<div align="center">**Contract Solicitation – Corruption Literature Review**</div>

Overview

IRI is looking for a researcher familiar with the academic literature on corruption/anti-corruption to produce a literature and evidence review on heterogeneous experiences of corruption. To submit a proposal, please email chazbun@iri.org and psharma@iri.org by November 18, 2022.

Scope of Work:

The contractor will work with IRI's Evaluation and Research team to produce a literature and evidence review on heterogeneous experiences of corruption. The literature review will inform IRI's research on how people living in a particular context perceive and experience corruption. IRI's research seeks to gather evidence on how people who are most distant from political and economic power as well as those that are in the proximity of political and economic power perceive and experience corruption in three case studies (countries TBD). In gathering this granular understanding of corruption from the perspective of those who are most vulnerable to it, the project will seek to address the underlying incentives that predispose people to corruption. This nuanced and context-dependent understanding of corruption will feed into the broad ambition outlined for the US strategy on countering corruption, sharpen its focus, and inform its implementation in challenging contexts.

The objective of this literature review is to summarize existing research on differing experiences, perceptions, and definitions of corruption from various viewpoints in societies. Additionally, the review will synthesize the predominant narratives and definitions advanced by international NGO anti-corruption programming, and how they complement or differ from local perspectives.

To this end, the final product should be a fully cited document (under 10 pages; not including endnotes) summarizing major debates, and any areas of consensus, in the academic and gray literatures answering the following questions:

1. What are the different ways in which corruption is traditionally defined in scholarly and policy literature?
2. Are there studies/reports that engage with local experiences and perspectives on corruption? In what ways do they define corruption from grassroots perspectives?
3. How do the definitions and perceptions of corruption differ among the different stakeholders and socioeconomic groups within a social/political context?
    a. What methodological approaches have been used to research these issues?
4. What are the key approaches used by international development program implementers in their anti-corruption programs?
    a. What narratives about corruption have international development implementers advanced/promoted through programming?
5. What are the synergies and differences between local perceptions and priorities around corruption, and the ways corruption is addressed in international NGO programming?

Estimated timeline:

Week of November 21: Literature Review Kick-Off

Week of December 5: Draft of Findings for Questions 1-3 + Meeting to Discuss

Week of December 19: Draft of Findings for Questions 4-5 + Meeting to Discuss

Week of January 2: Completed Literature Review + Meeting to Discuss

Payment Amount and Terms:

Fixed price:

Deliverables	Unit Type	Unit Price	Number of Units	Payment Amount
Draft Findings for Questions 1-3	Written Document		1	
Draft Findings for Questions 4-5	Written Document		1	
Final Complete Draft of Literature Review	Written Document		1	
TOTAL				

Technical Bid:

All bids submitted to IRI must include:

1. Experience - Information addressing your experience in providing the services identified in the above Statement of Work and your proposed specific approach for providing those services to IRI under this contract, including sufficient information to determine a clear definition of services as it relates to other providers that may be involved.

2. Contact Information - The name, address, email address, and telephone of the bidder.

3. All bids must be prepared in English, Times New Roman, font size 12.

4. Attachment requirements:

- CV/Resume
- Cover letter
- Proposed payment amounts formatted in the table above