

## Women, Peace and Security Expert

Application Deadline 15 Jan. 2024

Type of Contract Individual Contract

Expected Duration of Assignment Feb. 2024 – Jan. 2025

### About PWWSD

Established in 1981, The Palestinian Working Woman Society for Development (PWWSD) is a non-governmental women's, mass, developmental, and learning human rights organization that contributes to developing feminist struggle within national, social, and developmental dimensions. The organization believes that liberating women is connected directly with ending the occupation and establishing a full Palestinian democratic sovereign civil state. PWWSD is active all over West Bank including East Jerusalem, and the Gaza Strip and is an active member in several local, regional, and global networks and coalitions.

The Palestinian Working Woman Society for Development (PWWSD) aims for a free and democratic Palestinian society based on gender equality, respect for human rights and social justice. The organization promotes women empowerment, women's participation in the national struggle against the occupation, women's contribution to the development processes, the entitlement of woman to political, economic and civic rights, women's access to justice and their right to a life free of violence.

PWWSD core function focuses on provision of psychosocial and legal services including group and individual counselling and to provide women with the resources they need to combat gender-based violence, empower themselves politically, economically and socially, and transform their society to one that is inclusive, egalitarian and democratic. PWWSD takes a gender-responsive, rights-based approach, particularly regarding international human rights.

### About the Project

The project "**Muwatinat (Citizens): Enhanced Role of Women in the Public Life and Minimizing Conflicts- Grassroots Approach**", implemented with the support of Women's Peace & Humanitarian Fund, aims at achieving increased meaningful participation and decision-making of women in conflict prevention processes and response, through capacity building, lobbying and media advocacy campaigns, and raising awareness sessions, and guidance for effective interventions.

To this end, PWWSD is seeking to hire a Women, Peace and Security Expert to be working together with a core team to support the implementation of project activities, in accordance with the work plan developed by PWWSD.

Reporting to the project coordinator, the Women, Peace and Security Expert will oversee the development and implementation of the project by prioritizing a comprehensive approach, providing capacity building to all the project staff.

## **Duties and Responsibilities**

### **The expert will undertake the following tasks:**

- Support the mapping of key WPS actors, who may participate in any planned activity.
- Provide Technical advice on strategies and opportunities for building women's participation and influence in conflict prevention, resolution, and peacebuilding, with a particular focus on the implementation of National Women Peace and Security Agenda action plan, strengthening the ongoing collaboration with Peace and security organizations in this area.
- Provide technical support and advice for the PWWSD's programmes and initiatives on peace and security, through strategic partnerships with local organizations and civil society groups.
- Develop technical documents, vision of taking gender into account in the dialogue process and political transition and promote the effective participation of women including participation in elections, and decision-making positions at the national and local levels.
- Advise, support, guide and provide input to ensure the formulation of relevant, high quality, results-based and rights-based peace and security activities and initiatives.
- Review and contribute to the preparation of policy documents, briefs and other strategic papers and materials for use in the development and presentation of a coherent PWWSD perspective on women peace and security (R1325).
- Provide strategic and specialized technical advice to the project team on the development of systems, processes, and mechanisms to support effective project planning, implementation, and monitoring.
- Provide technical support and guidance for women's groups and women peace activists to develop common positions related to peace and security processes affecting Palestine.
- Work closely with the communication team to scale good practices, voices from the field and the needs of refugees, and displaced women in Gaza.
- Build strategic partnerships with key stakeholders, regional organizations, NGOs and core international institutions.
- Supporting the project team in drafting related Terms of Reference, tenders and implementing partner agreements;
- Prepare reports in Arabic and English on a quarterly basis in close coordination and consultation with PWWSD.

## **Educational Background**

- Post-graduate degree in Peace and Security human rights, international relations, international humanitarian action, or other social science fields is required.

## **Required Qualifications**

- At least 4 years progressively responsible work experience in designing and managing programmes on peace, security resilience and humanitarian.

- Experience in in conflict/post-conflict situations and humanitarian settings is required.
- Experience in programme, policy analysis, and strategic planning is required.
- Fluency in written and spoken Arabic and English are required.
- Excellent communication skills, initiative and problem-solving skills;
- Computer literacy with knowledge of the Microsoft Office package;

Interested consultants are required to prepare and submit the following:

- Updated CV of the expert.
- Financial offer: budget breakdown of the proposed costs in \$ including VAT.

Interested candidates are requested to deliver a CV and financial offer per 2-hour event in hands to the PWWSD office in Ramallah, no later than Monday 15.01.2024.