



Terms of Reference	
IEJ South Africa	
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<b>Suggested title (to be confirmed)</b>	Methodology Training for IDRC project teams (Ghana, Kenya and South Africa)
<b>Report type</b>	PowerPoint presentation and training document
<b>Pages of report</b>	15 pages for the training document.
<b>Brief background</b>	<p>The IEJ and its partners How-we-Adapt, COSATU (South Africa), ACEP (Ghana) and ACTS (Kenya) are conducting a research project entitled “Just Energy Transition: Localisation, Decent Work, SMMEs and Sustainable Livelihoods”. The primary rationale for this research is to generate and share knowledge through research and advocacy necessary for ensuring the transition from a fossil fuel to a renewable energy economy in ways that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ameliorates resultant unemployment and economic losses, the destructive social, and ecological legacies these value chains have shaped;</li> <li>● Harnesses employment opportunities arising from the shift, livelihood support for those affected, and;</li> <li>● Ensuring that the potential economic gains from renewable transitions benefit workers, marginalised groups such as women, and developing countries.</li> </ul> <p>The overall objective of the Project is to develop public policy proposals, and advocacy support, and interventions necessary to enable decent work and sustainable livelihoods for workers, with particular consideration for women, through the localisation</p>

	<p>of clean energy value chains, with a focus on Micro-, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSMEs) capability development in Kenya, Ghana, and South Africa. It utilises a mixed methods approach for data collection consisting of semi-structured interviews, focus groups, participant observations, firm-level surveys, and review of academic and grey literature, policy documents, national and international statistical data, and corporate data. The sample will include MSMEs in the relevant value chains, managers and owners from selected firms, worker organisations, community groups, and relevant government officials and trade association representatives in South Africa, Ghana and Kenya.</p>
<p><b>Purpose of the training</b></p>	<p>The purpose of this training is to enable researchers within the project to have a better understanding of the methodology for the research – the procedures and techniques for identifying, selecting, processing, and analysing data obtained from the research.</p> <p>This project utilises a mixed method approach combining qualitative and quantitative methods e.g., firm surveys, semi structured interviews, focus groups through stakeholder workshops. As such, the consultant should explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● What each of these approaches seek to establish, the kinds of data produced, sample, and issues about generalizability of the findings.</li> <li>● The advantages/disadvantages of each approach and</li> <li>● The advantages of a mixed methods approach.</li> <li>● How to undertake these kinds of research methods</li> </ul> <p>To help the project team to improve the operationalisation of the conceptual framework in support of our research design and the objectives of the study</p> <p>To help the project team set up a data management system that will help in uploading/recording and storing the data in support of our data analysis.</p>
<p><b>Target Audience</b></p>	<p>IDRC Project Team</p>

<b>Outputs/Activities</b>	<p>Three-day training of team members in person and virtually</p> <p><b>Administrative commitments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of the paper/teaching aid</li> <li>• Presentation of the paper</li> <li>• Teaching Aid submitted to the project team (maximum 15 pages)</li> </ul>
<b>Method</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching</li> <li>• Practical exercises</li> <li>• Make use of the project's continental analysis and conceptual framework to develop teaching aids.</li> </ul>
<b>Connection with programme.</b>	This report will contribute to the Just Energy Transition: Localisation, Decent Work, SMMEs and Sustainable Livelihoods Project.
<b>Issues on gender and decent work</b>	The training should pay particular attention to gender and decent work concerns of the project.
<b>Translation</b>	Not applicable
<b>Budget</b>	Negotiable
<b>Production Schedule</b>	Three-day hybrid presentation

<p><b>Request for Proposal</b></p>	<p>Prepare a 500-to-1000-word proposal that explains why you are able to undertake this task. The proposal must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous successful work in research methods training</li> <li>• Budget</li> <li>• Curriculum Vitae related to this particular work</li> </ul> <p><b>Evaluation of Proposal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience and Budget Costs</li> </ul> <p><b>Deadline for proposal: 26 May 2024</b></p>
<p><b>Submission process</b></p>	<p>The proposal and supporting documents (limited to 6MB), must be sent electronically in PDF format. All documents must be submitted via this link <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Those having trouble submitting via the Google Form must send their queries to <a href="mailto:applications@iej.org.za">applications@iej.org.za</a>.</p>