

# **University of Colombo**

# FACULTY OF ARTS AHEAD PROJECT

#### **Consultancy announcement for Pedagogical Expert** (AHEAD/RA2/ELTALESE/COL/FoA/CON/5 (AHEAD/RA2/ELTAELSE/COL/FoA/CON/TOR 5)

The University of Colombo will entertain applications from suitably qualified persons for the above post up to 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2020.

# Terms of Reference.

### 1. Background of the project

The development of the higher education sector is of central importance to enable Sri Lanka to make the transition from a Lower-Middle Income Country (LMIC) to an Upper Middle-Income Country (UMIC). Recognizing this, the Government of Sri Lanka (GoSL) and the World Bank have agreed to support the higher education sector through a Bank funded Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development (AHEAD) operation.

The Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development (AHEAD) operation is organized in two components. The first is a Program Component that supports the national Higher Education Development Program. The second is a Systems Strengthening, Capacity Building and Technical Assistance Component that will assist the GoSL to strengthen the higher education sector and achieve the objectives of the AHEAD Program Component. It will also cover monitoring and evaluation, policy analysis, program coordination and communication.

The Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo, aims introducing educational technologies to the university environment by adopting Blended Learning tools and techniques into teaching, learning, and assessment practices.

#### 1. Objectives

Evaluate and provide recommendations to improve curriculum planning and teaching methods aiming at integrating blended learning (in consultation with the teacher and content developer).

### 2. Key Tasks/ Activities

- 1. Collaborate with Lecturers to adjust and design coursework, evaluation/testing and classroom organization strategies.
- 2. Evaluate and provide recommendations to improve curriculum planning and teaching methods.
- 3. Assist creating Course curricula, Lesson plans and improving class room technologies.

#### 3. Deliverables

- 1. Make available 30 working hours for academic teachers to develop their curriculum for integrating blended learning
- 2. Closely coordinate with teachers and content developer

#### 4. Duration

3 months from signing of contract up to the end of 2020

#### 5. Required Education Qualifications and Experience

- 1. Master's degree in education or related.
- 2. 10 or more years of relevant experience working with private sector on corporateuniversity job-focused training.
- 3. Demonstrated ability to design and align curriculum and assessment materials.
- 4. Ability to design novel pedagogical strategies to deliver improved outcomes.
- 5. Demonstrated ability to coordinate a team of curriculum developers and workforce needs experts to maintain the quality and consistency of curricular materials produced.
- 6. Demonstrated knowledge and experience with research on pedagogical strategies and curriculum practices.

#### 6. Method of Selection

The consultant will be shortlisted respective to their qualifications and be selected on the basis of their performance at the interview.

#### 7. Total payment and method of payment

A total payment of LKR 180,000.00 disbursed on completion of deliverables as follows:

- 1. 20% upon signing of the contract
- 2. Balance 80% upon completion of the consultancy

#### **Instructions for Application**

Candidates who are interested are invited to submit their Curriculum Vitae under registered cover to reach the Coordinator, AHEAD Project Office, Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo, No. 94, Cumaratunga Munidasa Mawatha, Colombo 03, or email your CV to arts@ahead.cmb.ac.lk, on or before 14th of February 2020.

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