

# Call for tender: Mapping of think tanks and public policy institutes working on the topic of integration, inclusion, and questions regarding immigration societies

### **Terms of Reference**

The Robert Bosch Stiftung seeks to contract an organization or an individual to deliver an international mapping of think tanks that focus on the topics of "integration, inclusion, and questions regarding immigration societies".

# **Background**

The Robert Bosch Stiftung (RBSG) is one of Europe's largest foundations associated with a private company. It is non-partisan, operational and grant-making. Based on the legacy of its founder, the Robert Bosch Stiftung is active in the areas of health, education and global issues.

In 2020 RBSG adopted a new strategy within the topic "immigration society". The understanding of an immigration society is that it includes everyone, living in it. RBSG aims to shape local social life in an inclusive manner, taking into account the needs, perspectives, and potential of all – regardless of religious beliefs or origin. RBSG deals with integration and inclusion of newcomers and people with a so-called migration background, as well as more general aspects related to societies that are becoming more diverse in terms of culture, religion, and ethnicity. Doing so, RBSG considers immigration societies worldwide. The "Immigration Society" team concentrates exclusively on living together within societies (and does not, for example, work on flight and displacement). A further description of RBGS's approach can be found here: <a href="https://www.bosch-stiftung.de/en/theme/immigration-society">https://www.bosch-stiftung.de/en/theme/immigration-society</a>

## Purpose and scope of work

The contractor will deliver an international mapping of the most relevant think tanks and public policy institutes that work on the topic defined above. Each listed organization should be described in detail based on categories defined in exchange with the foundation. In terms of a mixed-method approach, in addition to a quantitative presentation (e.g. a table with a broad overview of the sector), an in-depth qualitative description of the ten most relevant actors is desired.

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The mapping's purpose is to provide the department with an encompassing overview of the sector which will serve as a basis for the development of future partnerships.

Specific questions that mapping should include are:

- In terms of outreach and impact-orientation what are the most relevant think thanks and public policy institutes working in the field?
- How do think tanks and public policy institutes define integration, inclusion, or immigration societies?
- Do they draw a line between migration on the one hand and integration and inclusion on the other hand? How?
- Are the think tanks monothematic or do they cover a wider range of related topics (such as migration, diversity, or inequality)?
- Is there a regional focus and, do the think tanks cover just one country or a wider range of countries?
- What aspects of integration and inclusion are of particular importance to their work? Do they focus on specific areas (e.g. education, housing, access to work, political participation...) or groups within societies of immigration (e.g. newcomers, former generations of immigration, specific ethnic, religious or cultural groups...)?
- Do they point out specific needs when it comes to integration and inclusion?

# Time frame

The results should be delivered by May 2nd, 2022. Significant preliminary results should be delivered by April 22nd, 2022. Reporting calls between the contractor and RBSG will be agreed upon in regular intervals.

## Qualifications

The contractor shall possess the following minimum qualifications:

- In-depth understanding of the international think tank sector's relevance, history, challenges and trends,
- Proven track record in cooperation with or professional experience in think tanks,
- Professional network in the international think tank sector,
- Interdisciplinary mindset,
- Structured and analytical working method,
- Ability to meet tight deadlines,
- Availability within the next months, with the deadline for the mapping May 2nd, 2022.



# **Expression of Interest**

Organizations or individuals who meet the qualifications, skills and requirements mentioned above should submit an expression of interest (EoI) that includes the following components:

- Curriculum Vitae / statement of previous relevant experience of each person on the contractor's team
- Profile of contracted organization (if relevant)
- Short cover letter incl. your suggested approach of fulfilling the assignment, incl. detailed work plan and related budget, assigning number of hours / days per person to each deliverable proposed.

Please send your Eol or any questions you may have to Dr. Ferdinand Mirbach (Ferdinand.mirbach@bosch-stiftung.de). All documents are welcome in English or in German.

Deadline for submitting the Eol: March 21, 2022.