



Request for Proposals Legal Research Consultant

Legal research with the focus on sexual exploitation of children in the context of travel and tourism in Germany, including the extra-territorial effects of German Due Diligence Law

Period Jan-March 2022

Estimated work load: 10 working days

ORGANISATIONAL CONTEXT

ECPAT International is a global network of organisations working together for the elimination of the sexual exploitation of children (SEC) in all its manifestations i.e. exploitation of children in prostitution, online child sexual exploitation, sale and trafficking of children for sexual purposes, sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism and some forms of child, early and forced marriage. The ECPAT Network currently consists of 122 members working at national and local levels in 104 countries.

BACKGROUND

ECPAT International developed a 24-point [legal checklist](#) that has been composed for governments with suggestions for legal interventions they may consider to adopt – if they have not done so already – to improve their national legal frameworks to address the sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism along with its online elements more effectively. The legal checklist has been used to conduct [country legal analysis](#) in various countries (for reference see [Ethiopia – Legal Checklist: Key Legal Interventions to Protect Children from Sexual Exploitation in Travel and Tourism](#)). The results of the national assessments using the legal checklist serve as a baseline and indicate the status of implementation of the legal interventions in the selected countries.

These national assessments are used within the current project “Developing travel & tourism with child protection in focus for a sustainable post COVID-19 pandemic recovery” for lobby and advocacy with national governments in Asia, Africa and Latin America to improve legal frameworks and enhance international cooperation, in particular with Germany, to protect children from sexual exploitation in the context of travel in tourism, with its online elements.

A parallel legal analysis based on all the 24-points of the legal checklist is to be developed also for Germany, as a country partnering in the project. In particular, the legal checklist point no. 14 urges governments to ensure the liability of travel and tourism businesses in operations and supply chains for criminal conduct. Germany recently approved a [Supply Chain Act](#) (Lieferkettengesetz) that will apply as of 2023 for companies with a workforce of at least 3000 and later to companies with a workforce of at least 1,000. An analysis of the existing German laws and policies related to child protection in travel and tourism, along with the extraterritorial effects of the Supply Chain Acts is necessary to improve cooperation with destination countries in which German companies operate.

Therefore, ECPAT International seeks a consultant to **conduct a country legal analysis for Germany** based on the 24 points of the legal checklist, accompanied by an in-depth **analysis of extra-territorial effects of the German Supply Chain Act** across value chains in relation to the sexual exploitation of children in the destination countries.



OBJECTIVES OF CONSULTANCY:

ECPAT International is seeking a consultant to:

- Review the existing **German legal and policy frameworks** concerning the protection of children from sexual exploitation in travel and tourism with its online elements – the analysis is to be based on the 24-points of the [Legal Checklist](#) and its [Assessment Matrix](#) (for reference see the existing [country analysis](#) for project focus countries).
- Complement the above country legal analysis (point no. 14) with an **assessment of the extraterritorial effects of German Supply Chain Act** to explain how the Act can help ensure the liability of the travel and tourism business in relation to sexual exploitation of children.

DELIVERABLES

The consultant is expected to:

- Participate in an inception meeting with ECPAT Germany and ECPAT International
- Provide a work plan with dates for deliverables for agreement with ECPAT International
- Develop a legal analysis (in German) covering the 24 points of the legal checklist with an additional analysis in relation to the point no. 14 of the legal checklist assessing the extraterritorial effects of German Supply Chain Act
- Deliver the final two documents after incorporation of feedback from ECPAT Germany and ECPAT International (delivery date to be agreed in work plan)

TIMEFRAME & REMUNERATION:

- It is expected that this short-term consultancy will require up to 10 working days over a period of January – Mid-March 2022.

CONSULTANT PROFILE

- Advanced degree in law
- Track record of experience in legal research
- Knowledge on child sexual exploitation and abuse and business and human rights
- Excellent writing skills in German, and excellent knowledge of English

MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS

The Consultant will report to the Head of Programme at ECPAT International and work in collaboration with a consultant from ECPAT Germany.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- This is a home-based position, using own equipment and communication tools; for communication purpose the consultant should be regularly available online during hours agreed with the project coordinator.
- The Consultant is expected to act at all times in a manner consistent with the values of ECPAT International and in compliance with the organisation's policies and procedures including Child Safeguarding Policy and the Staff Code of Conduct (including signing the ECPAT Code of Conduct).



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Please send **CV** and a **short cover email including expected daily rate** in EURO to: vacancy@ecpat.org no later than 20 January 2022.

Mention in the subject header: your name and "Legal research Germany".