

- I. Title: Next Generation Myanmar Project Consultant
- II. Location: Yangon; with occasional field visits
- III. Duration: Short term (up to 25 days) between July December 2018
- IV. Reporting to: Director of Programmes, British Council Myanmar

V. Context

Next Generation is a series of global British Council research studies focusing on the attitudes and aspirations of young people, and the policies and conditions that support them in becoming creative, fulfilled and active citizens. The research projects examines young people's views in a range of areas such as education, health, employment, and lifestyle, as well as uncovering their hopes and fears for their country, their degree of international engagement and views on the wider world, and the values and beliefs that affect their lives. In countries where we have conducted multiple Next Generation reports, the first acts as an exploratory benchmark, with subsequent reports taking more of a deep dive into a given area, such as democratic engagement or experience of conflict.

The Next Generation programme is part of the British Council's commitment to exploring youth voice and choice, and to putting research at the heart of our programming. The stated aims of the programme are to:

- Understand youth attitudes and aspirations
- Understand space for youth voices, policies and opportunities to exercise their rights
- Amplify youth voice
- Support better youth policy-making, programme delivery and evaluation
- Convene relevant stakeholders
- Creation of platforms for other researchers
- Creation of a platform for strategic alliances and youth led initiatives e.g. around community practice, global connections and youth participation in decision making

The British Council believes it is important to listen to and engage with the young population as they will become the next generation of influencers, leaders and shapers of their countries. The research aims to open platforms for conversations on key questions raised by the findings to support and guide programmatic interventions for organisations focusing on youth. Consultative workshops and policy dialogues with key stakeholders will identify opportunities and provide insight on key themes.

The research project is envisaged to become a guiding resource not only for the funders and participating organisations, but for wider use by those focusing on youth. It will also be the first in a series of such reports, with later publications focusing on other themes emerging from the initial study. The research output will also support international organisations and donors to reference resources according to the local needs and ground realities highlighted by the research.

The first research study, co-funded by the British Council and VSO, is in the field work stage and due to report by July 2018. This funding would allow additional research reports to be commissioned on topics emerging from the exploratory study and/or those of interest to the partners.

Further information on Next Generation can be found at

https://www.britishcouncil.org/society/governance-civil-society/next-generation

VI. Objective of the role

The objective of this short-term role is to provide oversight to provide management inputs to ensure the successful development and dissemination of the Next Generation Myanmar research study.

Key responsibilities

1. Research Project, programme and contract management

Research Design

- Plan, coordinate and execute assigned research projects, through collaboration with project support. staff and contracted implementing research partners. This will include working in partnership with external evaluators.
- Informed engagement with Myanmar Next Generation Task Force to ensure local/youth ownership of the report and to facilitate dissemination.
- Implementation of standard operating procedures and documentation guidelines.
- Identification of areas of improvements and develop new methodologies to meet milestones.

Research Analysis and Reporting

- Analyse and resolve research issues promptly and accurately.
- Analyse collected output and outcome data and prepare reports for internal use and external distribution.
- Track project progress periodically and report findings to management.
- Maintain research database and prepare documentations of research findings.
- Work in compliance with company policies and regulations.

Publication of Research Findings

- Support the development and production of the Next Generation report on Myanmar, proposing effective ways to present research information in an understandable manner.
- Conduct a national forum event in Yangon to review the report, discuss the findings and possible interventions to address the issues highlight.
- Organize up to three regional events to disseminate findings and stimulate debate about regional interventions to implement some of the findings.
- Develop a media plan and stakeholder engagement strategy to ensure the event and the report findings are widely amplified in print, TV and social media for publication, and that dissemination of the findings is thorough and effective.

2. Resource management

- Liaise with staff to perform to ensure consistently high standards in line with the competencies and duties in their job descriptions.
- Feed information gathered upwards to ensure good functioning of performance management procedures and support for professional development.

VII. Application Process

To apply, prospective individual consultants are requested to send an application letter and CV by email to: <u>mimimyo.win@mm.britishcouncil.org</u> copied to <u>nawmoomoo.paw@mm.britishcouncil.org</u>

Closing date for applications is **Sunday 1st July 2018.**

It is expected that shortlisted candidates will be invited for interview in the first week of July.