

38909 Market Readiness assessment study for Digital Finance "plus" (DF+) in Uganda. Answers to the Request of clarification

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1.	Will UNCDF provide support to the consultants in organizing meetings with industry stakeholders from government, regulators, multilateral agencies and private sector?	It is expected that given the knowledge of the Technical Service Provider and further to the desk review, a preliminary list of entities to be interviewed will be provided by the Technical Service Provider. Support can be provided when UNCDF is in contact and/or collaborating with the relevant stakeholder proposed in order to facilitate and speed-up the process. On the other side, it is expected that the consultant shall organize and prepare the agenda, as well being in charge of scheduling the relevant meeting.
2.	How flexible are the timelines for delivery of the assignment?	The expert can adjust activities and timeline, but being the research a key milestones of MM4P project, the final and duly validated report is expected by the end of November 2017
3.	The TOR asks Technical Service Provider (TSP) to propose the resources, level of effort and timeline expected to complete the project. The TOR also says "TSPs should submit a preliminary implementation plan to complete research within a three-month time-period." The description of requirements states the workload in number of days as 45 days. Question: How rigid is this timeline?	Timeline is not rigid, it is up to the expert to present a good timeline and good methodology and approach. As mentioned above the final and duly validated report is expected by the end of November 2017, this implies that the consultant will have to work on the upcoming three months to prepare a good and in-depth secondary and primary research.
4.	In continuation with the previous question - should the timeline be non-negotiable, will the research be	It is up to the consultant to present the most adequate methodology. We do expect to have also a good primary research where the hypothesis developed during the desk



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	predominantly secondary research, supported by minimal primary research?	review will be tested and verified through structured interviews with key stakeholders.
5.	According to UNCDF, what is expected team composition given the broad scope of work, cutting across the six key sectors?	There is not a specific rule on the expected team composition. But considering the variety of sectors and expertise involved . The combined team of expert will be able to cover the six sectors mentioned : (i) Energy, (ii) Water and sanitation, (iii) Education,(iv) Health, (v) Agriculture and in (vi) youth employment. At the same time a good understanding of digital finance services from some of the team members will be required.
6.	We would like get clarification on the documents that were posted because Annex 2A was repeated twice though with different information however Annex 2B is missing	The Financial template (Document #4) which it was named 2A instead of 2B is the correct template. It is not missing., it has just be named 2A but should 2B