

EISA INTERNATIONAL ELECTION OBSERVATION MISSION TO THE 2019 PRESIDENTIAL, LEGISLATIVE AND PROVINCIAL ELECTIONS IN MOZAMBIQUE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE NATIONAL POLITICAL AND MEDIA ANALYST

DURATION OF ASSIGNMENT: 29 AUGUST 2019-30 OCTOBER 2019

These Terms of Reference (ToR) describe the role and responsibilities of the national political and media analyst during the period of his/her assignment on the EISA International Election Observer Mission (EOM) to the 15 October 2019 presidential, legislative and provincial elections in Mozambique.

EISA will deploy an election observer mission (EOM) to observe the 2019 presidential, legislative and provincial elections in Mozambique. The EOM is a long-term mission that will cover the pre-election, the voting and the post-election phases of the process. Observers will be deployed to the 10 provinces of Mozambique and the city of Maputo from 26 August 2019 to 26 October 2019. It is led by His Excellency, John Dramani Mahama, former President of the Republic of Ghana with Mr. Denis Kadima, EISA's Executive Director as the Deputy Mission Leader. The Mission will be comprised of a team of 20 Long-Term Observers (LTOs), 22 Short-Term Observers (STOs).

Objectives of the Mission

The deployment of the EOM is in line with EISA's mission of promoting credible elections, citizen participation and strengthening political institutions for sustainable democracy in Africa. Within the Mozambican context, the EOM seeks to contribute to the transparent and peaceful conduct of the 2019 electoral process by providing an independent assessment which could serve as a basis for possible reforms in the post-election phase.

Specifically, the Mission is deployed to:

- Contribute to the assessment of the integrity of the electoral process in Mozambique through the observation and documentation of pre-election, Election Day and postelection activities.
- Ascertain whether the elections in Mozambique meet international benchmarks set out
 in the African Charter for Democracy, Elections and Governance, the AU/OAU
 Declaration on the Principles Governing Democratic Elections in Africa, , the Protocol
 to the African Charter on Human and Peoples Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa,
 the SADC Principles and Guidelines Governing Democratic Elections, the Declaration
 of Principles on International Election Observation and Code of Conduct for Observers
 and the Principles for Election Management, Monitoring and Observation (PEMMO).
- Provide an opportunity for peer learning among EISA observers drawn from across the continent.

The key outputs of the EISA EOM are:

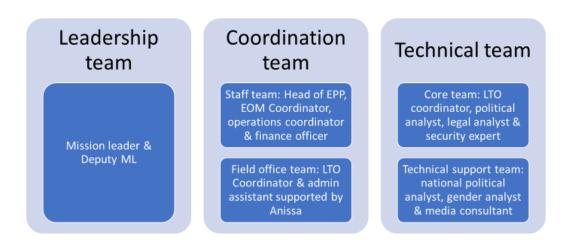
- An arrival statement that announces the presence of the mission in Mozambique
- A pre-election statement which provides the Mission's assessment of the pre-election context (to be confirmed)
- A preliminary statement which provides the Mission's initial assessment of election day procedures
- A final report which provides the Mission's overall assessment of the electoral process

Structure of the EISA EOM

The EISA EOM in Mozambique consists of the following four components:

- A mission leadership team comprised of a mission leader and a deputy mission leader. The team is supported by the Head of EPP.
- A mission Coordination team led by the mission coordinator and comprised of an operations coordinator and a finance officer. The team is supported by an administration and logistics assistant.
- A technical team comprised of a core team of 4 international experts, led by the LTO coordinator, and comprised of a legal analyst, a political analyst, a security expert. The team is supported by a team of national experts, namely: a gender analyst, a political analyst and a media and publicity consultant.
- A team of 20 LTOs and 22 STOs.

Structure of EOM



Role and Responsibilities of the national political and media analyst

Reporting to the LTO coordinator, the political and media analyst will work with other members of the technical team to perform the following duties and responsibilities:

• Provide technical support to the EISA EOM technical team through

- research and analysis;
- Provide a contact list of all political parties and media houses in Maputo;
- Brief the technical team, LTOs, STOs and the Mission Leadership on the political context of the 2019 Presidential, Legislative and Provincial elections in Mozambique
- Provide a daily press review of the coverage of the elections (including online, print and broadcast media). The daily press reviews should include a brief on key issues and events in the political context and how they impact on the electoral process;
- Liaise with political parties and CSOs on behalf of the EISA EOM as required;
- Accompany the technical team members and EOM leadership to meetings upon request;
- Accompany an EISA observer team to polling stations on election day as may be required;
- Provide verbal and written daily summaries of meetings attended;
- Contribute to the drafting of all EOM statements;
- Work closely with the international political analyst to produce relevant sections of the draft final report of the Mission in line with the timelines provided in the section below;

The key outputs of the national political analyst are:

Output	Timeline for submission
Daily press review of the coverage of the	30 August 2019-7 October 2019,
elections (including print and broadcast	submitted daily at 09:00
media).	21 October 2019-30 October 2019
Develop a contact list of political parties	3 September 2019
and CSOs at national level	
Produce a pre-election political brief	16 September 2019 @ 16:30
on the pre-election context	
(working with the international	
political analyst)	
Produce a post-election political brief on	16 October
key events in the media and on election	
day	
Produce a post-election political brief on	20 October 2019
the post-election context and an analysis	
of the results of the elections	
Daily verbal and written briefing of all	Briefing on each meeting attended
meetings attended	

Requirements:

- A university degree in Political Science or related social science
- Excellent command of the spoken and written English language
- Proven analytical skills

- Understanding and familiarity with Mozambique's legal framework and governance systems
- Previous experience providing technical support to an election observer mission or an elections project in Mozambique or in Africa is an added advantage
- Ability to interact with multiple stakeholders at different levels
- Understanding of state protocols and experience working with high-level personalities
- Ability to work under pressure in a multi-tasked and multi-cultural environment

Hours of work

• The political and media analyst will be required to work from 09:00-17:00 on working days. S/he will be required to work on some weekends especially during the briefing and deployment of short-term observers. S/he may also be required to work for extended hours throughout the duration of the contract.

Work Facilities

EISA will endeavor to provide a conducive work environment to ensure that the media and publicity consultant is able to deliver on their outputs as follows:

- Office space with internet connectivity at the Mission Headquarters in Maputo
- Provide airtime for work-related communication
- Provide transportation for work-related travels
- Proving relevant newspapers daily

Remuneration

EISA will pay the political and media analyst a fee of one thousand six hundred and eighty-seven US dollars (\$1687) per month.