



TO BE GIVEN TO CONSULTANT

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Name of Consultant: **Rafkat Hasanov**

Requesting Office: UNECE Statistical Division

1. Objectives and Targets (Specific Functions of Consultant)

The consultant will develop a model set of survey questions for collecting poverty data by national statistical offices of CIS countries. The use of this model set will bring poverty statistics from these countries in line with international standards and improve their comparability. The model survey questions should address essential needs for poverty measurement, including those necessary for the poverty indicators for monitoring SDGs. The set of questions should measure expenditures, income and deprivations. The consultant's report should explain the considerations in selecting the criteria for the model set of survey questions and rely on the analysis of poverty-related questions in household surveys of CIS countries.

The consultant will compile technical guidelines on the implementation of the model survey questions, and on the computation of derived variables based on the proposed questions and various poverty thresholds.

The consultant will interact with the statisticians responsible for poverty statistics and household surveys in CIS countries, to ensure that national practice is adequately considered in the work and the outputs are applicable to the countries' context.

The work is carried out under the project "Strengthening statistical capacity for producing comparable and reliable poverty indicators for monitoring of the sustainable development in CIS countries".

2. Tangible and measurable outputs of the work assignment:

Report containing the model set of survey questions, rationale for selecting the questions, and the technical guidelines for their use in a survey.

3. Schedule of the work delivery and payments

The consultancy is for the period from 15 March to 30 June 2017 for the total fee of U.S.\$ 5,100.

The consultant will deliver the draft set of survey questions by 28 April. This draft will be circulated in May for electronic consultation among poverty statistics focal points in CIS countries. Based on the comments received in the consultation, the consultant will edit the model set of questions and finalize the technical guidelines by 30 June.

The lump sum payment of U.S.\$ 5,100 will be made upon the delivery of the report, by 30 June 2017.

4. Performance Indicators

- The model questions suit well for application in household surveys and capture essential data for poverty measurement
- The technical guidelines are of high quality and with practical focus
- Respecting the delivery deadlines