Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development
FORUM-ASIA
Asian Solidarity and Human Rights for All

Terms of Reference

Enhancement of an Online Interactive Mapping Mechanism to Highlight Repressive Laws

1. Background

The Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA) was founded in 1991 with the mission to strengthen movements for human rights and sustainable development through advocacy, capacity development, solidarity actions with human rights defenders and civil society organisations. It is a membership-based non-governmental organisation with 67 members in 21 countries and in Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). In addition, FORUM-ASIA received AICHR consultative status in 2017.

FORUM-ASIA envisions societies in Asia and beyond which are democratic, just, equitable and sustainable, where all human rights of all individuals, groups, and peoples are fully realised, in accordance with international human rights standards and norms.

On December 2018, FORUM-ASIA published 'Instruments of Repression: A Report on Repressive Laws in Asia'. The report highlighted the situation of freedoms of expression, peaceful assembly and association, and the situation of human rights defenders in twenty countries.

As a follow up to this, FORUM-ASIA will monitor developments on repressive laws and CSO efforts through an [interactive map](). With the Terms of Reference (ToR), FORUM-ASIA seeks to engage an **external IT consultant** to lead on the updating and revising the website backend to ensure a user-friendly, and engaging frontend interface.

2. Objective

The objective of this assignment is:

- To revise and update the FORUM-ASIA interactive map's backend to have a fully functional, easily customisable interactive online map which will highlight developments on repressive laws

3. Duration

The review will take place from **February 10 to March 10 2019**. The actual duration for the review will be **(15) (fifteen) working days** for the sum amount of 2,000 USD as remuneration. The full amount will be paid once the IT expert has satisfactorily complied with all the requirements.

4. Deliverables

The consultancy will have following output-related deliverables:

- An interactive, easily updated online map, developed in coordination with the team, which allows for the smooth uploading and transfer of data.
- A short, user-friendly manual with instructions on using and altering the webpage, as well as troubleshooting options.
- Delivery of a knowledge sharing / tutorial session on the use of the map
- Troubleshooting support, if needed.

The IT consultant is expected to:

- Update and revise the website backend following instructions from the team.
- Participate in agreed check-ins with the team and share progress throughout the duration of contract.
- Submit a guideline to utilize the backend and inserting content of the interactive map.
- Conduct an in-person or Skype session with the team to transfer knowledge on the use of the interactive map.

5. Expertise

It is essential that the IT consultant has advanced JavaScript, CSS, and HTML skills. Samples of previous work will be required from candidates. Knowledge on human rights, international politics, and / or experience with CSOs are desirable.