

Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Engagement of a Creative Sector Specialist

for the

Investment in Digital and Creative Enterprises (iDICE) Programme

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1. Background

The Federal Government of Nigeria has received financing from the African Development Bank (AfDB), Agence Française de Développement (AFD) and the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) towards the implementation of the Investment in Digital and Creative Enterprises (iDICE) Programme¹. The objective of the iDICE Programme is to promote entrepreneurship, boost innovation, create jobs, enhance social development, and achieve economic transformation by fostering growth in the digital technology and creative ecosystem, building on brownfield investments and synergies with ongoing initiatives in Nigeria.

In line with implementation arrangements, the iDICE Programme Coordination Unit (PCU) within the Bank of Industry (BOI) is seeking to engage the services of a **Creative Sector Specialist** as part of the Programme Coordination Unit.

2. Objectives

The Creative Sector Specialist will lead creative sector strategies within the iDICE programme, focusing on commercialization, funding mechanisms, and SDG-aligned growth, while ensuring compliance and stakeholder engagement.

3. Scope of work

The Creative Sector Specialist shall be responsible for a range of duties which include, but are not limited to:

- a) Acting as the focal point for all creative sector related issues on the iDICE programme.
- b) Implementating and monitoring activities towards the achievement of key program objectives in the Creative Sector.
- c) Ensuring that the project is implemented in accordance with the Financing Agreement executed between the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) and all its financing partners.
- d) Developing status updates and stakeholder reports on iDICE Programme activities in the Creative Sector.
- e) Facilitating marketplace data/insights on Creative Sector economy to cover key activities (e.g., production, distribution, and consumption).
- f) Developing domesticated Creative Sector economy impact programs.
- g) Developing Creative Sector economy commercialization framework.
- h) Developing Creative Sector economy IP management framework.

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¹ More details about the iDICE Programme as documented in the Program Appraisal Report (PAR) can be accessed at https://www.afdb.org/en/documents/nigeria-investment-digital-and-creative-enterprises-i-dice-program-project-appraisal-report



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- i) Developing framework for Creative and Culture Commodity Exchange (marketplace).
- j) Structuring marketplace project financing, revenue model and profitability mechanism (institutional and crowdsourced funding framework).
- k) Developing Creative Sector economy financing de-risking mechanism(s).
- Developing Creative Sector economy SDG strategy and implementation plan-Impact Investment for Creative Content Development for Global Compact (UN/SDG).
- m) Developing detailed omni-channel marketplace distribution framework (integrate to relevant channels).
- n) Executing other assignments as may be directed by Management.

4. Qualification and Experience

- a) Minimum of a university degree in Social Sciences, Technology, Business Administration or related fields.
- b) Between 5 to 10 years of relevant experience in the Nigerian creative sector.
- c) Excellent communication (oral and written) and presentation skills.
- d) Outstanding organizational and planning abilities.
- e) Experience managing, designing, and coordinating program activities and communication across multiple delivery partners and program donor(s)
- f) Expertise in developing tools and methodologies linked to enhanced program design and delivery.
- g) Excellent negotiation skills.
- h) Expected to have sound knowledge of contemporary issues related to the creative sector.

5. Reporting and Deliverables

The Creative Sector Specialist will report to the **National Coordinator at the PCU**. The Creative Sector Specialist will submit reports as follows:

S/N	Deliverable	Description	Timeline
1.	Monthly Progress	Detailed reports on the progress of	Monthly
	Reports	activities, challenges faced, solutions	
		implemented, and recommendations	
		for the upcoming month.	
2.	Quarterly	Comprehensive reviews of the	Quarterly
	Performance	performance of the creative sector	
	Reviews	initiatives, including key performance	
		indicators (KPIs), milestones achieved,	
		and impact assessments.	



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3.	Annual Strategic	A comprehensive strategy outlining the	Annually
	Plan / Creative	action plan for the creative sector for	
	Sector Strategy	the upcoming year, as well as	
	Report	implementation and commercialization	
		plans for the creative sector, including	
		Intellectual Property (IP) management.	
4.	Stakeholder	Reports on engagements with	Bi-monthly
	Engagement	stakeholders, including meetings,	
	Reports	workshops, and collaborations, along	
		with outcomes and follow-up actions.	
5.	Marketplace Data	Analysis of marketplace data to inform	Bi-annually
	and Impact	the development of impact programs	
	Analysis	and the Creative and Culture	
		Commodity Exchange.	
6.	Project	Updates on the implementation status	Bi-monthly
	Implementation	of specific projects within the creative	
	Reports	sector, including timelines, deliverables,	
		and any deviations from the plan	
7.	Progress and	A detailed assessment of progress	Quarterly
	Compliance	towards creative sector objectives	
	Report	(social and economic impact of the	
		creative sector initiatives, including job	
		creation, innovation boost, and	
		contributions to economic	
		transformation) and adherence to	
		financing agreements.	
8.	Ad-hoc Reports	Reports on specific issues, challenges, or	As needed
		opportunities that arise unexpectedly,	
		requiring immediate attention and	
		action from the PCU	

6. Duration and Commencement

The duration of the assignment shall be for an initial period of **one (1) years**, to be renewed annually subject to satisfactory performance. The Creative Sector Specialist will be expected to commence work in May 2025.