
CALL FOR CRIMINOLOGY RESEARCH SUB-PROJECT CONCEPT NOTES

STRENGTHENING THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE IN MONGOLIA

The **International Development Law Organization (IDLO)** is responsible for the management of the Project “Strengthening the Domestic Violence Response in Mongolia”. Domestic violence has become an increasingly burning issue in Mongolia with law enforcement officials reporting a 25 per cent increase of domestic violence cases in the first seven months of 2016 compared to the previous year. The Government of Mongolia has been taking significant legislative and policy steps to improve its response to the issue, including amending the Law to Combat Domestic Violence. The amended Law (2017) assigns certain responsibility of domestic violence crime prevention to justice sector institutions in coordination with other relevant institutions and organizations. Police officers are involved in the risk-assessment exercise, including identifying families at risk of violence, as part of a multidisciplinary response team, and conducting situational risk assessment where violence has happened or is expected to happen. The Prosecutors’ Office has a duty to oversee implementation of the law, including conducting a thorough analysis of the nature and extent of committed crimes, with particular attention to cases when life is lost. Under the 2017 Law, the General Executive Agency of Court Decisions has to carry out mandatory behavior change training to imprisoned perpetrators of domestic violence and, together with the police, coordinate enrollment. To support these efforts, there is need to gain a better understanding of the effects of justice sector actors’ interventions and the efficacy of the mechanisms / resources in place, both in the sense of outcome-oriented justice as well as procedural justice.

This Research Sub-Project aims to increase knowledge and understanding of the consequences and dynamics of criminal and administrative law interventions in domestic violence cases to inform better tailored justice sector domestic violence prevention mechanisms and response in Mongolia.

Specific research questions to be developed on this basis are intended to address the following key aspects:

- identifying specifics of the Mongolian context;
- analyzing relevant institutions’ interventions along the justice chain in criminal and administrative domestic violence cases;
- identifying lessons from current international practices on effective domestic violence prevention programs within the scope of work of justice sector actors; and
- providing greater insight into measures being implemented by justice sector institutions in Mongolia.

Interested candidates are invited to use the standard Sub-Project Concept Note form in accordance with the rules set out in this notice.

Sub-Project Concept Notes shall be sent to: aminiajeva@idlo.int

Deadline: January 19, 2018

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GUIDELINES

1. Type of candidates

Candidates can be NGOs, associations, foundations, think tanks, civil society groups, networks, consortia and academic institutions. Government agencies cannot receive funds directly, but can submit applications if funds will be managed by a third party and implemented in close cooperation with the Government agency. Minimum Requirements:

- legal registration in the country of operation,
- authority to operate a bank account, (if applicable)
- financial reliability – audited financial statements, (if applicable)
- adhere to IDLO and Donor rules and procedure. (if applicable)

2. Duration

The duration of the proposed research shall be for a maximum of 5 months.

3. Budget

The maximum budget for the proposed research is: USD 25,000.

4. Assignment

The candidate is expected to produce an analytical report that addresses the key aspects noted and:

- Provides an overview of current international practices on effective prevention methods for domestic violence performed by justice sector actors;
- Details an overview of the national legal system concerned and applicable legislation / policy / training / programs / statistics;
- Reviews related assessments, studies, and reports noting existing data, practice, and progress;
- Identifies critical issues, gaps and lessons from past and current efforts;
- Provides evidence from both secondary and primary research, which could include, for instance: case / court file review and analysis; case studies and findings from in-depth interviews with perpetrators and survivors of domestic violence as well as key informant interviews;
- Identifies factors contributing to domestic violence crimes and related administrative misdemeanors (violations);
- Recommends practical steps to be taken by justice sector actors to prevent domestic violence at a national level; and
- Provides concrete recommendations on strategic legal and policy directions for policy makers and development agencies.

5. Contracting authority

International Development Law Organisation (IDLO) - <http://www.idlo.int>

TITLE OF THE SUB-PROJECT

Concept Note to the International Development Law Organization

Date: XX/MONTH/201X

Maximum 8 pages

1. CONTEXT AND PROBLEM STATEMENT (max. 1 Page)

Provide an analysis of the problem and gaps that will be addressed by the Research Sub-Project. Clearly state the current context at both the national and local levels, including data, where possible. Briefly overview the main relevant studies and research papers, also ongoing, if possible, on the issue in Mongolia.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE SUB-PROJECT (max. 2 pages)

Provide a description explaining the relevance of the Research Sub-Project and how it will provide added value to the studies discussed in the previous Section. Expand on the central questions being researched and what is significant about the research.

3. METHOD/TECHNIQUES (max. 1 page)

Provide a description of the methodological approach considered most appropriate to study the research questions. Look attentively at elements such as accuracy, reliability, information quality, triangulation, cost, team qualifications, time, etc. Describe how methods will be sequenced and carried out.

4. RESEARCH SAMPLE(S) (max. 1/2 Pages)

Describe the target groups or populations the research is focusing on. Provide an overview on how, linked to the research methods, representative samples will be made.

5. IMPLEMENTING AGENCY(IES) (max. 1/2 Page)

Provide an overall description of the Implementing Partner, including its comparative advantages.

6. DURATION (max. 1/3 page)

Estimate the Sub-Project duration by taking into consideration all relevant factors that might affect its implementation.

7. RESEARCH CHALLENGES AND LIMITATIONS (max. 1/2 page)

Discuss practical challenges anticipated and how they will be addressed. Describe the existing limitations having the greatest potential impact on: (a) the quality of the research and findings; and (b) the ability to effectively answer the research questions. How are these addressed?

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8. RESEARCH QUALITY & ETHICS (max. 1 page)

Assess the possible risks and harm to participants and researchers and the perceived research benefits? What protection/safeguards are needed?

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9. BUDGET

Provide the estimated overall budget of the Sub-Project, by providing descriptions specified costs. Insert additional rows, as needed.

Description	Estimated cost (USD)
TOTAL	

10. CONTACTS

Provide the contact details of the Implementing Partner’s focal points for the proposed Sub-Project.

Organization name	
Full address	
Email	
Fax	
Phone number	
Contact Person	Name, Title