

Market consultation

PCB22CO01 - Breast cancer screening baseline and advice for quality assurance and quality control in Colombia.

Organization: The Netherlands Enterprise Agency (RVO)

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Purpose of the market consultation

The purpose of the market consultation is to identify and assess interest of experts available and able to carry out this assignment. So this market consultation is not a request for proposal, it is not allowed to send a proposal or motivational letter.

Extent and duration

The project will run from April 2022 until August 2023.

Budget indication

The maximum budget is EUR 120.600 *including 0% Dutch VAT, including local taxes.*

Purpose of the project

The project enables specialized expert support of a multidisciplinary team on breast cancer screening in Colombia with the elaboration of a detailed baseline assessment of the actual national breast cancer screening programme during the 1st phase. In phase 2, the project aims to strengthen the capacity of public sector by: a) providing advice for the implementation of a standardized quality management system targeting on breast cancer screening targeting private and public providers; and b) training private and public oncology experts to improve the quality of breast cancer screening and diagnosis.

The project also identifies opportunities for further bilateral collaboration between the Netherlands and Colombia in terms of knowledge, technology, innovation, among other.

The project has a positive impact on:

- SDG 8: decent (inclusive and sustainable) work and economic growth
- SDG 3: good health and well-being

The activities are to be executed in two phases:

Phase 1: Baseline:

From 15th April 2022 to 30th October 2022

Phase 2: Quality Assurance and quality control

From: 01st January 2023 to 30th August 2023.

Results

Phase 1:

1.1 One detailed baseline assessment of the actual cancer screening program of Colombia, covering all aspects of quality management in screening:

- Physic-technical quality of the equipment;
- Positioning technique;
- Assessment of screening exam;
- Evaluation data and overall organisation.

1.2 One advisory report of quality assurance and quality control for optimisation of the actual cancer screening program of Colombia. The report will provide tailored recommendations on how

to set up a quality management system in breast cancer screening, taking into account the available capacities. It will also include a proposal for external audits of methods, techniques, processes of breast cancer screening.

1.3 Dissemination of findings and guidance for implementation of the recommendation of advisory report.

Phase 2:

2.1 Specialized support to the INC with the implementation of the quality system within the breast cancer screening programme.

These will include:

- One field visit to Colombia by an expert team of key experts that covers every aspect of the screening process.: medical imaging, physics, epidemiology and breast radiology;
- Five online support sessions every two months by the expert team.

2.2 Short training of four screening radiologists from Colombia on a breast cancer screening course in The Netherlands (one week training).

- Encourage the participation of women.

2.3 A certified technical handout of positioning technique for breast cancer screening in Spanish. To be delivered in PDF format to be used in Colombia and available for local printing.

2.4 One Train of Trainers (ToT) programme for 2 radiographers in Colombia. Characteristics of the training:

- Individual presential training: three times - one week - training in Bogota;
- Attendees coming from public and private organizations;
- The design and implements must be coordinated with the INCC.

Required skills/experience

We expect a contacting partner who:

- Has multidisciplinary experience in the field of medical imaging, physics, and epidemiology.
- Has sound knowledge in quality assurance and quality control of breast cancer screening; quality management system of the screening process; and auditing.
- Has the expertise for training and accreditation of oncology professionals.
- Has working experience with the public and private sector, with experience in the Latin American context.
- Is fluent in English and Spanish languages.
- Flexibility for implementation, considering the international Covid-19 travel restrictions between the Netherlands and Colombia.

Application procedure

Interested companies / consultants are invited to respond if they are interested to Mr. Q. Stoutjesdijk by e-mail quintin.stoutjesdijk@rvo.nl, with a copy to Ms. S. Sánchez Sotomayor, synara.sanchezsotomayor@rvo.nl. Please include your company information and address.

Based on the market consultation, RVO can decide to start a procurement procedure. Interested companies/consultants can be invited to this procedure. Your response to this market consultation does not mean you have the right to be invited to this procurement procedure. In case of a follow-up process, no distinction will be made between parties that have or have not participated in the market consultation.

The deadline for responding to this notification is set at **7th of April 2022, 12.00 AM CET**.

Yours sincerely,

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