

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

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<b>Role:</b>	Smart and Electric Mobility Consultant, UN-Habitat
<b>Duration of Assignment:</b>	6 months
<b>Starting date:</b>	15 April 2026
<b>Duty Station:</b>	Kenya

### Background

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The United Nations Human Settlements Programme, UN-Habitat, is mandated by the UN-General Assembly to promote socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities with the goal of providing adequate shelter for all. UN-Habitat works with varied partners including cities, central governments, local authorities, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector in the implementation of the Habitat Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in particular, Goal 11 of “*Making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable*”.

As cities around the world rapidly urbanizing, they are increasingly facing urban mobility challenges key among them traffic congestion, pollution and road traffic crashes. The transport sector also significantly contributes to global energy related carbon emissions. Public transport comprising efficient bus systems, trams, metros and non-motorised mobility such as walking, and cycling are emerging an ideal mix to curb the growing urban transport challenges and meet the transport needs of citizens. UN-Habitat collaborates with governments at city, regional and national levels on development and implementation of policy, guides and tools for sustainable urban mobility; provides technical support for development of effective transport systems and supports knowledge, advocacy and capacity building.

The consultancy position is in the Urban Mobility team under the Urban Basic Services Section of UN-Habitat. The consultant will provide technical advice and policy support to cities on sustainable and innovative mobility; coordinate project activities on road safety, undertake research on emerging urban mobility issues, and support the development of project proposals to expand the portfolio.

Under the UN Road Safety Fund (UNRSF) supported project “Global Alliance of Cities for Road Safety (ACROS)”, which aims to establish to provide capacity building and technical assistance on all five pillars of the Safe Systems approach, the consultant will support the secretariat’s activities and well as innovation challenges and the implementation of pilot initiatives. UN-Habitat is furthermore supporting the implementation of the Pan-African Action Plan for Active Mobility and its roll-out in five African Countries. The consultant will coordinate capacity building activities and city exchanges planned under the UN Development Account Funded projects.

Furthermore, UN-Habitat is embarking on a new project titled “Port of Dar es Salaam - Transport and Trade improvement project (PORTZA)” aiming at enhancing trade and transport efficiency in key economic sectors in Tanzania to promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

UN-Habitat is also working on a project called “ACCESS – Accelerating Access to Low Carbon Urban Mobility Solutions through digitalization” with the aim to measurably reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transport sector in urban areas in six Latin American countries. The consultant will support its implementation in Ecuador and Argentina.

## Objectives of Assignment

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The objective of the assignment is to support efforts of UN-Habitat under the above-mentioned projects to promote sustainable, smart and electric mobility, resulting in improved policies and investment decisions by partner cities.

## Supervision and Reporting

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The Consultant will work under the overall supervision of the Coordinator of the Urban Basic Services Section, and in close collaboration with the thematic team on mobility - reporting to the Programme Management Officer, Lead, Urban Mobility.

## Responsibilities and Tasks

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The consultant will assist the work of the Urban Mobility Team in the Urban Basic Services Section by providing the following:

- Activity 1: Support setting-up and implementation of the PORTZA project;
- Activity 2: Strengthen multi-stakeholder partnerships by coordinating engagement with government institutions, development partners, private sector actors, and innovation stakeholders.
- Activity 3: Support the development of investment and funding proposals on low carbon and resilient transport in collaboration with Regional and Country Offices
- Activity 4: Provide policy support and technical assistance to partners in Tanzania under the PORTZA project, including the development of local and national policy frameworks impacting sustainable mobility.
- Activity 5: Provide capacity building support to national and local partners in Tanzania to enable implementation of electric mobility and sustainable transport solutions.

## Time and Cost Implications

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Time and cost implications of this assignment are presented below:

	<b>Main Task Categories<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Time (days)</b>	<b>Reports</b>
0.	Activity 0: Develop Inception Report & Work Plan	2	Output 0: Inception Report & Work Plan
1.	Activity 1: Support the project management and implementation of the PORTZA project	33	Output 1.1: PORTZA project progress reports
2.	Activity 2: Strengthen multi-stakeholder partnerships by coordinating engagement with government institutions, development partners, private sector actors, and innovation stakeholders.	22	Output 1.2 Strengthened multi-stakeholder coordination platforms and workshop reports
3.	Activity 3: Support the development of investment and funding proposals on low carbon and resilient transport in collaboration with Regional and Country Offices	31	Output 1.3: Funding Concepts and Proposals
4.	Activity 4: Provide policy support and technical assistance to partners in Tanzania under the PORTZA project, including the development of local and	22	Output 1.4: PORTZA policy papers and capacity building materials

	national policy frameworks impacting sustainable mobility.		
5.	Activity 5: Provide capacity building support to national and local partners in Tanzania to enable implementation of electric mobility and sustainable transport solutions.	22	Output 1.5 Training and Event Reports
	TOTAL	132	

In addition to the reports indicated above, the consultant is required to submit brief monthly reports on progress and updates as requested (time requirements are included in the table above)

Total input: 132 Days

### **Payments**

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The Consultant will prepare an inception report within one week of contract signing. This will outline a broad plan of activities over the period of the assignment. Payments will be made based on reports and milestones:

### **Qualifications**

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- ✓ Advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in ICT4D, Computer Science, Business Information Technology, Electrical Engineering, International Development, Urban planning, or a related field; A first-level university degree in combination with qualifying experience may be accepted instead of the advanced university degree.
- ✓ At least 5 years of relevant work experience. Experience from the ICT or smart cities development is an asset.
- ✓ Good project cycle coordination and management skills covering project design, implementation and monitoring.
- ✓ An understanding of urban planning, urban development, urban policy and legislation and sustainable urbanisation. Knowledge of smart cities, ICT4D projects, or urban indicators is an asset.
- ✓ Excellent analytical and communication skills.
- ✓ Good interpersonal skills, previous exposure to cross cultural environments is advantageous.
- ✓ Knowledge of International Organisations, including working experience in urban projects is an asset;
- ✓ Fluency in English, written and verbal, is required.

### **Duration of the Assignment**

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Six (6) months: The consultant will be contracted for a period of 6 months starting 15 April 2026 to 14 October 2026.

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