



Developing the SLH sanitation financing approaches resource collection: Terms of Reference

To create a diverse, high-quality resource collection and to encourage networking we are inviting **three sanitation financing experts** to work together to create an up-to-date sanitation financing approaches resource collection for the SLH website.

See our current [sanitation financing approaches resource collection](#) on our website. This also provides our definition of sanitation financing approaches.

Overview

We want to keep the SLH website resource collections as up-to-date as possible but this is a challenging task as the site features [nine thematic collections](#) and a number of [learning and programmatic approaches collections](#). To achieve this, we work with thematic experts to create highly curated collections to present the best resources out there.

For this work you will be alongside two other experts to select and present 15 of the best resources on this issue. We also hope this will be an excellent networking and learning opportunity for you.

We are offering a fixed amount of £500 each for your contributions and would not expect your time commitment to exceed three days.

Who should apply?

- Academics with regional and/or global knowledge of sanitation financing
- Practitioners with regional and/or global knowledge of sanitation financing
- Specialists/consultants on sanitation financing (international but with extensive field experience)
- We especially encourage applicants from the global south.

Outputs

- 15 selected resources with summaries (250-word max). (Each consultant will write 5 summaries).
- The top 5 (the best of the best) from the 15 selected resources.
- A 1200-word co-produced summary of your discussion.
- A survey with SLH at the end of the process to see how you found the experience
- Check back in with SLH in 6 months' time to see if anything else developed from the experience.

Resource selection criteria

We rate resources using the selection criteria below. Each resource should address all the essential criteria and at least one of the desirable criteria.

Essential:

- It presents recent, relevant, and strong findings
- It is written in a readable, accessible, and engaging way
- It is practical in that it gives clear ideas, suggestions, and recommendations
- It has an emphasis on reaching the poorest, those left behind and/or challenging contexts
- The collection should prioritise resources featuring global south perspectives ideally written by authors from the global south
- It adds to the conversation. We want the collection to present an array of perspectives, knowledge and learning that paint a full and current picture of the theme (avoiding repetition if possible)

Desirable:

- It draws attention to a knowledge gap, blind spot or emerging question
- It shares good practices, methodologies and/or innovations in programming and/or policy
- It presents ground level realities and community perspectives
- It reflects on the process of using a participatory research approach
- It reflects on the process of innovating, adapting and testing research approaches

SLH target audiences:

- In-country sanitation and hygiene practitioners
- Sanitation and hygiene specialists/consultants
- Southern policymakers
- Southern sanitation and hygiene academics
- Donors

Resource types that we feature:

- Toolkits
- Guidance notes
- Reports (research reports, workshop reports, working papers, discussion papers, conference papers)
- Case studies
- Journal articles
- Policy briefings
- Audio-visual material
- Blogs

Resource collection process:

Getting started:

- At the start of the process, we will introduce the three consultants to each other via email.
- Each consultant will independently find 10 resources, taking into consideration SLH selection criteria and target audiences (as above). The resources you select can include those currently in the [SLH sanitation financing approaches collection](#) if you feel they are still relevant.

Discussion:

- The three consultants will organise an online meeting to discuss the potential 30 resources and to vote which 15 resources are most relevant to add to the SLH collection, as well as selecting the top 5 (best of the best). It is important to emphasise that these resources need to sit together as a complimentary collection which presents an array of perspectives, knowledge and learning that paint a full and current picture of the theme.
- The consultants will document this discussion and co-produce a 1200 max summary. This will include:
 - A brief overview of where the sector is with sanitation financing approaches
 - Why you picked the resources you did
 - Any big differences in opinion within the sector (also big difference in opinion between consultants) and why
 - Any big gaps in knowledge that needs attention in this area
- The resource list and summary will all be submitted to the SLH team.
- The SLH team will review the resource list and summary with feedback.

Summary writing:

- Each consultant will write 5 summaries. The summary will provide a short outline of the resource (max 100 words) followed by your recommendation as to who you think this resource is most valuable to and why (max 150 words).
- The summaries will be submitted to the SLH team who will provide feedback and editing suggestions.

Evaluation and learning:

- At the end of the process, the SLH team will follow up to see how you found the experience and any lessons learnt.
- The SLH team will contact you in 6 months' time to see if anything else developed from the experience

Timeline

Who	What	When/deadline
Applicants	Submit applications to SLH	12pm Monday October 17 th
SLH	Select and notify applicants	Friday October 21 st
Consultants	Submit resource list and conversation summary	Friday November 4 th
SLH	Feedback on list and conversation summary	Wednesday November 9 th
Consultants	Submit resource summaries	Friday November 18 th
SLH	Feedback on resource summaries	Friday November 25 th
Consultants	Submit final draft of resource summaries and conversation summary	Wednesday November 30 th
SLH	Upload resources and prepare communications	Thursday December 1 st
SLH	Promote resource collection through all channel	Wed December 7 th
Consultants	Fill in a survey about the experience	Friday December 9 th
SLH/Consultants	SLH to follow up with consultant about any outcomes from this work.	May 2023

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