

Results Data Initiative Terms of Reference: Malawi

Description

Development Gateway (DG) seeks a local partner to support logistics, relationship building, and the data gathering for the Results Data Initiative (RDI) in Malawi.

DG seeks a qualified Consultant (individual or company) to carry out the following activities:

- i. foster government/development agency relationships,
- ii. identify data sources and directly obtain data,
- iii. contribute to tool and method design, and
- iv. coordinate outreach and uptake activities.

Responsibilities

Provide one staff member at least half-time for the following activities:

- Identify and obtain sources of financial and results data from government, development partners (DPs), and others;
- Participate in meetings with government, DPs, and other stakeholders;
- Provide technical input to the design of tools and methods to address government needs, and support to other project activities by interviewing users and gathering their requirements and needs; and,
- Coordinate all meetings, logistics, and events/conferences in Malawi.

Provide one senior staff member at least quarter-time for senior guidance, advice, and contributions, including:

- Introducing DG to high-level government or donor officials;
- Attend selected high-level meetings along with the DG team;
- Provide expert advice and guidance to inform the tool and method design and other reports and project outputs; and,
- Where appropriate, attend and speak at meetings or events.

Provide administrative time, as needed, for coordinating and carrying out group meetings and events.

Deliverables

- Facilitate quarterly working group of steering committee (to include senior representatives from central government ministries and local government)
- Data analysis support to government on an as-needed basis
- Frequent outreach and relationship development with development agency and NGO partners.

Timeline

Mid-June 2017 through mid-July 2017, with the prospect of renewal through October 2018.

Background

Over the past year, with support from Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Development Gateway's Results Data Initiative (RDI) explored how local governments and organizations in Ghana, Tanzania, and Sri Lanka collect, share, and use results information. We identified a need to proactively promote and facilitate the use of results data to inform critical development decisions. Country governments struggle to obtain the right results data to inform decisions – and when the right data is available, officials often lack the tools, incentives, and opportunities to inform decisions. At the same time, development agencies call for better internal communication and consumption of results data to inform portfolio-level decisions. With these lessons in mind, our new objective for RDI is to pioneer new approaches, tools, and resources to enhance the influence of results data on development decisions.

To apply:

Send your resume and cover letter to jobs@developmentgateway.org, with "RDI in Malawi" in the subject line.

