1. Background

Saferworld is an independent non-governmental organisation that works internationally with governments, international/regional organisations and local civil society - especially in fragile contexts - to prevent violent conflict and contribute to long term recovery and stability. Since its establishment in 1989, we have been active internationally to encourage the development and implementation of international policies and approaches to address violent conflict and insecurity, and have made significant progress on a range of conflict prevention issues, including, promoting effective and accountable security and justice sector development and supporting initiatives to tackle small arms and light weapons control. In the context of conflict prevention, we focus on community safety and security promotion; the development of civil society actors to engage on security and justice issues; and the promotion of greater accountability in the sector more generally. This includes greater awareness and observance to the gender dimension of peace and security initiatives. We also address the design and impact of international aid in fragile and conflict affected regions.

Saferworld’s Middle East North Africa (MENA) Programme, established in 2011, focuses on three target countries: Egypt, Libya and Yemen. The three country programmes are at different stages of development with Libya being the newest country Saferworld is engaging in within the region. Saferworld is implementing a regional project to strengthen women’s public voice in Egypt, Libya and Yemen, in partnership with organisations in those three countries. Saferworld is also continuing its on-going scoping assessment of Libya to determine what the key conflict issues are (drivers, triggers, actors, dynamics), what efforts there are to address these and what value added Saferworld can bring to conflict prevention and peacebuilding in Libya, in line with the organisation’s vision, mission and thematic objectives.

The next stage of the scoping process is to produce a conflict analysis to ensure we have a more in-depth understanding of the context and the conflict dynamics as well as identifying where Saferworld may be able to contribute in accordance with its thematic areas of expertise: security and justice sector development; conventional arms control; aid and conflict; and, governance and peacebuilding (please see www.saferworld.org.uk for more detailed information on these thematic issues).
Saferworld aims to be conflict and gender sensitive in all that it does and regularly undertakes conflict analyses in countries where it works and is conducting scoping assessments. These analyses underpin our work, informing our country strategies and engagement. The development of a programme in/on Libya intends to be complimentary to the efforts of other stakeholders working on conflict prevention, peacebuilding, security sector reform (SSR) and development. For more information on Saferworld, please visit www.saferworld.org.uk.

2. Specific tasks and objectives

The goal of the task is to produce a Libya conflict analysis, based on existing and available documents, that contributes to Saferworld’s internal scoping assessment process.

The specific objectives are to:
- Collate existing sources of information and determine ‘key problem areas’ with regard to the context
- Outline the types of conflict in Libya, the causes of conflict, the key actors and the conflict dynamics
- Identify work conducted by main actors, including external actors such as donors and INGOs.
- Identify any gaps in the information and therefore areas where further research and analysis is needed

The desk research will essentially be a review of existing data and research already undertaken on conflict and security in Libya by a variety of actors. It will not be an attempt to produce an original analysis. However, whilst writing up the conflict analysis report, it is important that gaps in information are identified in order to inform Saferworld’s planning and wider country engagement. The desk research will seek to provide a contextual understanding to inform Saferworld’s internal country strategy development.

3. Outputs of consultancy

The main output that the consultant will provide is a conflict analysis report that draws upon the DFID Strategic Conflict Assessment methodology and summarises information in the following way:

a. Summary of the context and the different types of conflict in Libya

This will provide a brief summary of the Libya context and identify the different types of conflict in Libya, such as national-level political and social conflicts, militias and armed groups, terrorism as well as more localised tensions and conflicts related to access to natural resources, borders, etc. Additionally, a brief snapshot of the economic situation in Libya should be included, particularly as it relates to conflict.

b. Causes of conflict

This section can be broken down into ‘key problem areas’. Information can be clustered into key ‘problem groups’ such as social and cultural, environment and natural resources, political economy, security and justice, land etc. The problem groups should be identified by the consultant depending on the information available.

c. Conflict actors
This section can be broken down by different types of actors – including government, law enforcement agencies, donors and foreign embassies, civil society, media, non-state armed groups, local leaders and traditional authorities, private business, multilateral or regional organisations, religious or political networks and neighbouring states.

Information on the interests, needs and resources of each group of actor should be analysed where the information is available. This includes capturing information on programmes and strategies of external actors, with a particular focus on those working on security sector reform and women’s political participation.

d. Conflict dynamics

This section will be broken down by:

- Threats to peace – a summary of the potential ‘spoilers’ (actors whose actions have the capacity to ‘spoil’ or trigger conflict), factors contributing to prolonging conflict, events that are likely to happen or processes in place that have the ability to rock stability and spark or create the conditions for conflict
- Opportunities for peace – a summary of windows of opportunity, factors contributing to peace and intuitional capacities for peace.

e. A review of existing research

This brief section will provide an overview of existing conflict analysis research undertaken to date including identifying what research actors are already engaged in, what kinds of research has been done, which methodologies have been used, and what are the gaps in existing research. The critical component of this section is the identification of gaps in the existing research that will then help inform Saferworld’s future engagement.

A bibliography of existing literature must be included in line with Saferworld’s style guidelines.

Note:

- Only information available in existing documentation should be drawn upon, the consultant is not expected to undertake additional research.
- The document should be no more than 20 pages in length.
- Saferworld will provide a style guide to be followed when writing the report.

4. Resources to draw upon

Documents to draw on include the suggestions made below. Please note that this is intended as an indicative list only and while not all sources listed need to be consulted in full, additional sources can and should be drawn upon.

1. Small Arms Survey, After the Fall: Libya’s Evolving Armed Groups
2. ICG, Divided We Stand: Libya’s Enduring Conflicts, Middle East/North Africa Report N°130 14 Sep 2012
5. Lindsey Hilsum, Sandstorm: Libya in the Time of Revolution
8. Allison Pargeter, *the Rise and Fall of Gaddafi*.
9. Amnesty International, Libya: Rule of law or rule of militias?
10. Peaceful Change Initiative. Understanding the relationship between communities and armed groups in Libya
11. Peaceful Change Initiative. Background paper for Civil Society Dialogue Network meeting on Libya
14. Roland Marchal, The reshaping of West Africa after Muammar Qaddafi’s fall, NOREF
15. International Human Rights Clinic. Explosive Situation: Qaddafi’s Abandoned Weapons and the Threat to Libya’s Civilians
16. NATO Civil Military Fusion Centre, Unsecured Libyan Weapons: Regional Impact and Possible Threats” and update dated 2 November

There are also relevant documents produced by the UN Support Mission in Libya, the Chatham House Libya working group and the Middle East Report (MERIP), especially the article "'Matrix' Comes to Libya." Saferworld’s internal documents on Libya will be provided as well. The consultant should also look at other relevant documents they may be aware of that are not listed here, including news stories.

5. Reporting requirements, workplan and timeframe

The duration of the whole assignment will be a maximum of 12 days to be conducted from 19 November to 1 December 2012.

Saferworld will coordinate and support the consultant undertaking this task with technical support and management.

The timeframe for completing the desk research is outlined in the table below:

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<td>The consultant will meet with the lead Saferworld contact point (Rosy Cave) for guidance on task and technical support</td>
<td>Week commencing 19 November 2012 (exact date/time to be confirmed)</td>
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<td>Submit electronic copy of draft desk research report by email to Saferworld contact persons for comment</td>
<td>28 November 2012</td>
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<td>Comments from Saferworld received (via email) by consultant</td>
<td>30 November 2012</td>
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<td>Final electronic copy of report to be submitted by consultant to Saferworld contact persons</td>
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In addition, there may be an internal meeting based on the conflict analysis and the larger Libya scoping mission. If possible, it may be beneficial for the consultant to participate and even present the conflict analysis at that meeting.

6. Payment and expenses

Interested consultants should send a CV and cover letter to recruitment@saferworld.org.uk outlining how they will conduct the research and the estimated cost by 14 November 2012. (Please use subject heading: Ref Libya CA)