the project team
- Adapt the resources, so they can be used for a long-term intervention.

Resources will be assessed answering the following questions:

- Is the resource age-appropriate? How can it be improved?
- Is the language easy to be understood by children? Is it suitable to the context?
- Is the “facilitator guide” clear to be used by coaches? What are the challenges faced?

### 4. Methodology and scope

The methodology will be a mix of observational and qualitative tools, to use with involved stakeholders in the targeted locations. Each resource will be piloted with 20 children in 3 centers. Anticipated number of working days for the consultancy is **30-40 days**.

### 5. Responsibilities and deliverables of the consultancy

**Submission of proposal:** April 4, 2022

Responsibilities and tasks	Deliverables	Deadline
Review the 2 resources (document review)	--	April 20, 2022
Observe several pilot sessions through in-person visits	Observation notes	May 31, 2022
Conduct key informant interviews and/or focus group discussions with the project team, a sample of coaches, a sample of children	KII and FGD notes	May 31, 2022
Share a presentation of the findings with the project team	Presentation of findings with the team	June 10, 2022
Share recommendations for adaptation of the resources, with the team.	Adaptation of resources	June 25, 2022

## 6. Qualifications of the consultant

A consultant is needed with the following competencies and experience:

- Evidence of experience in working on psychosocial wellbeing and mental health of children, for at least 5 years.
- Proven knowledge and experience in developing resources on PSS;
- Proven knowledge and experience in conducting qualitative research;
- Degree in relevant field (e.g. Psychology, Psychomotricity);
- Strong facilitation skills, particularly with regards to working with vulnerable groups;
- Demonstrated understanding and support of principles of equity, participation and inclusion;
- Good writing skills;
- Fluent spoken and written English and Arabic.

## 7. Proposal submission

Interested Individuals are requested to submit the following documents:

- Detailed Technical Proposal, clearly demonstrating a thorough understanding of these Terms of Reference and giving a brief on the tools to be used in observation and in conducting the qualitative data collection (2 pages maximum);
- Financial proposal (dated and signed) that includes a budget for the expected activities and the per diem for each person involved in USD;
- MOF registration number if available;
- CV of key persons involved and the portfolio of the organization if relevant.

### **Proposal deadline: April 4, 2022**

Kindly submit the proposal with requested documents by April 4, 2022 to Mrs. Mariam Zaytoun, Logistics Officer, at: [mzaytoun@righttoplay.com](mailto:mzaytoun@righttoplay.com) with “**PSS Consultancy**” in the email heading, cc-ing Mr. Kevork Dersarkissian, Logistics Coordinator, at [kdersarkissian@righttoplay.com](mailto:kdersarkissian@righttoplay.com) .

For more clarification regarding the proposal contact Mrs. Mariam Zaytoun.

Incomplete proposals will not be considered, and early submissions are encouraged. While we thank all applicants for their interest, only those selected for interviews will be contacted. Competitive budgets would be considered.

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