



Terms of Reference (ToR)

AIDS 2022 Positive Lounge Consultant

1. About the International AIDS Society (IAS)

IAS – the International AIDS Society leads collective action on every front of the global HIV response through its membership base, scientific authority and convening power. Founded in 1988, the IAS is the world's largest association of HIV professionals, with members in more than 170 countries. Working with its members, the IAS advocates and drives urgent action to reduce the impact of HIV. The IAS is also the steward of the world's most prestigious HIV conferences: the International AIDS Conference, the IAS Conference on HIV Science, and the HIV Research for Prevention Conference.

2. About the International AIDS Conference

IAS – the International AIDS Conference – is the premier global platform to advance the HIV response. As the world's largest conference on HIV and AIDS, it sits uniquely at the intersection of science, advocacy and human rights, bringing together scientists, policy makers, healthcare professionals, people living with HIV, funders, media and community. Since its start in 1985, the conference continues to serve as an opportunity to strengthen policies and programmes that ensure an evidence-based response to HIV and related epidemics.

3. Positive Lounge at the International AIDS Conference

The Positive Lounge is designed to be a place of rest and support for HIV positive delegates. The lounge also provides an opportunity to meet and talk with other people living with HIV from across the globe in a relaxed and nurturing environment.

The IAS conferences provide support for the implementation of this lounge through a working group and consultant who deliver advice and assistance in advance of and during the conference.

4. Scope of work

The Positive Lounge Consultant will collaborate with a working group, including civil society partner organizations and individuals at local and international levels, as well as the IAS Secretariat, to identify local donors and service providers and ensure the needs of the Positive Lounge are fulfilled.

Under the guidance of the IAS Partnerships Officer, the Positive Lounge Consultant will perform the tasks outlined in the [AIDS 2022 Positive Lounge Request for Proposals](#).

The Positive Lounge Consultancy is a paid role and a contract will be signed with the IAS for this consultancy.