

1. Requesting Organization

Name: ACD / Action pour le Civisme et la Démocratie
Address: Ouagadougou 03 Burkina Faso

Describe the role/mandate of the organization

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Other pertinent information:

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Field of activity:

- Promotion of a responsible attitude for environment;
- Promotion of citizenship;
- Promotion of human rights.

Assignment Terms of Reference

2.a. Assignment title: Advisor in advocacy for environment

2.b. Preamble :

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Detailed Terms of Reference (Please describe in as much detail as possible the services required from the University Volunteer(s) and how their contribution will fit into the organization's plans.)

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ACD asks for **2 UNITEs Volunteers** to help CSOs and the population at large to achieve the **Millennium Development Goal 7** through environment advocacy campaigns.

Under the supervision of the President of ACD and in close collaboration with the Environment Unit of the UNDP Burkina Faso, both volunteers would be in charge of :

- Taking part in the definition of the environment advocacy campaign of ACD, in partnership with other CSOs involved in environment (the UNV Programme is currently making a census of CSOs dedicated to Environment for the UNDP Environment Unit.)
- Supporting the networking of CSOs dedicated to Environment.
- Supporting the implementation of the environment advocacy campaign following the advices of the UNDP Environment Unit; actions will be implemented next to the government to ask for the monitoring of the implementation of international conventions, as well as next to the population at large to increase the awareness of adopting a responsible attitude to protect the environment.
- Defining indicators to monitor the results of the advocacy campaign.
- Strengthening capacities of the team of ACD in charge of environment advocacy campaign in order that they can go on the campaign (training on environment issues, advisory in methodology as for advocacy campaigns)
- Creating or supervising the creation of a website specifically about the environment advocacy campaign for the CSOs network.

The main result of the 2 volunteers will be to have launched a sustainable advocacy campaign for environment, in response to the Environment Unit of the UNDP Burkina Faso which expects CSOs to be more active in advocacy and lobby.

The specific results for that will be to have done capacity building to the volunteers of ACD and their partners: training on environment issues, methodology in advocacy campaign, and definition of indicators to monitor the impacts of advocacy campaigns.

2.d. Support is requested in the following fields:

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other cont.:

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2.e. Is your organization assisted/funded by other organizations/companies:

UNDP, UN High Commissariat for Human Rights, Canadian Cooperation, Burkinabe Ministry for Human Rights, Burkinabe Ministry of Environment, Permanent Secretariat of the CONEDD (National Council for Environment and Sustainable Development).

2.f. Detailed description of the tasks to be carried out by the University Volunteer:

2.g. Assignment target (i.e. capacity building impact): to improve advocacy actions in environment with CSOs in Burkina Faso through a better training of CSOs members on environment issues, the way of organizing an advocacy campaign, communication events, etc.

2.h. Required Volunteer qualification: 2 volunteers specialist in Environment (Master)

2.i. Qualification Requirements:

- a) Education: Master in Environment
- b) Languages: French (and English to read international documents)
- c) Specific ICT skills: Word, Excel (creation of website would be an asset but not mandatory)
- d) Software acquainted with:
- e) Additional skills/experiences: Students who already have an experience in environment advocacy actions would be appreciated.

2.j. Number of volunteers needed: 2 volunteers

2.k. Location of assignment: Ouagadougou, capital of Burkina Faso

2.l. Planned start of assignment: about September 2007

2.m. Type of accommodation¹ for the volunteer: volunteers can rent a furnished apartment, or a house on their own or share a house with other volunteers.

2.n. Approximate costs per month: about 460 € per month for a residence that is cleared by the UN Security Officer and includes security provision.

2.o. Means of local transport for the volunteer: it's advised to buy or to rent a motorbike, if not by bicycle, bus or taxi

2.p. What other facilities will be offered to the University Volunteer (s)?

Type of accommodation available:

Approximate cost of available accommodation: 450 Euros/month

Security provision and approximate costs: Cape Verde is on phase security 0, meaning the situation as assessed by the UN Security Officer is regular and there is no particular concern. The locks of doors cost around 70 euros. Other security measures are already in place.

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Means of local transport for the volunteer: Project car

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Participate in extra activities carried out by the Association all related with environment and nature.

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Visa requirements: The volunteers will need a visa for Burkina Faso (around 15 €).

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