



# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

## **Restoration of Governance and Reconciliation in Crisis-Affected Communities of Ukraine.**

**Capacity building training and technical assistance services for project proposal elaboration and project management in 20 partner communities of the Donetsk and Luhansk Oblasts of Ukraine**



**United Nations Development Programme**

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## Section 1. Letter of Invitation

Kyiv, Ukraine  
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**32-2017-UNDP-UKR-RFP-RPP**

Dear Bidder,

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) hereby invites you to submit a Proposal to this Request for Proposal (RFP) for the above-referenced subject.

This RFP includes the following documents:

- Section 1 – This Letter of Invitation
- Section 2 – Instructions to Proposers (including Data Sheet)
- Section 3 – Terms of Reference
- Section 4 – Proposal Submission Form
- Section 5 – Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Proposer
- Section 6 – Technical Proposal Form
- Section 7 – Financial Proposal Form
- Section 8 – Form for Performance Security *(may be required from winning entity)*
- Section 9 – Form for Advanced Payment Guarantee *(may be required from winning entity)*
- Section 10 – Contract for Professional Services, including General Terms and Conditions

Your offer, comprising of a Technical and Financial Proposal (in separate archive files), should be submitted in accordance with Section 2.

You are kindly requested to submit an acknowledgment letter to UNDP to the following address:

United Nations Development Programme  
procurement.ua@undp.org  
Attention: Procurement Unit

The letter should be received by UNDP preferably no later than **May 25, 2017**. The same letter should advise whether your company intends to submit a Proposal. If that is not the case, UNDP would appreciate your indicating the reason, for our records.

If you have received this RFP through a direct invitation by UNDP, transferring this invitation to another firm requires your written notification to UNDP of such transfer and the name of the company to whom the invitation was forwarded.

Should you require further clarifications, kindly communicate with the contact person identified in the attached Data Sheet as the focal point for queries on this RFP.

UNDP looks forward to receiving your Proposal and thanks you in advance for your interest in UNDP procurement opportunities.

Yours sincerely,



Ms. Andra Brige,  
Deputy Country Director (Operations)  
United Nations Development Programme

## Section 2: Instruction to Proposers

### Definitions

- a) *“Contract”* refers to the agreement that will be signed by and between the UNDP and the successful proposer, all the attached documents thereto, including the General Terms and Conditions (GTC) and the Appendices.
- b) *“Country”* refers to the country indicated in the Data Sheet.
- c) *“Data Sheet”* refers to such part of the Instructions to Proposers used to reflect conditions of the tendering process that are specific for the requirements of the RFP.
- d) *“Day”* refers to calendar day.
- e) *“Government”* refers to the Government of the country that will be receiving the services provided/rendered specified under the Contract.
- f) *“Instructions to Proposers”* (Section 2 of the RFP) refers to the complete set of documents that provides Proposers with all information needed and procedures to be followed in the course of preparing their Proposals
- g) *“LOI”* (Section 1 of the RFP) refers to the Letter of Invitation sent by UNDP to Proposers.
- h) *“Material Deviation”* refers to any contents or characteristics of the proposal that is significantly different from an essential aspect or requirement of the RFP, and : (i) substantially alters the scope and quality of the requirements; (ii) limits the rights of UNDP and/or the obligations of the offeror; and (iii) adversely impacts the fairness and principles of the procurement process, such as those that compromise the competitive position of other offerors.
- i) *“Proposal”* refers to the Proposer’s response to the Request for Proposal, including the Proposal Submission Form, Technical and Financial Proposal and all other documentation attached thereto as required by the RFP.
- j) *“Proposer”* refers to any legal entity that may submit, or has submitted, a Proposal for the provision of services requested by UNDP through this RFP.
- k) *“RFP”* refers to the Request for Proposals consisting of instructions and references prepared by UNDP for purposes of selecting the best service provider to perform the services described in the Terms of Reference.
- l) *“Services”* refers to the entire scope of tasks and deliverables requested by UNDP under the RFP.
- m) *“Supplemental Information to the RFP”* refers to a written communication issued by UNDP to prospective Proposers containing clarifications, responses to queries received from prospective Proposers, or changes to be made in the RFP, at any time after the release of the RFP but before the deadline for the submission of Proposals.

- n) *“Terms of Reference”* (TOR) refers to the document included in this RFP as Section 3 which describes the objectives, scope of services, activities, tasks to be performed, respective responsibilities of the proposer, expected results and deliverables and other data pertinent to the performance of the range of duties and services expected of the successful proposer.

## A. GENERAL

1. UNDP hereby solicits Proposals in response to this Request for Proposal (RFP). Proposers must strictly adhere to all the requirements of this RFP. No changes, substitutions or other alterations to the rules and provisions stipulated in this RFP may be made or assumed unless it is instructed or approved in writing by UNDP in the form of Supplemental Information to the RFP.
2. Submission of a Proposal shall be deemed as an acknowledgement by the Proposer that all obligations stipulated by this RFP will be met and, unless specified otherwise, the Proposer has read, understood and agreed to all the instructions in this RFP.
3. Any Proposal submitted will be regarded as an offer by the Proposer and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of any Proposal by UNDP. UNDP is under no obligation to award a contract to any Proposer as a result of this RFP.
4. UNDP implements a policy of zero tolerance on proscribed practices, including fraud, corruption, collusion, unethical practices, and obstruction. UNDP is committed to preventing, identifying and addressing all acts of fraud and corrupt practices against UNDP as well as third parties involved in UNDP activities. (See <https://intranet.undp.org/global/documents/rma/UNDP%20Anti-fraud%20Policy%20English%20FINAL.pdf#search=anti%20fraud%20policy> and <http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/protest-and-sanctions.html> for full description of the policies)
5. In responding to this RFP, UNDP requires all Proposers to conduct themselves in a professional, objective and impartial manner, and they must at all times hold UNDP’s interests paramount. Proposers must strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own interests, and act without consideration for future work. All Proposers found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. Without limitation on the generality of the above, Proposers, and any of their affiliates, shall be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this solicitation process, if they:
  - 5.1 Are or have been associated in the past, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged UNDP to provide services for the preparation of the design, specifications, Terms of Reference, cost analysis/estimation, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods and services in this selection process;
  - 5.2 Were involved in the preparation and/or design of the programme/project related to the services requested under this RFP; or
  - 5.3 Are found to be in conflict for any other reason, as may be established by, or at the discretion of, UNDP.

In the event of any uncertainty in the interpretation of what is potentially a conflict of interest, proposers

must disclose the condition to UNDP and seek UNDP's confirmation on whether or not such conflict exists.

6. Similarly, the Proposers must disclose in their proposal their knowledge of the following :
  - 6.1 That they are owners, part-owners, officers, directors, controlling shareholders, or they have key personnel who are family of UNDP staff involved in the procurement functions and/or the Government of the country or any Implementing Partner receiving services under this RFP; and
  - 6.2 All other circumstances that could potentially lead to actual or perceived conflict of interest, collusion or unfair competition practices.

Failure of such disclosure may result in the rejection of the proposal or proposals affected by the non-disclosure.

7. The eligibility of Proposers that are wholly or partly owned by the Government shall be subject to UNDP's further evaluation and review of various factors such as being registered as an independent entity, the extent of Government ownership/share, receipt of subsidies, mandate, access to information in relation to this RFP, and others that may lead to undue advantage against other Proposers, and the eventual rejection of the Proposal.
8. All Proposers must adhere to the UNDP Supplier Code of Conduct, which may be found at this link:

<http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/img/corporate/procurement/UN%20Supplier%20Code%20of%20Conduct.pdf>

## B. CONTENTS OF PROPOSAL

### 9. Sections of Proposal

Proposers are required to complete, sign and submit the following documents:

- 9.1 Proposal Submission Cover Letter Form (see RFP Section 4);
- 9.2 Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Proposer (see RFP Section 5);
- 9.3 Technical Proposal (see prescribed form in RFP Section 6);
- 9.4 Financial Proposal (see prescribed form in RFP Section 7);
- 9.5 Proposal Security, if applicable (if required and as stated in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 9-11), see prescribed Form in RFP Section 8);
- 9.6 Any attachments and/or appendices to the Proposal.

### 10. Clarification of Proposal

- 10.1 Proposers may request clarifications of any of the RFP documents no later than the date indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 16) prior to the proposal submission date. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing via courier or through electronic means to the UNDP address indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 17). UNDP will respond in writing, transmitted by electronic means and will transmit copies of the response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) to all Proposers who have provided confirmation of their intention to submit a Proposal.

- 10.2 UNDP shall endeavor to provide such responses to clarifications in an expeditious manner, but any delay in such response shall not cause an obligation on the part of UNDP to extend the submission date of the Proposals, unless UNDP deems that such an extension is justified and necessary.

## **11. Amendment of Proposals**

- 11.1 At any time prior to the deadline of Proposal submission, UNDP may for any reason, such as in response to a clarification requested by a Proposer, modify the RFP in the form of a Supplemental Information to the RFP. All prospective Proposers will be notified in writing of all changes/amendments and additional instructions through Supplemental Information to the RFP and through the method specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS No. 18).
- 11.2 In order to afford prospective Proposers reasonable time to consider the amendments in preparing their Proposals, UNDP may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission of Proposals, if the nature of the amendment to the RFP justifies such an extension.

## **C. PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS**

### **12. Cost**

The Proposer shall bear any and all costs related to the preparation and/or submission of the Proposal, regardless of whether its Proposal was selected or not. UNDP shall in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the procurement process.

### **13. Language**

The Proposal, as well as any and all related correspondence exchanged by the Proposer and UNDP, shall be written in the language (s) specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS No 4). Any printed literature furnished by the Proposer written in a language other than the language indicated in the **Data Sheet**, must be accompanied by a translation in the preferred language indicated in the **Data Sheet**. For purposes of interpretation of the Proposal, and in the event of discrepancy or inconsistency in meaning, the version translated into the preferred language shall govern. Upon conclusion of a contract, the language of the contract shall govern the relationship between the contractor and UNDP.

### **14. Proposal Submission Form**

The Proposer shall submit the Proposal Submission Form using the form provided in Section 4 of this RFP.

### **15. Technical Proposal Format and Content**

Unless otherwise stated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 28), the Proposer shall structure the Technical Proposal as follows:

- 15.1 Expertise of Firm/Organization – this section should provide details regarding management structure

of the organization, organizational capability/resources, and experience of organization/firm, the list of projects/contracts (both completed and on-going, both domestic and international) which are related or similar in nature to the requirements of the RFP, and proof of financial stability and adequacy of resources to complete the services required by the RFP (see RFP clause 18 and DS No. 26 for further details). The same shall apply to any other entity participating in the RFP as a Joint Venture or Consortium.

- 15.2 Proposed Methodology, Approach and Implementation Plan – this section should demonstrate the Proposer’s response to the Terms of Reference by identifying the specific components proposed, how the requirements shall be addressed, as specified, point by point; providing a detailed description of the essential performance characteristics proposed; identifying the works/portions of the work that will be subcontracted; and demonstrating how the proposed methodology meets or exceeds the specifications, while ensuring appropriateness of the approach to the local conditions and the rest of the project operating environment. This methodology must be laid out in an implementation timetable that is within the duration of the contract as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 29 and 30).

Proposers must be fully aware that the products or services that UNDP requires may be transferred, immediately or eventually, by UNDP to the Government partners, or to an entity nominated by the latter, in accordance with UNDP’s policies and procedures. All proposers are therefore required to submit the following in their proposals :

- a) A statement of whether any import or export licences are required in respect of the goods to be purchased or services to be rendered, including any restrictions in the country of origin, use or dual use nature of the goods or services, including any disposition to end users; and
- b) Confirmation that the Proposer has obtained license of this nature in the past, and have an expectation of obtaining all the necessary licenses, should their Proposal be rendered the most responsive.

- 15.3 Management Structure and Key Personnel – This section should include the comprehensive curriculum vitae (CVs) of key personnel that will be assigned to support the implementation of the proposed methodology, clearly defining the roles and responsibilities vis-à-vis the proposed methodology. CVs should establish competence and demonstrate qualifications in areas relevant to the TOR.

In complying with this section, the Proposer assures and confirms to UNDP that the personnel being nominated are available for the Contract on the dates proposed. If any of the key personnel later becomes unavailable, except for unavoidable reasons such as death or medical incapacity, among other possibilities, UNDP reserves the right to consider the proposal non-responsive. Any deliberate substitution arising from unavoidable reasons, including delay in the implementation of the project of programme through no fault of the Proposer shall be made only with UNDP’s acceptance of the justification for substitution, and UNDP’s approval of the qualification of the replacement who shall be either of equal or superior credentials as the one being replaced.

- 15.4 Where the **Data Sheet** requires the submission of the Proposal Security, the Proposal Security shall be included along with the Technical Proposal. The Proposal Security may be forfeited by UNDP, and reject the Proposal, in the event of any or any combination of the following conditions:

- a) If the Proposer withdraws its offer during the period of the Proposal Validity specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 11), or;
- b) If the Proposal Security amount is found to be less than what is required by UNDP as indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 9), or;
- c) In the case the successful Proposer fails:
  - i. to sign the Contract after UNDP has awarded it;
  - ii. to comply with UNDP's variation of requirement, as per RFP clause 35; or
  - iii. to furnish Performance Security, insurances, or other documents that UNDP may require as a condition to rendering the effectivity of the contract that may be awarded to the Proposer.

## 16. Financial Proposals

The Financial Proposal shall be prepared using the attached standard form (Section 7). It shall list all major cost components associated with the services, and the detailed breakdown of such costs. All outputs and activities described in the Technical Proposal must be priced separately on a one-to-one correspondence. Any output and activities described in the Technical Proposal but not priced in the Financial Proposal, shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other activities or items, as well as in the final total price.

## 17. Currencies

All prices shall be quoted in the currency indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 15). However, where Proposals are quoted in different currencies, for the purposes of comparison of all Proposals:

- a) UNDP will convert the currency quoted in the Proposal into the UNDP preferred currency, in accordance with the prevailing UN operational rate of exchange on the last day of submission of Proposals; and
- b) In the event that the proposal found to be the most responsive to the RFP requirement is quoted in another currency different from the preferred currency as per **Data Sheet** (DS no. 15), then UNDP shall reserve the right to award the contract in the currency of UNDP's preference, using the conversion method specified above.

Proposals submitted by two (2) or more Proposers shall all be rejected if they are found to have any of the following :

- a) they have at least one controlling partner, director or shareholder in common; or
- b) any one of them receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from the other/s; or
- c) they have the same legal representative for purposes of this RFP; or
- d) they have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about, or influence on the Proposal of, another Proposer regarding this RFP process;
- e) they are subcontractors to each other's Proposal, or a subcontractor to one Proposal also submits another Proposal under its name as lead Proposer; or
- f) an expert proposed to be in the team of one Proposer participates in more than one Proposal received for this RFP process. This condition does not apply to subcontractors being included in more than one Proposal.



## **18. Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Proposer**

The Proposer shall furnish documentary evidence of its status as an eligible and qualified vendor, using the forms provided under Section 5, Proposer Information Forms. In order to award a contract to a Proposer, its qualifications must be documented to UNDP's satisfaction. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) That, in the case of a Proposer offering to supply goods under the Contract which the Proposer did not manufacture or otherwise produce, the Proposer has been duly authorized by the goods' manufacturer or producer to supply the goods in the country of final destination;
- b) That the Proposer has the financial, technical, and production capability necessary to perform the Contract; and
- c) That, to the best of the Proposer's knowledge, it is not included in the UN 1267/1989 List or the UN Ineligibility List, nor in any and all of UNDP's list of suspended and removed vendors.

## **19. Joint Venture, Consortium or Association**

If the Proposer is a group of legal entities that will form or have formed a joint venture, consortium or association at the time of the submission of the Proposal, they shall confirm in their Proposal that : (i) they have designated one party to act as a lead entity, duly vested with authority to legally bind the members of the joint venture jointly and severally, and this shall be duly evidenced by a duly notarized Agreement among the legal entities, which shall be submitted along with the Proposal; and (ii) if they are awarded the contract, the contract shall be entered into, by and between UNDP and the designated lead entity, who shall be acting for and on behalf of all the member entities comprising the joint venture.

After the Proposal has been submitted to UNDP, the lead entity identified to represent the joint venture shall not be altered without the prior written consent of UNDP. Furthermore, neither the lead entity nor the member entities of the joint venture can:

- a) Submit another proposal, either in its own capacity; nor
- b) As a lead entity or a member entity for another joint venture submitting another Proposal.

The description of the organization of the joint venture/consortium/association must clearly define the expected role of each of the entity in the joint venture in delivering the requirements of the RFP, both in the Proposal and the Joint Venture Agreement. All entities that comprise the joint venture shall be subject to the eligibility and qualification assessment by UNDP.

Where a joint venture is presenting its track record and experience in a similar undertaking as those required in the RFP, it should present such information in the following manner:

- a) Those that were undertaken together by the joint venture; and
- b) Those that were undertaken by the individual entities of the joint venture expected to be involved in the performance of the services defined in the RFP.

Previous contracts completed by individual experts working privately but who are permanently or were temporarily associated with any of the member firms cannot be claimed as the experience of the joint venture or those of its members, but should only be claimed by the individual experts themselves in their presentation of their individual credentials.

If a joint venture's Proposal is determined by UNDP as the most responsive Proposal that offers the best value for money, UNDP shall award the contract to the joint venture, in the name of its designated lead entity. The lead entity shall sign the contract for and on behalf of all other member entities.

## **20. Alternative Proposals**

Unless otherwise specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 5 and 6), alternative proposals shall not be considered. Where the conditions for its acceptance are met, or justifications are clearly established, UNDP reserves the right to award a contract based on an alternative proposal.

## **21. Validity Period**

Proposals shall remain valid for the period specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 8), commencing on the submission deadline date also indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 21). A Proposal valid for a shorter period shall be immediately rejected by UNDP and rendered non-responsive.

In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the proposal validity period, UNDP may request Proposers to extend the period of validity of their Proposals. The request and the responses shall be made in writing, and shall be considered integral to the Proposal.

## **22. Proposer's Conference**

When appropriate, a proposer's conference will be conducted at the date, time and location specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 7). All Proposers are encouraged to attend. Non-attendance, however, shall not result in disqualification of an interested Proposer. Minutes of the proposer's conference will be either posted on the UNDP website, or disseminated to the individual firms who have registered or expressed interest with the contract, whether or not they attended the conference. No verbal statement made during the conference shall modify the terms and conditions of the RFP unless such statement is specifically written in the Minutes of the Conference, or issued/posted as an amendment in the form of a Supplemental Information to the RFP.

# **D. SUBMISSION AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS**

## **23. Submission**

23.1 The Financial Proposal and the Technical Proposal Envelopes MUST BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE and each of them must be submitted sealed individually and clearly marked on the outside as either "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" or "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL", as appropriate. Each envelope MUST clearly indicate the name of the Proposer. The outer envelopes shall bear the address of UNDP as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no.20) and shall include the Proposer's name and address, as well as a warning that state "*not to be opened before the time and date for proposal opening*" as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 24). The Proposer shall assume the responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of Proposals due to improper sealing and labeling by the Proposer.

23.2 Proposers must submit their Proposals in the manner specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 22 and

23). When the Proposals are expected to be in transit for more than 24 hours, the Proposer must ensure that sufficient lead time has been provided in order to comply with UNDP's deadline for submission. UNDP shall indicate for its record that the official date and time of receiving the Proposal is the actual date and time when the said Proposal has physically arrived at the UNDP premises indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 20).

23.3 Proposers submitting Proposals by mail or by hand shall enclose the original and each copy of the Proposal, in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking each of the envelopes as "Original Proposal" and "Copy of Proposal" as appropriate. The 2 envelopes shall then be sealed in an outer envelope. The number of copies required shall be as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS No. 19). In the event of any discrepancy between the contents of the "Original Proposal" and the "Copy of Proposal", the contents of the original shall govern. The original version of the Proposal shall be signed or initialed by the Proposer or person(s) duly authorized to commit the Proposer on every page. The authorization shall be communicated through a document evidencing such authorization issued by the highest official of the firm, or a Power of Attorney, accompanying the Proposal.

23.4 Proposers must be aware that the mere act of submission of a Proposal, in and of itself, implies that the Proposer accepts the General Contract Terms and Conditions of UNDP as attached hereto as Section 11.

#### **24. Deadline for Submission of Proposals and Late Proposals**

Proposals must be received by UNDP at the address and no later than the date and time specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 20 and 21).

UNDP shall not consider any Proposal that arrives after the deadline for submission of Proposals. Any Proposal received by UNDP after the deadline for submission of Proposals shall be declared late, rejected, and returned unopened to the Proposer.

#### **25. Withdrawal, Substitution, and Modification of Proposals**

25.1 Proposers are expected to have sole responsibility for taking steps to carefully examine in detail the full consistency of its Proposals to the requirements of the RFP, keeping in mind that material deficiencies in providing information requested by UNDP, or lack clarity in the description of services to be provided, may result in the rejection of the Proposal. The Proposer shall assume the responsibility regarding erroneous interpretations or conclusions made by the Proposer in the course of understanding the RFP out of the set of information furnished by UNDP.

25.2 A Proposer may withdraw, substitute or modify its Proposal after it has been submitted by sending a written notice in accordance with Clause 23.1, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization (or a Power of Attorney). The corresponding substitution or modification of the Proposal must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be received by UNDP prior to the deadline for submission and submitted in accordance with RFP Clause 23.1 (except that withdrawal notices do not require copies). The respective envelopes shall be clearly marked "WITHDRAWAL," "SUBSTITUTION," or "MODIFICATION".

25.3 Proposals requested to be withdrawn shall be returned unopened to the Proposers.

- 25.4 No Proposal may be withdrawn, substituted, or modified in the interval between the deadline for submission of Proposals and the expiration of the period of proposal validity specified by the Proposer on the Proposal Submission Form or any extension thereof.

## **26. Proposal Opening**

UNDP will open the Proposals in the presence of an ad-hoc committee formed by UNDP of at least two (2) members. If electronic submission is permitted, any specific electronic proposal opening procedures shall be as specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 23).

The Proposers' names, modifications, withdrawals, the condition of the envelope labels/seals, the number of folders/files and all other such other details as UNDP may consider appropriate, will be announced at the opening. No Proposal shall be rejected at the opening stage, except for late submission, for which the Proposal shall be returned unopened to the Proposer.

## **27. Confidentiality**

Information relating to the examination, evaluation, and comparison of Proposals, and the recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to Proposers or any other persons not officially concerned with such process, even after publication of the contract award.

Any effort by a Proposer to influence UNDP in the examination, evaluation and comparison of the Proposals or contract award decisions may, at UNDP's decision, result in the rejection of its Proposal.

In the event that a Proposer is unsuccessful, the Proposer may seek a meeting with UNDP for a debriefing. **The purpose of the debriefing is discussing the strengths and weaknesses of the Proposer's submission, in order to assist the Proposer in improving the proposals presented to UNDP.** The content of other proposals and how they compare to the Proposer's submission shall not be discussed.

# **E. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS**

## **28. Preliminary Examination of Proposals**

UNDP shall examine the Proposals to determine whether they are complete with respect to minimum documentary requirements, whether the documents have been properly signed, whether or not the Proposer is in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 Committee's list of terrorists and terrorist financiers, and in UNDP's list of suspended and removed vendors, and whether the Proposals are generally in order, among other indicators that may be used at this stage. UNDP may reject any Proposal at this stage.

## **29. Evaluation of Proposals**

29.1 UNDP shall examine the Proposal to confirm that all terms and conditions under the UNDP General Terms and Conditions and Special Conditions have been accepted by the Proposer without any deviation or reservation.

29.2 The evaluation team shall review and evaluate the Technical Proposals on the basis of their

responsiveness to the Terms of Reference and other documentation provided, applying the evaluation criteria, sub-criteria, and point system specified in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 32). Each responsive Proposal will be given a technical score. A Proposal shall be rendered non-responsive at this stage if it does not substantially respond to the RFP particularly the demands of the Terms of Reference, which also means that it fails to achieve the minimum technical score indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 25). Absolutely no changes may be made by UNDP in the criteria, sub-criteria and point system indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 32) after all Proposals have been received.

29.3 In the second stage, only the Financial Proposals of those Proposers who achieve the minimum technical score will be opened for evaluation for comparison and review. The Financial Proposal Envelopes corresponding to Proposals that did not meet the minimum passing technical score shall be returned to the Proposer unopened. The overall evaluation score will be based either on a combination of the technical score and the financial offer, or the lowest evaluated financial proposal of the technically qualified Proposers. The evaluation method that applies for this RFP shall be as indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS No. 25).

When the Data Sheet specifies a combined scoring method, the formula for the rating of the Proposals will be as follows:

<p><u>Rating the Technical Proposal (TP):</u></p> <p><b>TP Rating</b> = Total Average Score Obtained by the Offer</p> <p><u>Rating the Financial Proposal (FP):</u></p> <p><b>FP Rating</b> = (Lowest Priced Offer / Price of the Offer Being Reviewed) x Maximum Obtainable Financial Score</p> <p><u>Total Combined Score:</u></p> <p>TP Score + FP Score=<b>Total Combined and Final Score of the Proposal</b></p>
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29.4 UNDP reserves the right to undertake a post-qualification exercise aimed at determining, to its satisfaction the validity of the information provided by the Proposer. Such post-qualification shall be fully documented and, among those that may be listed in the **Data Sheet** (DS No.33), may include, but need not be limited to, all or any combination of the following:

- Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of information provided by the Proposer on the legal, technical and financial documents submitted;
- Validation of extent of compliance to the RFP requirements and evaluation criteria based on what has so far been found by the evaluation team;
- Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with jurisdiction on the Proposer, or any other entity that may have done business with the Proposer;
- Inquiry and reference checking with other previous clients on the quality of performance on

- ongoing or previous contracts completed;
- e) Physical inspection of the Proposer's offices, branches or other places where business transpires, with or without notice to the Proposer;
- f) Quality assessment of ongoing and completed outputs, works and activities similar to the requirements of UNDP, where available; and
- g) Other means that UNDP may deem appropriate, at any stage within the selection process, prior to awarding the contract.

### **30. Clarification of Proposals**

To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Proposals, UNDP may, at its discretion, ask any Proposer for a clarification of its Proposal.

UNDP's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. Notwithstanding the written communication, no change in the prices or substance of the Proposal shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to provide clarification, and confirm the correction of any arithmetic errors discovered by UNDP in the evaluation of the Proposals, in accordance with RFP Clause 32.

Any unsolicited clarification submitted by a Proposer in respect to its Proposal, which is not a response to a request by UNDP, shall not be considered during the review and evaluation of the Proposals.

### **31. Responsiveness of Proposal**

UNDP's determination of a Proposal's responsiveness will be based on the contents of the Proposal itself.

A substantially responsive Proposal is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, TOR and other requirements of the RFP without material deviation, reservation, or omission.

If a Proposal is not substantially responsive, it shall be rejected by UNDP and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Proposer by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.

### **32. Nonconformities, Repairable Errors and Omissions**

Provided that a Proposal is substantially responsive, UNDP may waive any non-conformities or omissions in the Proposal that, in the opinion of UNDP, do not constitute a material deviation.

Provided that a Proposal is substantially responsive, UNDP may request the Proposer to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions in the Proposal related to documentation requirements. Such omission shall not be related to any aspect of the price of the Proposal. Failure of the Proposer to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Proposal.

Provided that the Proposal is substantially responsive, UNDP shall correct arithmetical errors as follows:

- a) if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the line item total that is obtained by multiplying the unit price by the quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the line item total shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of UNDP there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price, in which case the line item total as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected;

- b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and
- c) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to the above.

If the Proposer does not accept the correction of errors made by UNDP, its Proposal shall be rejected.

## **F. AWARD OF CONTRACT**

### **33. Right to Accept, Reject, or Render Non-Responsive Any or All Proposals**

UNDP reserves the right to accept or reject any Proposal, to render any or all of the Proposals as non-responsive, and to reject all Proposals at any time prior to award of contract, without incurring any liability, or obligation to inform the affected Proposer(s) of the grounds for UNDP's action. Furthermore, UNDP shall not be obliged to award the contract to the lowest price offer.

UNDP shall also verify, and immediately reject their respective Proposal, if the Proposers are found to appear in the UN's Consolidated List of Individuals and Entities with Association to Terrorist Organizations, in the List of Vendors Suspended or Removed from the UN Secretariat Procurement Division Vendor Roster, the UN Ineligibility List, and other such lists that as may be established or recognized by UNDP policy on Vendor Sanctions. (See <http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/protest-and-sanctions.html> for details)

### **34. Award Criteria**

Prior to expiration of the period of proposal validity, UNDP shall award the contract to the qualified Proposer with the highest total score based on the evaluation method indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS nos. 25 and 32).

### **35. Right to Vary Requirements at the Time of Award**

At the time of award of Contract, UNDP reserves the right to vary the quantity of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty five per cent (25%) of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.

### **36. Contract Signature**

Within fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of the Contract, the successful Proposer shall sign and date the Contract and return it to UNDP.

Failure of the successful Proposer to comply with the requirement of RFP Clause 35 and this provision shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award, and forfeiture of the Proposal Security if any, and on which event, UNDP may award the Contract to the Proposer with the second highest rated Proposal, or call for new Proposals.

### **37. Performance Security**

A performance security, if required, shall be provided in the amount and form provided in Section 9 and by the deadline indicated in the **Data Sheet** (DS no. 14), as applicable. Where a Performance Security will be required, the submission of the said document, and the confirmation of its acceptance by UNDP, shall be a condition for the effectivity of the Contract that will be signed by and between the successful Proposer and UNDP.

### **38. Bank Guarantee for Advanced Payment**

Except when the interests of UNDP so require, it is the UNDP's preference to make no advanced payment(s) on contracts (i.e., payments without having received any outputs). In the event that the Proposer requires an advanced payment upon contract signature, and if such request is duly accepted by UNDP, and the said advanced payment exceeds 20% of the total proposal price, or exceed the amount of USD 30,000, UNDP shall require the Proposer to submit a Bank Guarantee in the same amount as the advanced payment. A bank guarantee for advanced payment shall be furnished in the form provided in Section 10.

### **39. Vendor Protest**

UNDP's vendor protest procedure provides an opportunity for appeal to those persons or firms not awarded a purchase order or contract through a competitive procurement process. In the event that a Proposer believes that it was not treated fairly, the following link provides further details regarding UNDP vendor protest procedures:

<http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/protest-and-sanctions/>



## Instructions to Proposers

### DATA SHEET

The following data for the services to be procured shall complement, supplement, or amend the provisions in the Instruction to Proposers. In the case of a conflict between the Instructions to Proposers, the Data Sheet, and other annexes or references attached to the Data Sheet, the provisions in the Data Sheet shall govern.

DS No.	Cross Ref. to Instructions	Data	Specific Instructions / Requirements
1		Project Title :	Project: Restoration of Governance and Reconciliation in Crisis-Affected Communities of Ukraine.
2		Title of Services/Work:	Capacity building training and technical assistance services for project proposal elaboration and project management in 20 partner communities of the Donetsk and Luhansk Oblasts of Ukraine
3		Country / Region of Work Location:	Ukraine/Government controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts
4	C.13	Language of the Proposal:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ukrainian/Russian
5	C.20	Conditions for Submitting Proposals for Parts or sub-parts of the TOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Allowed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not allowed
6	C.20	Conditions for Submitting Alternative Proposals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shall not be considered <input type="checkbox"/> Shall be considered.
7	C.22	A pre-proposal conference will be held on:	Time: 11-00 Date: May 26, 2017 Address: 28, Institutska str., Kyiv

			<p>Skype Conference shall be supported for interested bidders unable to attend the Pre-Bidding Conference. Interested bidders are required to register for Pre- Bidding Conference by submitting their company name, list of attending representatives and their contact information as well as Skype ID (for bidders willing to participating via Skype Conference) at the following email:</p> <p>procurement.ua@undp.org</p> <p>Attn: Procurement Unit</p> <p>Subject: <b><u>32-2017-UNDP-UKR-RFP-RPP</u></b> – Pre-Bidding Conference Registration</p> <p>Contact person: Procurement Unit  Telephone: +38 044 253 93 63  Fax: +38 044 253 2607  e-mail: procurement.ua@undp.org</p>
8	C.21	Period of Proposal Validity commencing on the submission date	<input type="checkbox"/> 60 days <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 90 days <input type="checkbox"/> 120 days
9	B.9.5 C.15.4 b)	Proposal Security	<input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required
10	B.9.5	Acceptable forms of Proposal Security	N/A
11	B.9.5 C.15.4 a)	Validity of Proposal Security	N/A
12		Advanced Payment upon signing of contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Allowed up to a maximum of 20% of contract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not allowed
13		Liquidated Damages	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Will not be imposed <input type="checkbox"/> Will be imposed under the following conditions: Percentage of contract price per day of delay: 0.1% Max. no. of days of delay : 30

			After which UNDP may terminate the contract.
14	F.37	Performance Security	<input type="checkbox"/> May be Required from winning entity upon discretion of UNDP based on the degree of risks involved in the performance of the work, and other factors Amount:10 % of the contract amount Form: Bank guarantee  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required
15	C.17, C.17 b)	Preferred Currency of Proposal and Method for Currency conversion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>United States Dollars (US\$) – strongly advised to use as a risk mitigation measure against the impact of the local currency devaluation.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Euro <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Currency  <i>Reference date for determining UN Operational Exchange Rate: June 2017, please refer to <a href="http://treasury.un.org">treasury.un.org</a></i>
16	B.10.1	Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications/questions	5 days before the submission date.
17	B.10.1	Contact Details for submitting clarifications/questions	Focal Person in UNDP: Procurement Unit Address:1, Klovsky Uzviz, 01021 Kyiv, Ukraine  Tel No.:+38 044 253 9363 Fax No.:+38 044 253 2607 E-mail address dedicated for this purpose: <a href="mailto:procurement.ua@undp.org">procurement.ua@undp.org</a>
18	B.11.1	Manner of Disseminating Supplemental Information to the RFP and responses/clarifications to queries	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct communication to prospective Proposers by email or fax <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Direct communication to prospective Proposers by email or fax, and Posting on the website <a href="http://procurement-notices.undp.org">http://procurement-notices.undp.org</a>
19	D.23.3	No. of copies of Proposal that must be submitted [if transmitted by courier]	Original : 1 Copies : 0

20	D.23.1 D.23.2 D.24	Proposal Submission Address	<p>For Technical and Financial proposals:  <a href="mailto:tenders.ua@undp.org">tenders.ua@undp.org</a>  <b>Please note that proposals received through any other address will not be considered.</b></p>
21	C.21 D.24	Deadline of Submission	<b>Date and Time: June 1, 2017 23:59 Kyiv time</b>
22	D.23.2	Allowable Manner of Submitting Proposals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electronic submission of Bid - for Technical and Financial Proposals submission
23	D.23.2 D.26	Conditions and Procedures for electronic submission and opening, if allowed	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Official Address for e-submission:  <a href="mailto:tenders.ua@undp.org">tenders.ua@undp.org</a></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Format : PDF files preferred in <b>ZIP archives only. ZIP archive with Financial Proposal must be password protected (other types of archive can cause failure during opening of proposals)</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Password <u>must not</u> be provided to UNDP until the date and time of Proposal Opening as indicated in No. 24 <b><i>and before the UNDP request. Procurement Unit will contact the proposers in writing to request provision of the password to Financial proposal.</i></b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Max. File Size per transmission: [5 MB]</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Max. No. of transmission : [3]</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No. of copies to be transmitted : [1]</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory subject of email :  <b><u>32-2017-UNDP-UKR-RFP-RPP</u></b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Virus Scanning Software to be used prior to transmission: <i>[Files should not contain any viruses or malware software.]</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Digital Certification/Signature: <b><i>Please protect your financial proposal (archive) with password!</i></b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Time Zone to be Recognized: [Kyiv ]</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other conditions: <i>Proposers are solely responsible for ensuring that any and all files sent to UNDP are readable, that is, uncorrupted, in the indicated electronic format, and free from viruses and malware. Failure to provide readable files will result in the proposal being rejected.</i></p>
24	D.23.1	Date, time and venue for opening of Proposals	Not applicable for public bid opening.

25	E.29.2 E.29.3 F.34	Evaluation method to be used in selecting the most responsive Proposal	<input type="checkbox"/> Lowest financial offer of technically qualified Proposals <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Combined Scoring Method, using the 70%-30% distribution for technical and financial proposals, respectively <input type="checkbox"/> Combined Scoring Method, using 60%-40% distribution for technical and financial proposals, respectively
26	C.15.1	Required Documents that must be Submitted to Establish Qualification of Proposers (In "Certified True Copy" form only)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Company Profile, which should <u>not</u> exceed fifteen (15) pages, including printed brochures and product catalogues relevant to the goods/services being procured <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax Registration/Payment Certificate issued by the Internal Revenue Authority evidencing that the Bidder is updated with its tax payment obligations, or Certificate of Tax exemption, if any such privilege is enjoyed by the Bidder <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Registration of the business, including Articles of Incorporation, or equivalent document if Bidder is not a corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Official Letter of Appointment as local representative, if Bidder is submitting a Bid in behalf of an entity located outside the country <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Latest Audited Financial Statement (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) including Auditor's Report for the past 2 years <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statement of Satisfactory Performance from the Top 2 Clients in terms of Contract Value for the past 2 years
27		Other documents that may be Submitted to Establish Eligibility	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Duly signed Technical and financial (password protected) proposals as per Sections 4-7; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> List of clients highlighting similar contracts for clients of comparable business nature and/or size as UNDP/UN and/or implemented projects funded by international technical assistance organizations and donors.
28	C.15	Structure of the Technical Proposal ( <i>only if different from the provision of Section 12</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Profile of the organization (creation date, size, number of employees, information about basic staff);

			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter of interest / letter of offer, which briefly describes the methodology and / or approach to work ; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed work schedule with a list of key activities and events; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Describe approach to the job of conducting trainings and counseling. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Description of experience and resumes of team members (team leader, assistant and trainers) including information on previous participation in the implementation of similar projects / tasks and at least two references from customers. Participation in projects related to the reform of decentralization.  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At least two references from the customers
29	C.15.2	Latest Expected date for commencement of Contract	July, 2017
30	C.15.2	Expected duration of contract (Target Commencement Date and Completion Date)	Estimated July 2017 - December 2017
31		UNDP will award the contract to:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One Proposer only <input type="checkbox"/> One or several Proposers, based on the following conditions:
32	E.29.2 F.34	Criteria for the Award of Contract and Evaluation of Proposals	(See Tables below)
33	E.29.4	Post-Qualification Actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of the information provided by the bidder on the legal, technical and financial documents submitted; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Validation of extent of compliance to the RFP requirements and evaluation criteria based on what has so far been found by the evaluation team; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with jurisdiction on the bidder, or any other entity that may have done business with the bidder; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inquiry and reference checking with other

			previous clients on the quality of performance on ongoing or previous contracts completed; <input type="checkbox"/> Others
34		Conditions for Determining Contract Effectivity	<input type="checkbox"/> UNDP's receipt of Performance Bond <input type="checkbox"/> UNDP's receipt of Professional Indemnity Insurance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <i>Mutual signature of Acts of Acceptance</i>
35		Other Information Related to the RFP	<p><b><u>Administrative Requirements:</u></b></p> <p>Submitted offers will be reviewed on "Pass" or "Fail" basis to determine compliance with the below formal criteria/ requirement s:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Offers must be submitted within the stipulated deadline</li> <li>✓ Offers must meet required Offer Validity</li> <li>✓ Offers have been signed by the proper authority</li> <li>✓ Offers include requested company documentation, documentation regarding the company's/organization legal status and registration</li> <li>✓ Offers must comply with general administrative requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- properly registered company/organization</li> <li>- at least 3 years company/organization experience</li> </ul> </li> <li>✓ Compliance the General Rules and Regulations of UNDP. Available by the link:  <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/img/corporate/procurement/infoforbidders/GTCsforcontracts-Goods-and-or-Services-2015.pdf">http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/img/corporate/procurement/infoforbidders/GTCsforcontracts-Goods-and-or-Services-2015.pdf</a> </li> </ul> <p>Other information is available on  <a href="http://procurement-notices.undp.org">http://procurement-notices.undp.org</a>  For the information, please contact  <a href="mailto:procurement.ua@undp.org">procurement.ua@undp.org</a> </p>

A two-stage procedure is utilized in evaluating the proposals, with evaluation of the technical proposal being completed prior to any price proposal being opened and compared. The price proposal of the Proposals will be opened only for submissions that passed the minimum technical score of 70% of the obtainable score of 700 points in the evaluation of the technical proposals.

In the First Stage, the technical proposal is evaluated on the basis of its responsiveness to the Terms of Reference (TOR) and as per Evaluation Criteria specified in the tables below. In the Second Stage, the price proposal of all

contractors, who have attained minimum 70% score in the technical evaluation will be reviewed.

Overall evaluation will be completed in accordance with cumulative analysis scheme, under which the technical and financial aspects will have pre-assigned weights of 70% and 30% of the overall score respectively. The lowest cost financial proposal (out of technically compliant) will be selected as a baseline and allocated the maximum number of points obtainable for financial part (i.e. 300). All other financial proposals will receive a number of points inversely proportional to their quoted price; e.g.,  $[300 \text{ points}] \times [\text{lowest price}] / [\text{quoted price}]$ .

The winning proposal will be the one with the highest number of points after the points obtained in both technical and financial evaluations, respectively, are added up. The contract will be awarded to the Offeror/s that submitted the winning proposal/s.



## Evaluation and comparison of proposals

Summarized evaluation form of the technical proposal		Share of evaluation	Maximum score	Company / Other organization			
1	Experience of the company / organization that submits proposal	30%	200				
2	Proposed work plan, methodology and approach	35%	250				
3	Staff and invited experts / consultants	35%	250				
Total score		100%	700				
Remarks							

Technical evaluation forms are provided at the next pages. The maximal points obtainable as per each criterion indicate the relative importance or score weight in general evaluation process.

### Technical Evaluation Forms:

Form 1. Experience of the company / organization submitting the proposal

Form 2. Proposed work plan, methodology and approach

Form 3. Personnel and invited experts/consultants

### Technical Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation of the Technical Proposal Form 1		Maximum score	Company/other organization		
			A	B	C
The experience of the company / organization submitting the proposal					
1.1	General organizational capacity (e.g., size of firm / organization, effectiveness of planning and training, reputation of the organization and personnel competence / relevant experience) and the duration of work in the market, experience In project target regions (three years- 10 points, 4-5 years - 20 points, more than 5 years - 40 points).	40			
1.2	Experience of the company / organization in the area of study module design in 1) consulting on the organizational development or project design, 2) training, consulting or the organizational development or fundraising (at least 2 study modules developed - 15 points; 3-5 modules -25 points, more than 6 modules - 35 points)	35			
1.3	Experience company / organization in: curriculum development and implementation of training programs of short-term training for heads of local governments, NGOs, government organizations, utility companies, initiative groups in communities and towns of Ukraine (up to 3 years – 10 points, 4-7 years – 20 points, more than 7 years – 30 points)	30			
1.4	Experience of the company / organization in the area of consulting on the organizational development or project design, as evidenced, for example, by the quantity of raised funding for the implementation of the developed projects (at	35			

	least 3 successful projects developed – 15 points, 3-5 projects – 25 points, more than 5 projects - 35 points)				
1.5	Experience of cooperation with international organizations	10			
1.6	Presentation of recommendations from past customers (including international organizations) regarding implementation of likely tasks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of recommendations 2 - 10 points;</li> <li>• Presentation 3 recommendations - 15 points;</li> <li>• Presentation 4 or more recommendations - 20 points</li> </ul>	20			
1.7	Experience with assignments in the Eastern region of Ukraine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in the Donetsk region - 5 points;</li> <li>• Experience in Lugansk regions - 5 points;</li> </ul>	10			
1.8	Experience in preparing information and analytical materials on administrative reform and / or development of local self-governance, including on communities' fundraising	10			
1.9	Organization's/team members' experience in fundraising for authorities and self-governance.	10			
	<b>Total score on Form 1</b>	<b>200</b>			

Evaluation of the Technical Proposal Form 2		Maximum score	Company/other organization		
			A	B	C
The proposed work plan, methodology and approach					
2.1	Does the submitted technical offer sufficiently meet the objective and scope of work? The Technical Proposal generally meets the objectives and scope of work - 25 points; The Technical Proposal corresponds well to the task, but workload overstated / understated - 50 points; The Technical Proposal is logical and details the algorithm of the task which is corresponding to the volume of work - 70 points	70			
2.2	How well developed, reasonable and reliable is the methodology of implementation of Services? The methodology was developed with an incomplete understanding of current realities and compliance with the tasks – up to 30 points; The methodology logically describes a sequence of works – up to 60 points; The methodology includes thorough criteria that demonstrate its feasibility – up to 90 points	90			
2.3	How well developed and reliable is the approach to deliver project development, training and consulting services for 20 community partners in the Donetsk and Lugansk regions? The developed approach contains separate inconsistencies - 30 points;	90			

	Good approach, but low reliability on realism - 60 points; The organization has shown perfect approach which fully complies with reality - 90 points				
	<b>Total score on Form 2</b>	250			

Evaluation of the Technical Proposal Form 3		Maximum score	Company/other organization		
			A	B	C
Personnel					
	Team Leader				
3.1	Experience in economic development, consultancy or organizational learning and / or proposal development (5-7 years - 10 points, 8-10 years -15 points, more than 10 years - 20 points)	20			
3.2	Experience in project management and / or leadership of teams that conducted regular or special education of local government leaders, NGOs, government organizations, utility companies, initiative groups in communities and towns of Ukraine (5-7 years - 10 points, 8-10 years - 15 points, more than 10 years – 25 points)	25			
3.3	Higher education in the fields of: "Economy", "Law", "Management", "Social Science" or related (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master" - 7 points, "PhD" or above - 10 points)	10			
3.4	English proficiency (medium - 5 points; above average - 7 points; fluent - 10)	10			
3.5	Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian	5			
	Interim score by criteria 3.1 – 3.5	70			
	Key Expert/trainer-Methodist				
4.1	At least 5 years of experience as professional coach (teacher, methodologist) at courses of organizational development or related courses for adult audiences (5-7 years - 10 points, 8-10 years - 15 points, more than 10 years – 25 points)	25			
4.2	Experience in developing curricula for training focused on the needs of public authorities (government) including territorial development; experience in organizing and conducting coaching; (1-2 projects / events - 10 points, 3-5 projects / events -15 points, more than 5 projects / events - 20 points)	20			
4.3	Higher education in the field of marketing, economics, finance, law, management, business administration, organizational management, social sciences, public administration or related field (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master" - 7 points, "PhD" or	10			

	above - 10 points)				
4.4	English proficiency (basic - 5 points; medium - 7 points; advanced – 10 points)	10			
4.5	Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian	5			
	Interim score by criteria 4.1 – 4.5	70			
	<b>Expert/trainer Nr1</b>				
5.1	Experience as professional coach (teacher) at courses of organizational development or related courses for adult audiences and curriculum development for training focused on the needs of government, self-governance (3 years - 10 points, 4-5 years - 15 points more 5 years - 20 points)	20			
5.2	Experience of advising on capacity development and proposal development of business associations, NGOs, CSOs or commercial organizations (3 years – 10 points, 4-5 years -15 points, more than 5 years - 20 points)	20			
5.3	Higher education in the field of marketing, economics, finance, law, management, business administration, organizational management, social sciences, public administration or related field (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master" - 5 points, "PhD" or above - 10 points)	10			
5.4	Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian	5			
	Interim score by criteria 5.1 – 5.4	55			
	<b>Expert/trainer Nr2</b>				
6.1	Experience as professional coach (teacher) at courses of organizational development or related courses for adult audiences and curriculum development for training focused on the needs of government, self-governance (3 years - 10 points, 4-5 years - 15 points more 5 years - 20 points)	20			
6.2	Experience of advising on capacity development and proposal development of business associations, NGOs, CSOs or commercial organizations (3 years – 10 points, 4-5 years -15 points, more than 5 years - 20 points)	20			
6.3	Higher education in the field of marketing, economics, finance, law, management, business administration, organizational management, social sciences, public administration or related field (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master" - 5 points, "PhD" or above - 10 points)	10			
6.4	Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian	5			
	Interim score by criteria 6.1 – 6.4	55			
	<b>Total score on Form 3</b>	250			

## Section 3: Terms of Reference (TOR)

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**Project title:** «Restoration of Governance and Reconciliation in Crisis-Affected Communities of Ukraine», Recovery and Peacebuilding Programme

**Description of the assignment:**

«Capacity building training and technical assistance services for project proposal elaboration and project management in 20 partner communities of the Donetsk and Luhansk Oblasts of Ukraine»

**Country/place of implementation:** Ukraine, parts of the Donetska and Luhanska regions under government control

**Possible travels (if applicable):** travels within Ukraine

**Starting date of the assignment:** June 2017

**The term of the assignment/or end date (if applicable):** December 2017

**Name and position of Project Manager:** Liudmyla Skoropada/ Recovery and Peacebuilding Programme Coordinator

### I. PREAMBLE

#### Objective

The «Restoration of Governance and Reconciliation in Crisis-Affected Communities of Ukraine» Programme is implemented by the UNDP and funded by the European Union. The overall objective of the Programme is to restore good governance and promote restoration of peace and reconciliation in the Donetsk and Lugansk regions of Ukraine, which have been affected by the crisis. The program is implemented by the UNDP in Ukraine and UN Women in partnership with the Ministry of Regional Development, Construction, Housing and Communal Services of Ukraine, with the regional authorities, and with other governmental and non-governmental organizations at the national and regional levels.

The objectives of the Program and particularly of the "Local Governance and Decentralization Reform Component " are:

1. Improved regional and local government capacity in recovery planning and service delivery, that is gender-responsive, participatory and in line with decentralization and local government reform agenda.

Project beneficiaries, in particular, include: local self-governance (state authorities of the regions, cities and administrative centers, as well as newly established communities) in the Donetsk and Lugansk regions of Ukraine.

#### Background

Long-standing governance deficits in Ukraine, existing at all levels, have been exacerbated. “The ongoing conflict in eastern Ukraine has had a direct and highly negative impact on social cohesion, resilience, livelihoods, community security, and the rule of law”, as identified through the recent “*Recovery and Peacebuilding Assessment (RPA)*”. Displacement, fear, and diminishing levels of trust are acute social problems, and conflict-related distress across communities is widespread. While social fragmentation, prejudices, regional divides, and low levels of trust in local authorities and institutions existed prior to the crisis, these have been exacerbated as a result of the conflict, in particular in the Donbas region itself.

Targeted support for the Donbas region is crucial for addressing low levels of trust in local authorities and institutions that are further constrained by increasing socio-economic pressures caused by large-scale displacements of local populations, as well as the steepest economic decline the Donbas has seen since the Soviet era. Strengthening the capacity of local governments by improving transparency, accountability, awareness of gender inequalities and responsiveness to community needs is fundamental if decentralization and other reforms are to have a meaningful impact. Integration of a gender perspective, as well as of interventions specifically targeting women affected by the conflict, are critical in this endeavor.

Women are affected by the conflict disproportionately due to persistent gender inequality and discrimination, deepened gender stereotypes putting key emphasis on men as protectors and heroes, and on women as caring supporters. They have limited access to the income generation activities, social services and childcare. Women's participation in community security and conflict resolution remains extremely low. According to results of the Donetsk local authorities' capacity assessment, while women represent a majority in the local government bodies, their capacity to influence the decisions is insignificant.

Implementation of the reform in the conflict-affected areas that considers needs and contributions of women, particularly the most vulnerable, is of renewed urgency due to the severe impact that the war is having on social cohesion, community security and the resilience of vulnerable groups. Integration of a gender perspective as well as of interventions specifically targeting women affected by the conflict throughout the reform, regional and local planning are critical to respond to the disproportionate impact as well as needs faced by women, particularly most vulnerable, through and improving their access to service delivery, community security and social cohesion.

In this context, the Programme «Restoration of Governance and Reconciliation in Crisis-Affected Communities of Ukraine» intends to achieve its objectives by implementing the following components: 1) Economic and social revival of Donbass; (2) Local Governance and Decentralization Reform, 3) Community security and social cohesion; 4) Enhanced capacity of gender equality advocates and women.

Within the «Local Governance and Decentralization Reform Component», the Program plans to provide capacity building and technical assistance services regarding the development of project proposals and in project management. This activity will strengthen the capacity of local authorities of community partners to enable them to successfully fundraise and attract resources from external sources (e.g., access

to the State Fund for Regional Development and to international donor funds (e.g. EIB<sup>1</sup> loans) and could implement both regional and local strategies for their socio-economic development.

## II. MAIN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The main goal the current assignment is strengthening the capacity of 20 community partners in the Donetsk and Lugansk regions regarding the development of project proposals and in project management. through: 1) conducting a series of four-day training and examination of residual knowledge/skills for 20 communities on the issue of drafting proposals, fundraising and project management, 2) a full cycle consulting support of drafting proposals by the communities (2 project applications to be prepared in each of the 20 communities) on the issues of local development and with due community participation.

It is expected that participants from each community partner (each group will include up to 20 people) will take part in one of the 4-day training for each community that will be held at a retreat (at a conference center in feasible proximity to the community), and will contain the following three modules: "Development of a Project Proposal in an application form", "Fundraising" and "Project Management". Significant attention should be paid to: a) integrated perception of the participants of the training content and b) development of practical skills that can be confirmed by completed assignments on the project management and design, c) evolution of team interaction skills in the learning process, and d) keeping training groups active and attentive, avoiding their inactivity and absenteeism of some group members. At the stage when the development of the second project application is nearing completion, the current Assignment includes an examination of residual knowledge and skills of participants in training study groups, an activity based on the location of a community or as a retreat event. It is recommended, for avoiding subjectivity and any biased assessments, to conduct measurement of knowledge by those of the Implementer/Contractor's experts who have not been directly involved in the training of these specific communities. The aim of this Examination is not evaluating the effectiveness of the Implementer/Contractor<sup>2</sup> but the understanding of the true situation regarding the integrity and depth of learning of the participants, and to identify practically-oriented additional training needs of this group in the areas of proposals development, projects implementation, and fundraising.

**Attention:** the cost of coffee breaks, office supplies, rental facilities, and other costs for technical support of training or moderated meeting (excluding transport) do not need to be included in the budget proposal. UNDP as a Customer of the Services will pay these costs separately and independently. However, your proposal must include a description of these (training and meeting) events for the Customer's understanding of their volume and options.

The development (provision) of these products and services should be held in 20 communities of the Luhansk and Donetsk regions of Ukraine. The representatives of twenty community partners of the project are: Bahmutska City Council, Vuhledarska City Council, Druzhkivska City Council, Kramatorska City

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<sup>1</sup> EIB stands here for European Investment Bank that cooperates with UNDP.

<sup>2</sup> UNDP understands that the participants, most of whom are at the basic stage of development on their project management skills, and have only limited experience of the project cycle, cannot become professionals in this area after only one cycle of training, but we believe that after this training they will already acquire critical skills and practical knowledge and will be able to see an integral picture of the project cycle.

Council, Lymanska ATH<sup>3</sup> City Council, Mariupolska City Council, Slovianska City Council, Cherkasska ATH Settlement Council, Mykolayivska ATH City Council, Velykonovosilkivska Settlement Council of the Donetsk region; Bilovods'ka Settlement Council, Bilokurakynska ATH Village Council, Krasnorichenska Settlement Council, Kreminska City Council, Markivska Settlement Council, Novoaydarska Settlement Council, Novopskovska ATH Village Council, Popasnyanska City Council, Troyitska ATH Village Council, Chmyrivska ATH Village Council of the Luhansk region of Ukraine. UNDP will provide contact persons' data of community partners to the respective Implementers.

### **III. SCOPE OF WORK AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES**

Within the period from June to December 2017, the Contractor must implement the following activities approved by the UNDP:

- Develop a complete methodology for the assignment implementation, including: 1) conducting a series of four-day training and examination of residual knowledge/skills for 20 communities on the issue of drafting proposals, fundraising and project management, 2) a full cycle consulting support of drafting proposals by the communities (2 project applications to be prepared in each of the 20 communities) on the issues of local development and with due community participation.

Estimated implementation period: 2 weeks , until June 30, 2017

- Design a study course (three modules: "Development of a Project Proposal in an application form", "Fundraising" and "Project Management", in total 4 days in 1 cycle containing three training modules for 1 group of 1 community, each day must include 2 coffee breaks and a lunch for participants; a combination of theoretical and practical elements of each training day is mandatory; the use of input and output questionnaires is mandatory to conduct initial (expectations and level) and final (feedback) surveys of participants), in form of a document pack containing: goals and objectives of the course, a methodical unit, theoretical materials, practical handouts and tools to test participants' knowledge, tools for collecting the expectations of participants and participants' feedback.

Estimated implementation period: 2 weeks, until July 15, 2017.

- Within the first part of field results, hold one 4-day training for each of the 20 communities (provide supporting photo materials, visitor lists, results of knowledge testing) the training shall contain the following three modules: "Development of a Project Proposal in an application form", "Fundraising" and "Project Management. Each training is to be held at a retreat (at a conference center in feasible proximity to the community). The total coverage for all trainings shall reach 400 people: 20 participants from each of 20 communities. The following cross-cutting themes shall be considered in the design of the training contents: "The human rights-based approach (HRBA)" and "Gender equality".

Estimated implementation period: 10 weeks, until September 23, 2017.

- Within the second part of field results, based on the location of each of 20 communities' management bodies, hold a cycle of technical assistance and consulting support, resulting in: each of the 20 communities successfully applied 2 grants proposals to donors in Ukraine, including to the State Fund for Regional

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<sup>3</sup> ATH here stands for Amalgamated Territorial Hromada (community)



Development (provide supporting photo materials, visitor lists, results of work: developed 2 proposals \* 20 communities).

Estimated implementation period: 16 weeks, within August 1 to November 21, 2017.

- Within the second part of field results, organize and hold an examination of residual knowledge and skills of all available participants of 20 training study groups, with the goal of understanding of the true situation regarding the integrity and depth of learning of the participants, and to identify practically-oriented additional training needs of this group in the areas of proposals development, projects implementation, and fundraising.

Estimated implementation period: 3 weeks, within November 22 to December 12, 2017.

- Finalize results of training and consulting support for each of the 20 partners and thus provide a Final report on the assignment, which, in addition to the above mentioned study products and proofs of their delivery, shall also include: 1) an analysis of examination of residual knowledge and skills of all study groups participants available, 2) Analysis of practically-oriented additional training needs of this group in the areas of proposals development, projects implementation, and fundraising.

Estimated implementation period: 10 days, until December 22, 2017.

## **REQUIREMENTS TO FINAL PRODUCTS**

The educational service "A four-day training on the issue of drafting proposals, fundraising and project management" for a group of 20 participants from each of the 20 community partners shall include the following components:

- Available training curriculum containing: goals and objectives of the course, a methodical unit, theoretical materials, practical handouts and tools to test participants' knowledge, tools for collecting the expectations of participants and participants' feedback.
- A separate training lasting 4 days in total to 1 cycle of training for each of the 20 community partners. The duration of each day of training should not be less than 7 hours, but cannot be more than 10 hours. (when calculated without time for a lunch break);
- The training consists of three training modules for 1 group containing 20 people from 1 community.
- Forming of each group shall be made using the criteria of gender equality and vulnerability as well as against the judgement of future potential of each potential group member for the community's successful project management.
- Each training day shall include 2 coffee breaks (15029 min.) and a lunch for participants (1 hour).
- The training shall include at least the following issues (but not be limited to them): project design logic and system of mutual dependencies, familiarity with the project application form of the State Fund for Regional Development; familiarization with the project application form of the European Investment Bank (EIB).
- It is recommended to limit each study session to 90 min.
- A combination of theoretical and practical elements of each training day is mandatory;
- the use of input and output participants' questionnaires is mandatory;
- The following items are mandatory supplies for each training participant: a folder with training summary or presentation; a paper notebook; a pen for notes; an identification badge.

The consulting service «Full cycle of consulting support of drafting proposals by the communities (2 project applications to be prepared in each of the 20 communities) on the issues of local development and with due community participation» for a group of 20 participants in each of 20 community partners, shall include the following components:

- Each expert spends at least 3 days in the field working in each community to determine priorities and project ideas, and to create the elements of the project application.
- Each expert provides at least 5 days of remote support services to every community per one application; to finalize it and ensure documentary procedures are met regarding the submission.
- The expert assigned to the community is responsible for adequate representation of both applications of this community to the donor(s);
- As a result of the provision of consulting support to each of the 20 community partners, 2 project applications from each community partner are developed and submitted to the external donor organizations. It is expected that one of the applications in each community will be presented to the international donor with the office in Ukraine, and the second application will be submitted to the State Fund for Regional Development (DFRR).
- The process should include the following features: intensity, transparency, due participation of the training group (in form of moderated seminars, workshops).
- Each product (project application) should contain elements of the following cross-cutting themes: "The human rights-based approach (HRBA)" and "Gender equality" - that is, the respective indicators in appropriate amounts need to be integrated in project proposals in accordance with the requirements of donors to which these applications are to be submitted, and shall be subject to the minimum requirements on behalf of UNDP.
- As evidence of advisory services for each day of field work, the Contractor will need to provide: photos, scans or photos of interim results, an electronic summary document of performance results.
- For each community, as a result of delivery of consulting services, the Contractor is required to provide the following to the UNDP: texts of the two elaborated proposals and confirmation of their submission to the relevant donors; summary of findings on the strengths and weaknesses and the potential of the group.

The consulting service «Examination of residual knowledge and skills of training participants» for a group of 20 participants in each of 20 community partners, shall include the following components:

- The examination is to be conducted based on the community location or as a retreat event;.
- It is recommended, for avoiding subjectivity and any biased assessments, to conduct measurement of knowledge by those of the Implementer/Contractor's experts who have not been directly involved in the training of these specific communities.
- As a result of delivery of the service, the Contractor gains understanding of the true situation regarding the integrity and depth of learning of the participants;
- As a result of delivery of the service, the Contractor identifies practically-oriented additional training needs of this group in each of 20 communities in the areas of proposals development, projects implementation, and fundraising

- The combination of written (possibly in electronic form) and oral forms of examination is mandatory
- It is mandatory to present evaluation and verification of the practical task by each group member based on the training course.

Please note that under the conditions of this RFP, all information materials developed by the Implementer/Contractor for public distribution under this assignment must be pre-approved by the UNDP as a Customer.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS TO METHODOLOGY OF SERVICE PROVISION:**

### **General recommendations**

The Implementer (Contractor) is responsible for maintaining the intermediate and final data on the provision of Services, it is, specifically, recommended: post all documents, even their intermediate versions, on a virtual disk with a backup to local hard drive, to ensure that the data collection and processing is made easier and faster.

The Implementer (Contractor) is responsible for ensuring proper security of project team members. It is recommended to consult with UNDP on security in the region, especially before the field phase of the assignment. Regarding those community partners where security situation is unstable, please be advised to organize moderated meetings as a retreat, in due proximity to the community.

**Equipment to be provided by the UNDP** (i.e. what should not be included in the quotation): The Program pays, separately and independently, the cost the following events, focus group discussions and other meetings with the community, generally at least 3 meetings with each community (including only the following: the cost of stationery and coffee breaks, as well as rent of premises for meetings and moderated training) and therefore the above-mentioned costs do not need to be included in the budget proposal, but the scope of these events should be described.

To optimize the time of the assignment, the composition of the project team should include, in addition to the office manager and financial specialist, at least 3 Experts/Trainers, of which 1 person - should be a Key Expert / Trainer, responsible for integrating the results of other experts in the final product per each community. These team members can work in parallel during field phase. The Contractor can also involve additional experts to facilitate service delivery in parallel. In addition, the Implementer should complement the team with one, or preferably two data processing specialists (one of which can serve as Administrative Assistant while another one can implement the Examination of residual knowledge/skills), and who can also work simultaneously and process information collected by Experts/Trainers.

### **Recommendations as to modes of beneficiary participation:**

Regarding the development of project proposals at the consulting support stage, the Contractor/Implementer is encouraged to work in partner communities with some involvement of

beneficiaries to participate, but most documents must be developed by the Implementer without excessive load on partner communities. Intervention in the community should be limited to consulting with key informants, but never in form of demand of all necessary statistical information from these communities, - the data that the communities are often unable to prepare. The Contractor must critically evaluate any information coming from the communities, and use a balanced approach in assessing the data and community potential. However, the Contractor is obliged to collect other information to develop documents for each community including the form of Facilitated seminars (workshops).

The Implementer of the assignment must contact, at least once, with the members of the working group on Security, established under the Program, during the assignment, in all 20 partners to obtain information useful for the proposals. The UNDP will provide names of Contact persons responsible for the organization of these working groups.

The Implementer ensures compliance with transparency criteria in the provision of Services. This means that the Implementer must: a) place announcements about the beginning of the study course, and the start of consulting support, in all communities b) during the consulting support, provide all interested members of a training group in each community with paper and electronic methods of submission (in free format), of their expectations, feedback and proposals for this training.

## **GENERAL OPERATIONS**

1. Coordination with other partners of the UNDP Project «Restoration of Governance and Reconciliation in Crisis-Affected Communities of Ukraine» to provide for effective interaction where possible, and, first of all, with the Agencies for Regional Development of the Donetsk and Lugansk regions of Ukraine, on the issues related to the organization of training. In particular, the Implementer interacts with UNDP on the issue of obtaining analyzes and on-the spot evaluations of the project, including the results of gender analysis.

2. Ensuring the reference to UNDP and the European Union in all the products created under the Contract.

## **IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MONITORING/REPORTING**

The Contractor/Implementer organization will report within the project " **Restoration of Governance and Reconciliation in Crisis-Affected Communities of Ukraine** " to the Coordinator of the "Local Governance and Decentralization Reform component " of the Recovery and Peacebuilding Programme. Payments will be made in three stages per the proposed payment schedule below.

The Contractor/Implementer must adhere to the system of monitoring, evaluation and quality control implemented by the UNDP and provide the necessary information, reports and statistics according to the preset schedule or as soon as possible (within a reasonable time).

For all work completed Contractor shall submit to UNDP a Final Report, which includes a brief description of the work performed and results.

All reports and studies UNDP shall be transmitted electronically (Formats of: \* .docx, \* .xlsx, \* .pptx, \* .pdf) on electronic source or in the form of electronic communication with the attached final product, which is also accompanied by an official letter in paper version of the Contractor/Implementer about the data transmission of products to the UNDP. The studies/research should be written in Ukrainian.

### The proposed schedule of services and payments

Below is a description of the % of the total budget for each Lot that will be paid after receipt of the following outputs:

Nr. of output	Output description	Share (%)	Anticipated date of completion
1.	- Inception Report with the description of a complete methodology for the assignment implementation (capacity building training and technical assistance services for project proposal elaboration and project management in 20 partner communities, including: 1) conducting a series of four-day training and examination of residual knowledge/skills for 20 communities on the issue of drafting proposals, fundraising and project management, 2) a full cycle consulting support of drafting proposals by the communities (2 project applications to be prepared in each of the 20 communities) on the issues of local development and with due community participation, including: - Text of a developed study course (three modules, 4 days), containing: goals and objectives of the course, a methodical unit, theoretical materials, practical handouts and tools to test participants' knowledge, tools for collecting the expectations of participants and participants' feedback.	30%	until July 15, 2017
2.	- The First Interim Report containing a part of field results including: report on the outcomes of 4-day training for each of 20 communities, (with supporting photo materials, visitor lists, results of knowledge testing), with modules on: "Development of a Project Proposal in an application form", "Fundraising" and "Project Management".	40%	September 23, 2017
3.	- The Second Interim Report containing a part of field results including: report on the outcomes of consulting support and technical assistance in each of the 20 communities (with supporting photo materials, visitor lists, results of knowledge testing, work results: developed 2 project proposals * 20 communities). - Final report on the assignment containing results of the training held for each of the 20 community partners (prior products united), and also including: 1) an analysis of examination of residual knowledge and skills of all study groups participants available, 2) Analysis of practically-oriented additional training needs of this group in the areas of proposals development, projects implementation, and fundraising.	30%-	December 22, 2017
4.	Total	100%	

### V. EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- An officially registered educational organization (a university; a business school, an NGO) that has at least 3 years of experience in education;
- At least 2 training modules developed by the company / organization in the field of training, consulting in the organizational development or strategic development;
- At least 3 years of the proven experience in curriculum development and implementation of training programs of short-term training for heads of local governments, NGOs, government organizations, utility companies, initiative groups in communities and towns of Ukraine;

- Proven experience of the company / organization in the area of consulting or the organizational development or project design, as evidenced, for example, by the involvement of other funding for the projects developed (at least 3 successful projects developed);
- Experience of cooperation with international organizations;
- Presentation of 2 recommendations from past customers;
- Experience with assignments in the Eastern region of Ukraine;
- Experience in preparing information and analytical materials on administrative reform and / or development of local self-governance will be an advantage;
- Organization's/team members' experience in fundraising for authorities and self- governance.

The project team will include at least a Team leader and 3 experts:

- **Team Leader** – Higher education in the fields of: "Economy", "Law", "Management", "Social Science" or related (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master" or higher); Minimum 5 years of experience in economic development, consultancy or organizational learning and / or proposal development; Minimum 5 years of experience in project management and / or leadership of teams that conducted regular or special education of local government leaders, NGOs, government organizations, utility companies, initiative groups in communities and towns of Ukraine; Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian.; English proficiency (must be able to develop project reporting documents).

At least 3 Experts must be involved by the organization to the implementation of the assignment:

- **Key Expert/trainer-Methodist** –Higher education in the field of marketing, economics, finance, law, management, business administration, organizational management, social sciences, public administration or related field (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master or higher, PhD or higher will be an advantage; Experience in developing curricula for training focused on the needs of public authorities (government) including territorial development; experience in organizing and conducting coaching; at least 5 years of experience as professional coach (teacher, methodologist) at courses of organizational development or related courses for adult audiences; Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian; English proficiency (must be able to develop short analytical reviews ).
- **Expert/trainer Nr1** – Higher education in the field of marketing, economics, finance, law, management, business administration, organizational management, social sciences, public administration or related field (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master" or higher, PhD an advantage; At least 3 years of experience as professional coach (teacher) at courses of organizational development or related courses for adult audiences and curriculum development for training focused on the needs of government, self-governance; in proposal development; At least 3 years of experience of advising on capacity development of business associations, NGOs, CSOs or commercial organizations; Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian.
- **Expert/trainer Nr2** – Higher education in the field of marketing, economics, finance, law, management, business administration, organizational management, social sciences, public administration or related field (equivalent of educational qualification of "Specialist / Master" or higher, PhD an advantage; At least 3 years of experience as professional coach (teacher) at courses of organizational development or related courses for adult audiences and curriculum development for training focused on the needs of government, self-governance; in proposal development; At least 3 years of experience of advising on capacity development of business associations, NGOs, CSOs or commercial organizations; Fluency in Ukrainian and Russian.

## VI. EVALUATION CRITERIA

## **Evaluation and comparison of proposals**

A two-stage procedure is utilized in evaluating the proposals, with evaluation of the technical proposal being completed prior to any price proposal being opened and compared. The price proposals will be opened only for submissions that passed the minimum technical score of 70% (or 490 points) of the obtainable score of 700 points in the evaluation of the technical proposals.

In the First Stage, the technical proposal is evaluated based on its responsiveness to the Terms of Reference (TOR) and as per below Evaluation Criteria.

In the Second Stage, the price proposals of all offerors, who have attained minimum 70% score in the technical evaluation, will be reviewed.

Overall evaluation will be completed in accordance with cumulative analysis scheme, under which the technical and financial aspects will have pre-assigned weights on 70% and 30% of the overall score respectively. The lowest cost financial proposal (out of technically compliant) will be selected as a baseline and allocated the maximum number of points obtainable for financial part (i.e. 490). All other financial proposals will receive a number of points inversely proportional to their quoted price; e.g.  $490 \text{ points} \times \frac{\text{lowest price}}{\text{quoted price}}$ .

The winning proposal will be the one with the highest number of points after the points obtained in both technical and financial evaluations, respectively, are added up. The contract will be devoted to the bidder that submitted the winning proposal.

## Section 4: Proposal Submission Form<sup>4</sup>

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[insert: Location]

[insert: Date]

To: [insert: Name and Address of UNDP focal point]

Dear Sir/Madam:

We, the undersigned, hereby offer to provide professional services for [insert: title of services] in accordance with your Request for Proposal dated [insert: Date] and our Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes the Technical Proposal and Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelope.

We hereby declare that :

- a) All the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and we accept that any misrepresentation contained in it may lead to our disqualification;
- b) We are currently not on the removed or suspended vendor list of the UN or other such lists of other UN agencies, nor are we associated with, any company or individual appearing on the 1267/1989 list of the UN Security Council;
- c) We have no outstanding bankruptcy or pending litigation or any legal action that could impair our operation as a going concern; and
- d) We do not employ, nor anticipate employing, any person who is or was recently employed by the UN or UNDP.

We confirm that we have read, understood and hereby accept the Terms of Reference describing the duties and responsibilities required of us in this RFP, and the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP's Contract for Professional Services.

We agree to abide by this Proposal for 90 days.

We undertake, if our Proposal is accepted, to initiate the services not later than the date indicated in the Data Sheet.

We fully understand and recognize that UNDP is not bound to accept this proposal, that we shall bear all costs associated with its preparation and submission, and that UNDP will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the evaluation.

We remain,

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<sup>4</sup> No deletion or modification may be made in this form. Any such deletion or modification may lead to the rejection of the Proposal.



Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signature [*In full and initials*]: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title of Signatory: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Details : \_\_\_\_\_

*[please mark this letter with your corporate seal, if available]*

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## Section 5: Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Proposer

### Proposer Information Form<sup>5</sup>

Date: *[insert date (as day, month and year) of Proposal Submission]*

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1. Proposer's Legal Name <i>[insert Proposer's legal name]</i>		
2. In case of Joint Venture (JV), legal name of each party: <i>[insert legal name of each party in JV]</i>		
3. Actual or intended Country/ies of Registration/Operation: <i>[insert actual or intended Country of Registration]</i>		
4. Year of Registration: <i>[insert Proposer's year of registration]</i>		
5. Countries of Operation	6. No. of staff in each Country	7. Years of Operation in each Country
8. Legal Address/es in Country/ies of Registration/Operation: <i>[insert Proposer's legal address in country of registration]</i>		
9. Value and Description of Top three (3) Biggest Contract for the past five (5) years		
10. Latest Credit Rating (if any)		
11. Brief description of litigation history (disputes, arbitration, claims, etc.), indicating current status and outcomes, if already resolved.		
12. Proposer's Authorized Representative Information  Name: <i>[insert Authorized Representative's name]</i> Address: <i>[insert Authorized Representative's name]</i> Telephone/Fax numbers: <i>[insert Authorized Representative's name]</i> Email Address: <i>[insert Authorized Representative's name]</i>		
13. Are you in the UNPD List 1267.1989 or UN Ineligibility List ? <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO		

<sup>5</sup> The Proposer shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions. Apart from providing additional information, no alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.

14. Attached are copies of original documents of:

- ☐ All eligibility document requirements listed in the Data Sheet
- ☐ If Joint Venture/Consortium – copy of the Memorandum of Understanding/Agreement or Letter of Intent to form a JV/Consortium, or Registration of JV/Consortium, if registered
- ☐ If case of Government corporation or Government-owned/controlled entity, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law.

## Joint Venture Partner Information Form (if Registered)<sup>6</sup>

Date: *[insert date (as day, month and year) of Proposal Submission]*

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1. Proposer's Legal Name: <i>[insert Proposer's legal name]</i>		
2. JV's Party legal name: <i>[insert JV's Party legal name]</i>		
3. JV's Party Country of Registration: <i>[insert JV's Party country of registration]</i>		
4. Year of Registration: <i>[insert Party's year of registration]</i>		
5. Countries of Operation	6. No. of staff in each Country	7. Years of Operation in each Country
8. Legal Address/es in Country/ies of Registration/Operation: <i>[insert Party's legal address in country of registration]</i>		
9. Value and Description of Top three (3) Biggest Contract for the past five (5) years		
10. Latest Credit Rating (if any)		
1. Brief description of litigation history (disputes, arbitration, claims, etc.), indicating current status and outcomes, if already resolved.		
13. JV's Party Authorized Representative Information Name: <i>[insert name of JV's Party authorized representative]</i> Address: <i>[insert address of JV's Party authorized representative]</i> Telephone/Fax numbers: <i>[insert telephone/fax numbers of JV's Party authorized representative]</i> Email Address: <i>[insert email address of JV's Party authorized representative]</i>		
14. Attached are copies of original documents of: <i>[check the box(es) of the attached original documents]</i>		

<sup>6</sup> The Proposer shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions. Apart from providing additional information, no alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.

- ☐ All eligibility document requirements listed in the Data Sheet
- ☐ Articles of Incorporation or Registration of firm named in 2.
- ☐ In case of government owned entity, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law.

## Section 6: Technical Proposal Form

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FORMAT  
INSERT TITLE OF THE SERVICES

**Note: Technical Proposals not submitted in this format may be rejected. The financial proposal should be included in separate envelope.**

Name of Proposing Organization / Firm:	
Country of Registration:	
Name of Contact Person for this Proposal:	
Address:	
Phone / Fax:	
Email:	

### SECTION 1: EXPERTISE OF FIRM/ ORGANISATION

**1.1 Brief Description of Proposer as an Entity:** Provide a brief description of the organization / firm submitting the proposal, its legal mandates/authorized business activities, the year and country of incorporation, types of activities undertaken, and approximate annual budget, etc. Include reference to reputation, or any history of litigation and arbitration in which the organisation / firm has been involved that could adversely affect or impact the performance of services, indicating the status/result of such litigation/arbitration.

**1.2. Financial Capacity:** Provide the latest Audited Financial Statement (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) duly certified by a Public Accountant, and with authentication of receiving by the Government's Internal Revenue Authority. Include any indication of credit rating, industry rating, etc.

**1.3. Track Record and Experiences:** Provide the following information regarding corporate experience within the last five (5) years which are related or relevant to those required for this Contract.

Name of project	Client	Contract Value	Period of activity	Types of activities undertaken	Status or Date Completed	References Contact Details (Name, Phone, Email)

## SECTION 2 - APPROACH AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

**2.1 Approach to the Service/Work Required:** Please provide a detailed description of the methodology for how the organisation/firm will achieve the Terms of Reference of the project, keeping in mind the appropriateness to local conditions and project environment.

**1. Proposed work schedule with a detailed list of key activities and events;**  
**2. Description of approach to conducting work on Development of capacity building training and technical assistance services for project proposal elaboration and project management in 20 partner communities of the Donetsk and Luhansk Oblasts of Ukraine**

**2.2. Technical Quality Assurance Review Mechanisms:** The methodology shall also include details of the Proposer's internal technical and quality assurance review mechanisms.

**2.3. Subcontracting:** Explain whether any work would be subcontracted, to whom, how much percentage of the work, the rationale for such, and the roles of the proposed sub-contractors. Special attention should be given to providing a clear picture of the role of each entity and how everyone will function as a team.

**2.4. Risks / Mitigation Measures:** Please describe the potential risks for the implementation of this project that may impact achievement and timely completion of expected results as well as their quality. Describe measures that will be put in place to mitigate these risks.

**2.5. Reporting and Monitoring:** Please provide a brief description of the mechanisms proposed for this project for reporting to the UNDP and partners, including a reporting schedule.

**2.6. Anti-Corruption Strategy:** Define the anti-corruption strategy that will be applied in this project to prevent the misuse of funds. Describe the financial controls that will be put in place.

**2.7. Partnerships:** Explain any partnerships with local, international or other organizations that are planned for the implementation of the project. Special attention should be given to providing a clear picture of the role of each entity and how everyone will function as a team. Letters of commitment from partners and an indication of whether some or all have successfully worked together on other previous projects is encouraged.

**2.8 Statement of Full Disclosure:** This is intended to disclose any potential conflict in accordance with the definition of "conflict" under Section 4 of this document, if any.

**2.9 Other:** Any other comments or information regarding the project approach and methodology that will be adopted.

### SECTION 3: PERSONNEL

**3.1 Management Structure:** Describe the overall management approach toward planning and implementing this activity. Include an organization chart for the management of the project describing the relationship of key positions and designations.

**3.2 Staff Time Allocation:** Provide a spreadsheet will be included to show the activities of each staff member and the time allocated for his/her involvement. (Note :*This spreadsheet is crucial and no substitution of personnel will be tolerated once the contract has been awarded except in extreme circumstances and with the written approval of the UNDP. If substitution is unavoidable it will be with a person who, in the opinion of the UNDP project manager, is at least as experienced as the person being replaced, and subject to the approval of UNDP. No increase in costs will be considered as a result of any substitution.*) **Please provide a detailed description of human resources to be involved into the project, describing management arrangements and how coordination will be achieved for fulfillment different components of the ToR.**

**3.3 Qualifications of Key Personnel** Provide the CVs for key personnel (**Project Manager, key experts, trainers and assistants** ) that will be provided to support the implementation of this project. CVs should demonstrate qualifications in areas relevant to the Scope of Services. Please use the format below:

<b>Name:</b>		
<b>Position for this Contract:</b>		
<b>Nationality:</b>		
<b>Contact information:</b>		
<b>Countries of Work Experience:</b>		
<b>Language Skills:</b>		
<b>Educational and other Qualifications:</b>		
<b>Summary of Experience:</b> <i>Highlight experience in the region and on similar projects.</i>		
<b>Relevant Experience (From most recent):</b>		
<b>Period: From – To</b>	<b>Name of activity/ Project/ funding organisation, if applicable:</b>	<b>Job Title and Activities undertaken/Description of actual role performed:</b>
<i>e.g. June 2004-January 2005</i>		
<i>Etc.</i>		
<i>Etc.</i>		
<b>References no.1 (minimum of 3):</b>	<i>Name Designation Organization Contact Information – Address; Phone; Email; etc.</i>	
<b>Reference no.2</b>	<i>Name Designation Organization Contact Information – Address; Phone; Email; etc.</i>	
<b>Reference no.3</b>	<i>Name Designation Organization Contact Information – Address; Phone; Email; etc.</i>	
<b>Declaration:</b>		
<p>I confirm my intention to serve in the stated position and present availability to serve for the term of the proposed contract. I also understand that any wilful misstatement described above may lead to my disqualification, before or during my engagement.</p>		

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Signature of the Nominated Team Leader/Member	Date Signed
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## Section 7: Financial Proposal Form<sup>7</sup>

***Please protect your financial proposal (archive) with password!***

The Proposer is required to prepare the Financial Proposal in an envelope separate from the rest of the RFP as indicated in the Instruction to Proposers.

The Financial Proposal must provide a detailed cost breakdown. Provide separate figures for each functional grouping or category.

Any estimates for cost-reimbursable items, such as travel and out-of-pocket expenses, should be listed separately.

In case of an equipment component to the service provider, the Price Schedule should include figures for both purchase and lease/rent options. UNDP reserves the option to either lease/rent or purchase outright the equipment through the Contractor.

The format shown on the following pages is suggested for use as a guide in preparing the Financial Proposal. The format includes specific expenditures, which may or may not be required or applicable but are indicated to serve as examples.

**A. Cost Breakdown per Deliverables\***

SN	Deliverables <i>[list them as referred to in the TOR]</i>	Percentage of Total Price (Weight for payment)	Price (Lump Sum, All Inclusive)
1	Providing an initial report	30%	
2	Providing interim reports №1	30%	
3	Providing interim reports №2 and submitting final report	40%	
	Total	100%	

*\*Basis for payment tranches*

**B. Cost Breakdown by Cost Component:**

The Proposers are requested to provide the cost breakdown for the above given prices for each deliverable based on the following format. UNDP shall use the cost breakdown for the price reasonability assessment purposes as well as the calculation of price in the event that both parties have agreed to add new deliverables to the scope of Services.

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<sup>7</sup> No deletion or modification may be made in this form. Any such deletion or modification may lead to the rejection of the Proposal.

***Payment for organizational costs, namely, training, discussions and other meetings with the community, at least 3 meetings with each community (cost of stationery and coffee breaks, and venues moderated meetings and exercises) will be provided by UNDP, therefore, these costs should not be included in the Financial proposal.***

**Breakdown of expenses by component of costs**

Nº	Activities / Expenses	Unit	Quantity	Cost unit per	Amount without VAT**
	I. Staff				
1	Team Leader	1 work mont	XXXXX		
2	Financial specialist	1 work mont	XXX		
3	Key Expert/trainer	1 work mont	20		
4	Expert 1/trainer	1 work mont	20		
5	Expert 2/trainer	1 work mont	20		
6	Data Specialist / Assistant	1 work mont	XXXXX		
7	Data Specialist / Assistant	1 work mont	XXXXX		
	II. Operating cost				
1	Travels	Travel	XXXXX		
2	Daily allowance	Days	XXXXX		
3	Communications cost				
4	Administrative costs (communication, office / consumables, etc.)				
	III. Other				
	Other expenses (if applicable, identify activities / costs)				
	Total:				

*[Name and Signature of the Service Provider's Authorized Person]  
[Designation]  
[Date]*

**\*\* Dear partners!**

The United Nations Office in Ukraine would like to inform you that the purchase of goods and services announced in the tender will be carried out within the project of international technical assistance.

According to the provisions of the Tax Code of Ukraine (paragraph 197.11), an exemption from VAT is provided for operations that are financed through material and technical assistance.

The procedure for obtaining the right to exemption from taxation for operations that are made within international technical assistance projects is regulated by the Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No.153 dated February 15, 2002.

According to this procedure, the price of the contract is determined "without VAT" and the tax invoice is drawn up in accordance with paragraph 2 of Order No. 1307. In the left part of this invoice, the corresponding mark "X" should be made and the type of reason 12 should be indicated. At the same time in the column "Recipient" (buyer) the name of the legal entity (UN Office in Ukraine) should be indicated, and in the column "Individual tax number of the beneficiary" (buyer) should be indicated conventional TIN (taxpayer reg. No.) "200000000000".

Based on the above stated, we request that you prepare your bid proposals / invoices for payment without VAT taking into account the provisions of the Ukrainian legislation stated in the above mentioned normative acts.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the offices of the State Fiscal Service of Ukraine at the place of registration of your company for additional advice within the Article 52 of the Tax Code of Ukraine.

## Section 11: Contract for Professional Services

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**THIS IS THE EXAMPLE OF A MODEL CONTRACT OF UNDP FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE OFFEROR.**  
**COMPLIANCE WITH ALL CONDITIONS IS OBLIGATORY.**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Sir/Madam,

Ref.: \_\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT PROJECT NUMBER AND TITLE OR OTHER REFERENCE]**

The United Nations Development Programme (hereinafter referred to as "UNDP"), wishes to engage your **[company/organization/institution]**, duly incorporated under the Laws of \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT NAME OF THE COUNTRY]** (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor") in order to perform services in respect of \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICES]** (hereinafter referred to as the "Services"), in accordance with the following Contract:

1. Contract Documents

- 1.1 This Contract is subject to the UNDP General Conditions for Professional Services attached hereto as Annex I. The provisions of such Annex shall control the interpretation of this Contract and in no way shall be deemed to have been derogated by the contents of this letter and any other Annexes, unless otherwise expressly stated under section 4 of this letter, entitled "Special Conditions".
- 1.2 The Contractor and UNDP also agree to be bound by the provisions contained in the following documents, which shall take precedence over one another in case of conflict in the following order:
  - a) this Letter;
  - b) the Terms of Reference [ref. ....dated.....], attached hereto as Annex II;
  - c) the Contractor's Proposal [ref....., dated .....]
  - d) The UNDP Request for Proposal [ref....., dated.....]
- 1.3 All the above shall form the Contract between the Contractor and UNDP, superseding the contents of any other negotiations and/or agreements, whether oral or in writing, pertaining to the subject of this Contract.

2. Obligations of the Contractor

- 2.1 The Contractor shall perform and complete the Services described in Annex II with due diligence and efficiency and in accordance with the Contract.
- 2.2 The Contractor shall provide the services of the following key personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Specialization</u>	<u>Nationality</u>	<u>Period of service</u>
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2.3 Any changes in the above key personnel shall require prior written approval of \_\_\_\_\_ **[NAME and TITLE]**, UNDP.

2.4 The Contractor shall also provide all technical and administrative support needed in order to ensure the timely and satisfactory performance of the Services.

2.5 The Contractor shall submit to UNDP the deliverables specified hereunder according to the following schedule:

**[LIST DELIVERABLES]**

**[INDICATE DELIVERY DATES]**

e.g.

Progress report	../..../....
.....	../..../....
Final report	../..../....

2.6 All reports shall be written in the English language, and shall describe in detail the services rendered under the Contract during the period of time covered in such report. All reports shall be transmitted by the Contractor by \_\_\_\_\_ **[MAIL, COURIER AND/OR FAX]** to the address specified in 9.1 below.

2.7 The Contractor represents and warrants the accuracy of any information or data provided to UNDP for the purpose of entering into this Contract, as well as the quality of the deliverables and reports foreseen under this Contract in accordance with the highest industry and professional standards.

### **OPTION 1 (FIXED PRICE)**

#### **3. Price and Payment**

3.1 In full consideration for the complete and satisfactory performance of the Services under this Contract, UNDP shall pay the Contractor a fixed contract price of \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT CURRENCY & AMOUNT IN FIGURES AND WORDS]**.

3.2 The price of this Contract is not subject to any adjustment or revision because of price or currency fluctuations or the actual costs incurred by the Contractor in the performance of the Contract.

3.3 Payments effected by UNDP to the Contractor shall be deemed neither to relieve the Contractor of its obligations under this Contract nor as acceptance by UNDP of the Contractor's performance of the Services.

3.4 UNDP shall effect payments to the Contractor after acceptance by UNDP of the invoices submitted by the Contractor to the address specified in 9.1 below, upon achievement of the corresponding milestones and for the following amounts:

<u>MILESTONE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TARGET DATE</u>
Upon.....	.....	../..../....
.....	.....	../..../....

Invoices shall indicate the milestones achieved and corresponding amount payable.

## OPTION 2 (COST REIMBURSEMENT)

### 3. Price and payment

- 3.1 In full consideration for the complete and satisfactory performance of the Services under this Contract, UNDP shall pay the Contractor a price not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT CURRENCY & AMOUNT IN FIGURES AND WORDS]**.
- 3.2 The amount contained in 3.1 above is the maximum total amount of reimbursable costs under this Contract. The Breakdown of Costs in Annex \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT ANNEX NUMBER]** contains the maximum amounts per cost category that are reimbursable under this Contract. The Contractor shall reflect in his invoices the amount of the actual reimbursable costs incurred in the performance of the Services.
- 3.3 The Contractor shall not do any work, provide any equipment, materials and supplies, or perform any other services which may result in any costs in excess of the amount under 3.1 or of any of the amounts specified in the Breakdown of Costs for each cost category without the prior written agreement of \_\_\_\_\_ **[NAME and TITLE]**, UNDP.
- 3.4 Payments effected by UNDP to the Contractor shall be deemed neither to relieve the Contractor of its obligations under this Contract nor as acceptance by UNDP of the Contractor's performance of the Services.
- 3.5 The Contractor shall submit invoices for the work done every \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT PERIOD OF TIME OR MILESTONES]**.

OR

- 3.5. The Contractor shall submit an invoice for \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT AMOUNT AND CURRENCY OF THE ADVANCE PAYMENT IN FIGURES & WORDS]** upon signature of this Contract by both parties and invoices for the work done every \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT PERIOD OF TIME OR MILESTONES]**.
- 3.6 Progress and final payments shall be effected by UNDP to the Contractor after acceptance of the invoices submitted by the Contractor to the address specified in 9.1 below, together with whatever supporting documentation of the actual costs incurred is required in the Breakdown of Costs or may be required by \_\_\_\_\_ UNDP. Such payments shall be subject to any specific conditions for reimbursement contained in the Breakdown of Costs.
- ### 4. Special conditions
- 4.1 The responsibility for the safety and security of the Contractor and its personnel and property, and of UNDP's property in the Contractor's custody, rests with the Contractor.
- 4.2 The advance payment to be made upon signature of the contract by both parties is contingent upon receipt and acceptance by UNDP of a bank guarantee for the full amount of the advance payment issued by a Bank and in a form acceptable to UNDP.
- 4.3 The amounts of the payments referred to under section 3.6 above shall be subject to a deduction of \_\_\_\_\_ **[INSERT PERCENTAGE THAT THE ADVANCE REPRESENTS OVER THE TOTAL PRICE OF THE CONTRACT]** % (... percent) of the amount accepted for payment until the cumulative amount of the deductions so effected shall equal the amount of the advance payment.
- 4.4 Owing to [...], Article(s) [...] of the General Conditions in Annex I shall be amended to read/be deleted.

### 5. Submission of invoices

- 5.1 An original invoice shall be submitted by mail by the Contractor for each payment under the Contract to the following

address:

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5.2 Invoices submitted by fax shall not be accepted by UNDP.

6. Time and manner of payment

6.1 Invoices shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the date of their acceptance by UNDP. UNDP shall make every effort to accept an invoice or so advise the Contractor of its non-acceptance within a reasonable time from receipt.

6.2 All payments shall be made by UNDP to the following Bank account of the Contractor:

\_\_\_\_\_ [NAME OF THE BANK]

\_\_\_\_\_ [ACCOUNT NUMBER]

\_\_\_\_\_ [ADDRESS OF THE BANK]

7. Entry into force. Time limits.

7.1 The Contract shall enter into force upon its signature by both parties.

7.2 The Contractor shall commence the performance of the Services not later than \_\_\_\_\_ [INSERT DATE] and shall complete the Services within \_\_\_\_\_ [INSERT NUMBER OF DAYS OR MONTHS] of such commencement.

7.3 All time limits contained in this Contract shall be deemed to be of the essence in respect of the performance of the Services.

8. Modifications

8.1 Any modification to this Contract shall require an amendment in writing between both parties duly signed by the authorized representative of the Contractor and \_\_\_\_\_ [NAME AND TITLE] UNDP.

9. Notifications

For the purpose of notifications under the Contract, the addresses of UNDP and the Contractor are as follows:

**For the UNDP:**

Name  
Designation  
Address  
Tel. No.  
Fax. No.  
Email address:

**For the Contractor:**

Name  
Designation  
Address  
Tel. No.

Fax. No.  
Email address:

If the above terms and conditions meet with your agreement as they are typed in this letter and in the Contract Documents, please initial every page of this letter and its attachments and return to this office one original of this Contract, duly signed and dated.

Yours sincerely,

**[INSERT NAME AND DESIGNATION]**

For **[INSERT NAME OF THE COMPANY/ORGANIZATION]**

Agreed and Accepted:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





## **UNDP GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT FOR SERVICES**

### **1.0 LEGAL STATUS:**

The Contractor shall be considered as having the legal status of an independent contractor vis-à-vis the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The Contractor's personnel and sub-contractors shall not be considered in any respect as being the employees or agents of UNDP or the United Nations.

### **2.0 SOURCE OF INSTRUCTIONS:**

The Contractor shall neither seek nor accept instructions from any authority external to UNDP in connection with the performance of its services under this Contract. The Contractor shall refrain from any action that may adversely affect UNDP or the United Nations and shall fulfill its commitments with the fullest regard to the interests of UNDP.

### **3.0 CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYEES:**

The Contractor shall be responsible for the professional and technical competence of its employees and will select, for work under this Contract, reliable individuals who will perform effectively in the implementation of this Contract, respect the local customs, and conform to a high standard of moral and ethical conduct.

### **4.0 ASSIGNMENT:**

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, pledge or make other disposition of this Contract or any part thereof, or any of the Contractor's rights, claims or obligations under this Contract except with the prior written consent of UNDP.

### **5.0 SUB-CONTRACTING:**

In the event the Contractor requires the services of sub-contractors, the Contractor shall obtain the prior written approval and clearance of UNDP for all sub-contractors. The approval of UNDP of a sub-contractor shall not relieve the Contractor of any of its obligations under this Contract. The terms of any sub-contract shall be subject to and conform to the provisions of this Contract.

### **6.0 OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT:**

The Contractor warrants that no official of UNDP or the United Nations has received or will be offered by the Contractor any direct or indirect benefit arising from this Contract or the award thereof. The Contractor agrees that breach of this provision is a breach of an essential term of this Contract.

### **7.0 INDEMNIFICATION:**

The Contractor shall indemnify, hold and save harmless, and defend, at its own expense, UNDP, its officials, agents, servants and employees from and against all suits, claims, demands, and liability of any nature or kind, including their costs and expenses, arising out of acts or omissions of the Contractor, or the Contractor's employees, officers, agents or sub-contractors, in the performance of this Contract. This provision shall extend, inter alia, to claims and liability in the nature of workmen's compensation, products liability and liability arising out of the use of patented inventions or devices, copyrighted material or other intellectual property by the Contractor, its employees, officers, agents, servants or sub-contractors. The obligations under this Article do not lapse upon termination of this Contract.

#### **8.0 INSURANCE AND LIABILITIES TO THIRD PARTIES:**

**8.1** The Contractor shall provide and thereafter maintain insurance against all risks in respect of its property and any equipment used for the execution of this Contract.

**8.2** The Contractor shall provide and thereafter maintain all appropriate workmen's compensation insurance, or the equivalent, with respect to its employees to cover claims for personal injury or death in connection with this Contract.

**8.3** The Contractor shall also provide and thereafter maintain liability insurance in an adequate amount to cover third party claims for death or bodily injury, or loss of or damage to property, arising from or in connection with the provision of services under this Contract or the operation of any vehicles, boats, airplanes or other equipment owned or leased by the Contractor or its agents, servants, employees or sub-contractors performing work or services in connection with this Contract.

**8.4** Except for the workmen's compensation insurance, the insurance policies under this Article shall:

**8.4.1** Name UNDP as additional insured;

**8.4.2** Include a waiver of subrogation of the Contractor's rights to the insurance carrier against the UNDP;

**8.4.3** Provide that the UNDP shall receive thirty (30) days written notice from the insurers prior to any cancellation or change of coverage.

**8.5** The Contractor shall, upon request, provide the UNDP with satisfactory evidence of the insurance required under this Article.

#### **9.0 ENCUMBRANCES/LIENS:**

The Contractor shall not cause or permit any lien, attachment or other encumbrance by any person to be placed on file or to remain on file in any public office or on file with the UNDP against any monies due or to become due for any work done or materials furnished under this Contract, or by reason of any other claim or demand against the Contractor.

**10.0 TITLE TO EQUIPMENT:** Title to any equipment and supplies that may be furnished by UNDP shall rest with UNDP and any such equipment shall be returned to UNDP at the conclusion of this Contract or when no longer needed by the Contractor. Such equipment, when returned to UNDP, shall be in the same condition as when delivered to the Contractor, subject to normal wear and tear. The Contractor shall be liable to compensate UNDP for equipment determined to be damaged or degraded beyond normal wear and tear.

#### **11.0 COPYRIGHT, PATENTS AND OTHER PROPRIETARY RIGHTS:**

**11.1** Except as is otherwise expressly provided in writing in the Contract, the UNDP shall be entitled to all intellectual property and other proprietary rights including, but not limited to, patents, copyrights, and trademarks, with regard to products, processes, inventions, ideas, know-how, or documents and other materials which the Contractor has developed for the UNDP under the Contract and which bear a direct relation to or are produced or prepared or collected in consequence of, or during the course of, the performance of the Contract, and the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that such products,

documents and other materials constitute works made for hire for the UNDP.

**11.2** To the extent that any such intellectual property or other proprietary rights consist of any intellectual property or other proprietary rights of the Contractor: (i) that pre-existed the performance by the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract, or (ii) that the Contractor may develop or acquire, or may have developed or acquired, independently of the performance of its obligations under the Contract, the UNDP does not and shall not claim any ownership interest thereto, and the Contractor grants to the UNDP a perpetual license to use such intellectual property or other proprietary right solely for the purposes of and in accordance with the requirements of the Contract.

**11.3** At the request of the UNDP; the Contractor shall take all necessary steps, execute all necessary documents and generally assist in securing such proprietary rights and transferring or licensing them to the UNDP in compliance with the requirements of the applicable law and of the Contract.

**11.4** Subject to the foregoing provisions, all maps, drawings, photographs, mosaics, plans, reports, estimates, recommendations, documents, and all other data compiled by or received by the Contractor under the Contract shall be the property of the UNDP, shall be made available for use or inspection by the UNDP at reasonable times and in reasonable places, shall be treated as confidential, and shall be delivered only to UNDP authorized officials on completion of work under the Contract.

## **12.0 USE OF NAME, EMBLEM OR OFFICIAL SEAL OF UNDP OR THE UNITED NATIONS:**

The Contractor shall not advertise or otherwise make public the fact that it is a Contractor with UNDP, nor shall the Contractor, in any manner whatsoever use the name, emblem or official seal of UNDP or THE United Nations, or any abbreviation of the name of UNDP or United Nations in connection with its business or otherwise.

## **13.0 CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION:**

Information and data that is considered proprietary by either Party, and that is delivered or disclosed by one Party ("Discloser") to the other Party ("Recipient") during the course of performance of the Contract, and that is designated as confidential ("Information"), shall be held in confidence by that Party and shall be handled as follows:

**13.1** The recipient ("Recipient") of such information shall:

**13.1.1** use the same care and discretion to avoid disclosure, publication or dissemination of the Discloser's Information as it uses with its own similar information that it does not wish to disclose, publish or disseminate; and,

**13.1.2** use the Discloser's Information solely for the purpose for which it was disclosed.

**13.2** Provided that the Recipient has a written agreement with the following persons or entities requiring them to treat the Information confidential in accordance with the Contract and this Article 13, the Recipient may disclose Information to:

**13.2.1** any other party with the Discloser's prior written consent; and,

**13.2.2** the Recipient's employees, officials, representatives and agents who have a need to know such Information for purposes of performing obligations under the Contract, and employees officials, representatives and agents of any legal entity that it controls, controls it, or with which it is under common control, who have a need to know such Information for purposes of performing obligations under the Contract, provided that, for these purposes a controlled legal entity means:

**13.2.2.1** a corporate entity in which the Party owns or otherwise controls, whether directly or indirectly, over fifty percent (50%) of voting shares thereof; or,

**13.2.2.2** any entity over which the Party exercises effective managerial control; or,

**13.2.2.3** for the UNDP, an affiliated Fund such as UNCDF, UNIFEM and UNV.

**13.3** The Contractor may disclose Information to the extent required by law, provided that, subject to and without any waiver of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, the Contractor will give the UNDP sufficient prior notice of a request for the disclosure of Information in order to allow the UNDP to have a reasonable opportunity to take protective measures or such other action as may be appropriate before any such disclosure is made.

**13.4** The UNDP may disclose Information to the extent as required pursuant to the Charter of the UN, resolutions or regulations of the General Assembly, or rules promulgated by the Secretary-General.

**13.5** The Recipient shall not be precluded from disclosing Information that is obtained by the Recipient from a third party without restriction, is disclosed by the Discloser to a third party without any obligation of confidentiality, is previously known by the Recipient, or at any time is developed by the Recipient completely independently of any disclosures hereunder.

**13.6** These obligations and restrictions of confidentiality shall be effective during the term of the Contract, including any extension thereof, and, unless otherwise provided in the Contract, shall remain effective following any termination of the Contract.

#### **14.0 FORCE MAJEURE; OTHER CHANGES IN CONDITIONS**

**14.1** In the event of and as soon as possible after the occurrence of any cause constituting force majeure, the Contractor shall give notice and full particulars in writing to the UNDP, of such occurrence or change if the Contractor is thereby rendered unable, wholly or in part, to perform its obligations and meet its responsibilities under this Contract. The Contractor shall also notify the UNDP of any other changes in conditions or the occurrence of any event that interferes or threatens to interfere with its performance of this Contract. On receipt of the notice required under this Article, the UNDP shall take such action as, in its sole discretion; it considers to be appropriate or necessary in the circumstances, including the granting to the Contractor of a reasonable extension of time in which to perform its obligations under this Contract.

**14.2** If the Contractor is rendered permanently unable, wholly, or in part, by reason of force majeure to perform its obligations and meet its responsibilities under this Contract, the UNDP shall have the right to suspend or terminate this Contract on the same terms and conditions as are provided for in Article 15, "Termination", except that the period of notice shall be seven (7) days instead of thirty (30) days.

**14.3** Force majeure as used in this Article means acts of God, war (whether declared or not), invasion, revolution, insurrection, or other acts of a similar nature or force.

**14.4** The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, with respect to any obligations under the Contract that the Contractor must perform in or for any areas in which the UNDP is engaged in, preparing to engage in, or disengaging from any peacekeeping, humanitarian or similar operations, any delays or failure to perform such obligations arising from or relating to harsh conditions within such areas or to any incidents of civil unrest occurring in such areas shall not, in and of itself, constitute force majeure under the Contract..

#### **15.0 TERMINATION**

**15.1** Either party may terminate this Contract for cause, in whole or in part, upon thirty (30) days notice, in writing, to the other party. The initiation of arbitral proceedings in accordance with Article 16.2 ("Arbitration"), below, shall not be deemed a termination of this Contract.

**15.2** UNDP reserves the right to terminate without cause this Contract at any time upon 15 days prior written notice to the Contractor, in which case UNDP shall reimburse the Contractor for all reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor prior to receipt of the notice of termination.

**15.3** In the event of any termination by UNDP under this Article, no payment shall be due from UNDP to the Contractor

except for work and services satisfactorily performed in conformity with the express terms of this Contract.

**15.4** Should the Contractor be adjudged bankrupt, or be liquidated or become insolvent, or should the Contractor make an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or should a Receiver be appointed on account of the insolvency of the Contractor, the UNDP may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy it may have under the terms of these conditions, terminate this Contract forthwith. The Contractor shall immediately inform the UNDP of the occurrence of any of the above events.

## **16.0 SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES**

**16.1 Amicable Settlement:** The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of this Contract or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof. Where the parties wish to seek such an amicable settlement through conciliation, the conciliation shall take place in accordance with the UNCITRAL Conciliation Rules then obtaining, or according to such other procedure as may be agreed between the parties.

**16.2 Arbitration:** Any dispute, controversy, or claim between the Parties arising out of the Contract or the breach, termination, or invalidity thereof, unless settled amicably under Article 16.1, above, within sixty (60) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's written request for such amicable settlement, shall be referred by either Party to arbitration in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules then obtaining. The decisions of the arbitral tribunal shall be based on general principles of international commercial law. For all evidentiary questions, the arbitral tribunal shall be guided by the Supplementary Rules Governing the Presentation and Reception of Evidence in International Commercial Arbitration of the International Bar Association, 28 May 1983 edition. The arbitral tribunal shall be empowered to order the return or destruction of goods or any property, whether tangible or intangible, or of any confidential information provided under the Contract, order the termination of the Contract, or order that any other protective measures be taken with respect to the goods, services or any other property, whether tangible or intangible, or of any confidential information provided under the Contract, as appropriate, all in accordance with the authority of the arbitral tribunal pursuant to Article 26 ("Interim Measures of Protection") and Article 32 ("Form and Effect of the Award") of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. The arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award punitive damages. In addition, unless otherwise expressly provided in the Contract, the arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award interest in excess of the London Inter-Bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") then prevailing, and any such interest shall be simple interest only. The Parties shall be bound by any arbitration award rendered as a result of such arbitration as the final adjudication of any such dispute, controversy, or claim.

## **17.0 PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES:**

Nothing in or relating to this Contract shall be deemed a waiver, express or implied, of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs.

## **18.0 TAX EXEMPTION**

**18.1** Section 7 of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations provides, inter-alia that the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs, is exempt from all direct taxes, except charges for public utility services, and is exempt from customs duties and charges of a similar nature in respect of articles imported or exported for its official use. In the event any governmental authority refuses to recognize the United Nations exemption from such taxes, duties or charges, the Contractor shall immediately consult with the UNDP to determine a mutually acceptable procedure.

**18.2** Accordingly, the Contractor authorizes UNDP to deduct from the Contractor's invoice any amount representing such taxes, duties or charges, unless the Contractor has consulted with the UNDP before the payment thereof and the UNDP has, in each instance, specifically authorized the Contractor to pay such taxes, duties or charges under protest. In that event, the Contractor shall provide the UNDP with written evidence that payment of such taxes, duties or charges has been made and appropriately authorized.

## **19.0 CHILD LABOUR**

**19.1** The Contractor represents and warrants that neither it, nor any of its suppliers is engaged in any practice inconsistent

with the rights set forth in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, including Article 32 thereof, which, inter alia, requires that a child shall be protected from performing any work that is likely to be hazardous or to interfere with the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health or physical mental, spiritual, moral or social development.

**19.2** Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, at no cost to UNDP.

#### **20.0 MINES:**

**20.1** The Contractor represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its suppliers is actively and directly engaged in patent activities, development, assembly, production, trade or manufacture of mines or in such activities in respect of components primarily utilized in the manufacture of Mines. The term "Mines" means those devices defined in Article 2, Paragraphs 1, 4 and 5 of Protocol II annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions and Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects of 1980.

**20.2** Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

#### **21.0 OBSERVANCE OF THE LAW:**

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations bearing upon the performance of its obligations under the terms of this Contract.

#### **22.0 SEXUAL EXPLOITATION:**

**22.1** The Contractor shall take all appropriate measures to prevent sexual exploitation or abuse of anyone by it or by any of its employees or any other persons who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract. For these purposes, sexual activity with any person less than eighteen years of age, regardless of any laws relating to consent, shall constitute the sexual exploitation and abuse of such person. In addition, the Contractor shall refrain from, and shall take all appropriate measures to prohibit its employees or other persons engaged by it from, exchanging any money, goods, services, offers of employment or other things of value, for sexual favors or activities, or from engaging in any sexual activities that are exploitive or degrading to any person. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the provisions hereof constitute an essential term of the Contract and that any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate the Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind.

**22.2** The UNDP shall not apply the foregoing standard relating to age in any case in which the Contractor's personnel or any other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract is married to the person less than the age of eighteen years with whom sexual activity has occurred and in which such marriage is recognized as valid under the laws of the country of citizenship of such Contractor's personnel or such other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract.

#### **23.0 SECURITY:**

**23.1** The Contractor shall:

- (a) Put in place an appropriate security plan and maintain the security plan, taking into account the security situation in the country where the services are being provided;
- (b) Assume all risks and liabilities related to the Contractor's security, and the full implementation of the security plan.

**23.2** UNDP reserves the right to verify whether such a plan is in place, and to suggest modifications to the plan when necessary. Failure to maintain and implement an appropriate security plan as required hereunder shall be deemed a breach

of this contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor shall remain solely responsible for the security of its personnel and for UNDP's property in its custody as set forth in paragraph 4.1 above.

#### **24.0 AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:**

**24.1** Each invoice paid by UNDP shall be subject to a post-payment audit by auditors, whether internal or external, of UNDP or the authorized agents of the UNDP at any time during the term of the Contract and for a period of three (3) years following the expiration or prior termination of the Contract. The UNDP shall be entitled to a refund from the Contractor for any amounts shown by such audits to have been paid by the UNDP other than in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract. Should the audit determine that any funds paid by UNDP have not been used as per contract clauses, the company shall reimburse such funds forthwith. Where the company fails to reimburse such funds, UNDP reserves the right to seek recovery and/or to take any other action as it deems necessary.

**24.2** The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, at anytime, UNDP may conduct investigations relating to any aspect of the Contract, the obligations performed under the Contract, and the operations of the Contractor generally. The right of UNDP to conduct an investigation and the Contractor's obligation to comply with such an investigation shall not lapse upon expiration or prior termination of the Contract. The Contractor shall provide its full and timely cooperation with any such inspections, post-payment audits or investigations. Such cooperation shall include, but shall not be limited to, the Contractor's obligation to make available its personnel and any documentation for such purposes and to grant to UNDP access to the Contractor's premises. The Contractor shall require its agents, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's attorneys, accountants or other advisers, to reasonably cooperate with any inspections, post-payment audits or investigations carried out by UNDP hereunder.

#### **25.0 ANTI-TERRORISM:**

**25.1** The Contractor agrees to undertake all reasonable efforts to ensure that none of the UNDP funds received under this Contract are used to provide support to individuals or entities associated with terrorism and that the recipients of any amounts provided by UNDP hereunder do not appear on the list maintained by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999). The list can be accessed via <http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/committees/1267/1267ListEng.htm>. This provision must be included in all sub-contracts or sub-agreements entered into under this Contract.

#### **26.0 AUTHORITY TO MODIFY:**

Pursuant to the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP, only the UNDP Authorized Official possesses the authority to agree on behalf of UNDP to any modification of or change in this Agreement, to a waiver of any of its provisions or to any additional contractual relationship of any kind with the Contractor. Accordingly, no modification or change in this Contract shall be valid and enforceable against UNDP unless provided by an amendment to this Agreement signed by the Contractor and jointly by the UNDP Authorized Official.

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