



Call for Investigative Journalists

Are you an investigative journalist that is well versed with Uganda's Local Government structure and practice, interested in breaking new ground and exposing wrongdoing? How conversant are you with governance, accountability and transparency issues at the local government level?

The Centre for Policy Analysis (CEPA), under its Parliament Watch Uganda Program is looking for self driven, experienced and exceptional journalists to carry out and publish in-depth comprehensive, well researched and easy to read articles on local government accountability drawing insight from Volume 3 of the Auditor General's Report 2015. (Local Government)

The Office of the Auditor General (OAG) is the Supreme Audit Institution of Uganda (SAI). The Constitution specifically mandates the Auditor General to audit and report on the public accounts of Uganda and to further conduct Financial and Value for Money audits in respect of any project involving public funds. The OAG is one of the fundamental institutions that are critical in combating corruption in Uganda. Every financial year the Auditor General's report highlights areas of concern and offers recommendations to different state actors on how to improve financial management.

CEPA believes an efficient and effective use of the reports from OAG could have a significant impact on improving local government accountability, reducing corruption, and promoting better service delivery.

The objectives of this call include:

- Promoting the findings of the OAG report.
- Unveiling how Local Government service delivery is affected by the queries raised in the OAG report.
- Show Parliament's importance in reviewing OAG reports to enable other stakeholders to take timely action on corruption issues.

Investigative articles under this call shall focus on critical queries as raised by the Auditor General in FY 2014/15. These are; Procurement anomalies, Understaffing, under collection of local revenue, shoddy works/incomplete projects, outstanding receivables and Non Remittance of shared local revenue, lack of land titles and unspent balances.

Investigative grants from this call typically cover out-of-pocket expenses such as travel and small stipends may be considered as a part of the grant.

How to Apply

Interested journalists should;

1. Submit a short concept of not more than 800 words, detailing the scope of research to info@cepa.or.ug not later than 30th September 2016.
2. Submit a Current CV
3. Attach images or submit links as evidence of having previously published investigative features.

The concept submitted should answer the following questions:

1. What's the investigative area?
2. Why is it important?
3. How is the story different from what has already been reported?
4. Who are your target interviewees and how do they relate to the topic of interest?
5. What methodology do you intend to use?

Selected journalists will be notified within a week of submission of concepts.

Note: Selected journalists **MUST** ensure that their articles are published by any local, international broadcast/print media house.

For Any Inquiries or Questions Please Contact

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