

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) (For Low-Valued Services)

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To: All Interested Bidders	DATE: September 29, 2017
	RFP/UNDP/EU/SPOI/019/2017 -
	The Certification Agency for
	ISPO Audit on Bukit Potalo Palm
	Oil Smallholder Cooperative,
	Pelalawan, Riau

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your Proposal for The Certification Agency for ISPO Audit on Bukit Potalo Palm Oil Smallholder Cooperative, Pelalawan, Riau.

Please be guided by the form attached hereto as Annex 2, in preparing your Proposal.

Proposals may be submitted on or before Friday, 13 October, 2017at 4.pm Jakarta Time and via email or courier mail to the address below:

United Nations Development Programme

Menara Thamrin 8-9th Floor. Jl. MH Thamrin Kav.3 Jakarta 10250, Indonesia

Contact Person: Teguh Santoso and Yusef Saiful M.

Tel: +62 21 2980 2300 Email: bids.id@undp.org

Your Proposal must be expressed in the English, and valid for a minimum period of 90 days

In the course of preparing your Proposal, it shall remain your responsibility to ensure that it reaches the address above on or before the deadline. Proposals that are received by UNDP after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation. If you are submitting your Proposal by email, kindly ensure that they are signed and in the .pdf format, and free from any virus or corrupted files.

Services proposed shall be reviewed and evaluated based on completeness and compliance of the Proposal and responsiveness with the requirements of the RFP and all other annexes providing details of UNDP requirements.

The Proposal that complies with all of the requirements, meets all the evaluation criteria and offers the best value for money shall be selected and awarded the contract. Any offer that does not meet the requirements shall be rejected.

Any discrepancy between the unit price and the total price shall be re-computed by UNDP, and the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected. If the Service Provider does not accept the final price based on UNDP's re-computation and correction of errors, its Proposal will be rejected.

No price variation due to escalation, inflation, fluctuation in exchange rates, or any other market factors shall be accepted by UNDP after it has received the Proposal. At the time of Award of Contract or Purchase Order, UNDP reserves the right to vary (increase or decrease) 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.

Any Contract or Purchase Order that will be issued as a result of this RFP shall be subject to the General Terms and Conditions attached hereto. The mere act of submission of a Proposal implies that the Service Provider accepts without question the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP, herein attached as Annex 3.

Please be advised that UNDP is not bound to accept any Proposal, nor award a contract or Purchase Order, nor be responsible for any costs associated with a Service Providers preparation and submission of a Proposal, regardless of the outcome or the manner of conducting the selection process.

UNDP's vendor protest procedure is intended to afford an opportunity to appeal for persons or firms not awarded a Purchase Order or Contract in a competitive procurement process. In the event that you believe you have not been fairly treated, you can find detailed information about vendor protest procedures in the following link:

http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/protestandsanctions/

**UNDP encourages every prospective Service Provider to** prevent and avoid conflicts of interest, by disclosing to UNDP if you, or any of your affiliates or personnel, were involved in the preparation of the requirements, design, cost estimates, and other information used in this RFP.

UNDP implements a zero tolerance on fraud and other proscribed practices, and is committed to preventing, identifying and addressing all such acts and practices against UNDP, as well as third parties involved in UNDP activities. UNDP expects its Service Providers to adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct found in this link: <a href="http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conducteenglish.pdf">http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conducteenglish.pdf</a>

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Thank you and we look forward to receiving your Proposal.

Sincerely yours,

**John Benjamin**Procurement Specialist 29 September 2017

# **Description of Requirements**

Context of the Requirement		Certification Agency for ISPO Audit on Bukit Pot Smallholder Cooperative, Pelalawan, Riau	talo Palm		
Implementing Partner of UNDP		UNDP is working with the Ministry of Agriculture			
Brief Description of the Required Services <sup>1</sup>	The incor	pport UNDP with conducting ISPO Audit.  e Certification Agency will conduct ISPO audit on plasma farmatorporated in Bukit Potalo Cooperative:  Members: 247 households  Total Farm Area: 494 Ha  Planting Year: 1994 dan 1995  Land status: Ownership Titles  Group: 10 farmer groups  Location: Ukui Village II, Ukui Sub-district, Pelalawan Distriu Province.  Corporate Partners: PT. Inti Indo Sawit Subur (Asian Agri Group)			
List and Description of		` `			
Expected Outputs to be		<b>Deliverables</b>	Timing		
Delivered		Report on completeness of audit preparation	30 Oct		
		documents. The consultant shall prepare a (10 pages) phase I report including all of the following components:  a. Legality of plasma farm and cooperative; b. Field condition ( large area, topographic, plant	2017		
		condition)			
	<del></del>	c. Developed audit plan.			
		Report on the audits findings in the field if Bukit Patalo	30		
		Cooperatives, farmer group and growers. Upon completion, the field audit will produce a Phase II	Nov		
		assessment/ audit report.	2017		
	1 1	The consultant shall prepare a detailed (40 pages)			
	1 1	audit report including all of the following components:			
		a. Audit result of :			
		1) Legality of plasma farm ; $t$			
	1 1	2) Plasma farm management;			

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  A detailed TOR may be attached if the information listed in this Annex is not sufficient to fully describe the nature of the work and other details of the requirements.

	3) Environmental Management and Monitoring 4) Responsibility for occupational health and safety (OSH); 5) Social responsibility and community empowerment; 6) Continuous enterprise improvement. b. Conclusion and Recommendation. c. Report of ISPO audit to be submitted to ISPO Secretariat and SPOI Project. If the report should be revised, the auditor should revised the report.					
	3.					
	7 (0)	process of	Certification Body sh f ISPO Commission as lent, Agency of Certifi	sessment and	:	B),
	a. Accept ISPO certificate which has been signed by the Head of the Certification Agency and Director General of Plantation b. The certificate shall be delivered to Bukit					
		Potalo Co	operative Manager.	25.		
Person to Supervise the Work/Performance of the Service Provider	Nati	onal Projec	t Manager-SPOI Proje	ct 1		
Frequency of Reporting	Bi-w	eekly renor	ting of progress, or m	ore frequent if so re	nuired	
Progress Reporting	1	cemy repor	enig of progress, or in	ore frequencing 30 re	quncu	
Requirements	n/a					
	<del></del>	se see anne	x 4 – Term of Referer	nce;		
Location of work			Com or notice of			
Expected duration of work	Wor	k should be	delivered by end of [	December 2017		
Target start date	· · · · · · ·	ber 2017		. 1).		
Latest completion date		ecember 20	017	3		
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Travels Expected				Brief Description		
	De	stination/s	Estimated Duration	of Purpose of the	Target	
				Travel	Date/s	
	Pela	lawan	4 days	Document	October	
	Dala	ılawan	5 days	verification Audit process	2017 November	
	Addit process Nov		2017			
Special Security Requirements	No special security requirements for Pelalawan					

Facilities to be Provided by UNDP (i.e., must be excluded from Price Proposal)		ased at the consu ice in Jakarta as re		with visit to the UNDP
Implementation Schedule indicating breakdown and timing of activities/subactivities	✓ Required  ☐ Not Requi	red	. <u>\$</u> 5.6 6- <b>3.</b>	
Names and curriculum vitae of individuals who will be involved in completing the services	✓ Required  □ Not Requi	red	· ;	
Currency of Proposal	☐ United Sta☐ Euro ✓ Local Curre		2	
Value Added Tax on Price Proposal <sup>2</sup>		clusive of VAT and clusive of VAT and		ole indirect taxes ble indirect taxes
Validity Period of Proposals (Counting for the last day of submission of quotes)	extend the vindicated in t	validity of the Pr his RFP. The Pro	oposal beyond posal shall ther	request the Proposer to what has been initially a confirm the extension in on the Proposal.
Partial Quotes	✓ Not permi		·. ·	
Payment Terms <sup>3</sup>	Outputs	Percentage	Timing	Condition for Payment Release
	1. Output 1	20%	30 Oct 2017	Within thirty (30) days from the date of
	2. Output 2	50%	30 Nov 2017	meeting the following conditions:  a) UNDP's written
	3.Output 3	30%	30 Dec 2017	a) UNDP's written acceptance (i.e., not mere receipt) of the quality of the outputs; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> VAT exemption status varies from one country to another. Pls. check whatever is applicable to the UNDP CO/BU requiring the service.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> UNDP preference is not to pay any amount in advance upon signing of contract. If the Service Provider strictly requires payment in advance, it will be limited only up to 20% of the total price quoted. For any higher percentage, or any amount advanced exceeding \$30,000, UNDP shall require the Service Provider to submit a bank guarantee or bank cheque payable to UNDP, in the same amount as the payment advanced by UNDP to the Service Provider.

Person(s) to review/inspect/ approve outputs/completed services and authorize the	National Proje	ect Manager-SPO	l Project	b) Receipt of Invoice from the Service Provider.
Type of Contract to be Signed	✓ Institutiona	al Contract		
Criteria for Contract Award	price weight d  Full accepta (GTC). This is of the nature of	istribution) ance of the UNDI a mandatory crit	P Contract Gener erion and cannot red. Non accepta	technical offer and 30% ral Terms and Conditions to be deleted regardless ance of the GTC may be
Criteria for the Assessment of Proposal	✓ Methodology the Implement ✓ Manageme ✓ More: only big financial property of the Implementation of the Imple	f the Firm 10% gy, Its Appropriat tation Plan 30% nt Structure and dder(s) who recessal will be opene	Qualification of I	ndition and Timeliness of Key Personnel 30% of 70 points where the ffer to the lowest price
UNDP will award the contract to:	✓ One and on	ly one Service Pr	ovider	
Annexes to this RFP <sup>4</sup>			,	itions (Annex 3) <sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Where the information is available in the web, a URL for the information may simply be provided.
<sup>5</sup> Service Providers are alerted that non-acceptance of the terms of the General Terms and Conditions (GTC) may be grounds for disqualification from this procurement process.

 Contact Person for Inquiries (Written inquiries only) <sup>6</sup>	Teguh Santoso/Yusef Saiful Millah UNDP Indonesia – Procurement Unit +62 21 2980 2300 Any delay in UNDP's response shall be not used as a reason for extending the deadline for submission, unless UNDP determines that such an extension is necessary and communicates a new deadline to the Proposers.
Other Information [pls. specify]	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This contact person and address is officially designated by UNDP. If inquiries are sent to other person/s or address/es, even if they are UNDP staff, UNDP shall have no obligation to respond nor can UNDP confirm that the query was received.

#### FORM FOR SUBMITTING SERVICE PROVIDER'S PROPOSAL<sup>7</sup>

(This Form must be submitted only using the Service Provider's Official Letterhead/Stationery8)

[insert: Location]. [insert: Date]

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

We, the undersigned, hereby offer to render the following services to UNDP in conformity with the requirements defined in the RFP dated [specify date], and all of its attachments, as well as the provisions of the UNDP General Contract Terms and Conditions:

#### A. Qualifications of the Service Provider

The Service Provider must describe and explain how and why they are the best entity that can deliver the requirements of UNDP by indicating the following:

- a) Profile describing the nature of business, field of expertise, licenses, certifications, accreditations;
- b) Business Licenses Registration Papers, Tax Payment Certification, etc.
- Latest Audited Financial Statement income statement and balance sheet to indicate Its financial stability, liquidity, credit standing, and market reputation, etc.;
- d) Track Record list of clients for similar services as those required by UNDP, indicating description of contract scope, contract duration, contract value, contact references;
- e) Certificates and Accreditation including Quality Certificates, Patent Registrations, Environmental Sustainability Certificates, etc.
- f) Written Self-Declaration that the company is not in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 List, UN Procurement Division List or Other UN Ineligibility List.

#### B. Proposed Methodology for the Completion of Services

The Service Provider must describe how it will address/deliver the demands of the RFP; providing a detailed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This serves as a guide to the Service Provider in preparing the Proposal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Official Letterhead/Stationery must indicate contact details – addresses, email, phone and fax numbers – for verification purposes

description of the essential performance characteristics, reporting conditions and quality assurance mechanisms that will be put in place, while demonstrating that the proposed methodology will be appropriate to the local conditions and context of the work.

#### C. Qualifications of Key Personnel

If required by the RFP, the Service Provider must provide:

- a) Names and qualifications of the key personnel that will perform the services indicating who is Team Leader, who are supporting, etc.;
- b) CVs demonstrating qualifications must be submitted if required by the RFP; and
- c) Written confirmation from each personnel that they are available for the entire duration of the contract.

#### D. Cost Breakdown per Deliverable\*

	Deliverables [list them as referred to in the RFP]	Percentage of Total Price (Weight for payment)	Price (Lump Sum, All Inclusive)
1	Deliverable 1: (10 pages) Report on completeness of audit preparation documents	20%	
2	Deliverable 2: (40 pages) Report on the audits findings in the field if Bukit Patalo Cooperatives, farmer group and growers. Upon completion, the field audit will produce a Phase II assessment/ audit report.	50%	7
3	Final (10 pages) Report of ISPO Certification endorsement from ISPO Commission	30%	
	Total	100%	

<sup>\*</sup>This shall be the basis of the payment tranches

#### E. Cost Breakdown by Cost Component [This is only an Example]:

Description of Activity	Remuneration per Unit of Time	Total Period of Engagement	No. of Personnel	Total Rate
I. Personnel Services		2		
1. Services from Home Office				
a. Expertise 1		1		
b. Expertise 2		-	£	
2. Services from Field Offices		<u>:</u> "		
a . Expertise 1		:		
b. Expertise 2	7.6	·		
3. Services from Overseas		!		
a. Expertise 1				
b. Expertise 2				

II. Out of Pocket Expenses			
1. Travel Costs			
2. Daily Allowance	.:		
3. Communications		-	
4. Reproduction			
5. Equipment Lease			
6. Others			
III. Other Related Costs			

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

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#### 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.
- 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 of 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..

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#### 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 of 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.

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 'JNDP 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.
- 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 Excess vely 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 it's 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 <a href="http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/committees/1267/1267ListEng.htm">http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/committees/1267/1267ListEng.htm</a>. This provision must be included in all subcontracts or sub-agreements entered into under this Contract.

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#### 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.

#### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

# The Certification Agency for ISPO Audit on Bukit Potalo Palm Oil Smallholder Cooperative, Pelalawan, Riau

#### 1. BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Agriculture and UNDP in September 2017, signed an agreement on Sustainable Palm Oil Initiatives (SPOI), one of the activities of the project stated in the project document is to facilitate the implementation of the ISPO audit for palm oil growers, among others carried out in the pilot project in Riau Province. The goal of the ISPO certification is to ensure that smallholder enterprises have applied the principles and criteria of ISPO correctly and consistently in producing sustainable palm oil.

For the first phase, ISPO certification facilitation was carried out for independent smallholders at Asosiasi Amanah, Ukui Sub-district, Pelalawan District, Riau Province, and in April 2017 Asosiasi Amanah received an ISPO certificate which is the first ISPO certificate for independent smallholders in Indonesia. Subsequently, the SPOI project will facilitate ISPO certification of plasma smallholders incorporated in Bukit Potalo cooperative located in Ukui Sub-district Pelalawan District, Riau Province. The farmers under Bukit Potalo Cooperative have been given ISPO training and assistance in order to fulfill the principles and criteria of ISPO according to Permentan No 11 Year 2015, namely: (1) Legality of plasma farm; (2) Plasma farm management; (3) Environmental Management and Monitoring; (4) Responsibility for occupational health and safety (OSH); (5) Social responsibility and community empowerment; (6) Continuous enterprise improvement.

From the results of monitoring and facilitation on the implementation of the Internal Control System (ICS), palm oil enterprises incorporated in Bukit Potalo Cooperative are feasible for an audit to obtain ISPO certificates. In connection therewith, the SPOI project will facilitate ISPO certification for the Bukit Potalo Cooperative farmers in Pelalawan, Riau. The goal of the ISPO certification is to ensure that the smallholder palm oil enterprises have applied the ISPO principles and criteria correctly and consistently in producing sustainable palm oil.

To fulfill the six ISPO principles and criteria, training and facilitation were conducted to ensure—that the smallholder palm oil enterprise at the pilot location is eligible to obtain ISPO certification. From the results of monitoring and facilitation on the implementation of the Internal Control System (ICS), the palm oil enterprises incorporated in Bukit Potalo Cooperative are feasible for an audit. In connection therewith, the SPOI project will use the services of an ISPO accredited certification agency to conduct ISPO audit on plasma palm oil enterprises incorporated in Bukit Potalo Cooperative. Prior to the ISPO audit it is necessary to select a Certification Agency that will conduct the ISPO audit.

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#### 2. OBJECTIVES

The main objectives for the contracting company is to conduct ISPO Audit.

The Certification Agency will conduct ISPO audit on plasma farmers incorporated in Bukit Potalo Cooperative:

Members: 247 householdsTotal Farm Area: 494 Ha

Planting Year: 1994 dan 1995Land status: Ownership Titles

Group: 10 farmer groups

Location: Ukui Village II, Ukui Sub-district, Pelalawan District, Riau Province.

- Corporate Partners: PT. Inti Indo Sawit Subur (Asian Agri Group).

#### **Activities**

- 1. To perform verifications on completeness of documents. If all documents have been provided an audit plan will be developed and a Phase I Audit will be conducted (initial).
- 2. To conduct Phase II audit of Asosiasi Amanah and farmers and grower groups covering:
  - a. All documents used by the cooperative or farmer group.
  - b. Application of ISPO principles and criteria in the farm.
  - c. Competence of the farmers involved in the farm.
  - d. Confirmation on the application of ISPO principles and criteria with stakeholders.
- 3. The results of the assessment / audit report shall be submitted to the ISPO Commission through the ISPO Commission Secretariat for verification. If further details are required, the report may be returned to the Certification Agency to be completed or corrected.
- 4. After having been endorsed by the ISPO Commission, the Certification Agency shall issue an ISPO certificate in the name of the palm oil enterprise under Asosiasi Amanah. The ISPO certificate is signed by the Head of the Certification Agency and the Director General of Plantation as the Chairperson of the ISPO Commission.

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#### 3. MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

Output 1: Report on completeness of audit preparation documents. The consultant shall prepare a (10 pages) phase I report including all of the following components:

- a. Legality of plasma farm and cooperative;
- b. Field condition (large area, topographic, plant condition)
- c. Developed audit plan.

Output 2: Report on the audits findings in the field if Bukit Patalo Cooperatives, farmer group and growers. Upon completion, the field audit will produce a Phase II assessment/audit report.

The consultant shall prepare a detailed (40 pages) audit report including all of the following components:

#### a. Audit result of:

- 1) Legality of plasma farm;
- 2) Plasma farm management;
- 3) Environmental Management and Monitoring;
- 4) Responsibility for occupational health and safety (OSH);
- 5) Social responsibility and community empowerment;
- 6) Continuous enterprise improvement.
- b. Conclusion and Recommendation.
- c. Report of ISPO audit to be submitted to ISPO Secretariat and SPOI Project. If the report should be revised, the auditor should revised the report.

### Output 3: Report of (10 pages) ISPO Certification endorsement from ISPO Commission.

Agency of Certification Body should monitor the process of ISPO Commission assessment and endorsement, Agency of Certification Body will be:

- a. Accept ISPO certificate which has been signed by the Head of the Certification Agency and Director General of Plantation
- b. The certificate shall be delivered to Bukit Potalo Cooperative Manager.

#### 4. APPROACH

The contractor will work together in close cooperation with the SPOI project. The Certification Agency will receive guidance and explanation from SPOI National Program Manager (NPM). The Certification Agency shall submit a copy of the audit report and a copy of the ISPO certificate to the NPM of the SPOI project.

#### 5. TIME FRAME

September – November 2017 (3 months)

#### 6. LOCATION

The work is based at the consultant's location with visit to SPOI Project office in Jakarta twice.

#### 7. QUALIFICATIONS:

#### **Company requirements:**

 The certification company shall have at least five (5) years' experience working on palm oil certification;

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- The certification agency should have a proven record/experience in performing ISPO audit at least five (5) palm oil plantation companies.
- The certification company must have endorsement from ISPO Commission.
- The certification company has experience in performing similar certification for growers at least one time.
- Has consultancy experience in agriculture/sustainability/forestry/environment and other related fields

### Minimum Personnel requirements:

Personnel standards of the consulting company are as follows:

#### **Lead Auditor:**

#### Academic:

• Master degree or higher in economics, agricultural development, natural sciences, environmental studies or other related fields;

#### Experience:

- A minimum 5 years of demonstrable experience in the field of ISPO Certification, environmental policy, preferably in the context of Indonesian agricultural / palm oil development and smallholders.
- Mandatory to have undertaken ISPO auditor training, organized by ISPO Commission, Ministry of Agriculture, of the Government of Indonesia.
- Has experieces in conducting field work for at least three different companies Has consultancy experience in agriculture/sustainability/forestry/environment and other related fields

#### Competencies:

- Have good interpersonal and communications skills
- Good coordination ability and team working spirit
- Proficient with the usage of Microsoft Office applications, such as MS Words, MS Excel, MS and Power Point

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- Ability to work independently and in a group
- Proven networking, team building, organizational and communication skills and ability to build strong relationships with government, private sector, CSOs and UNDP staff

#### One Auditor:

- Bachelor degree or higher in areas relevant to agriculture and areas relevant to ISPO certification (law, policy, environment, agronomy, management).
- A minimum of 2 years professional experience in agriculture, preferably in the context of Indonesian agricultural development and smallholders
- Mandatory to have undertaken ISPO auditor training, organized by ISPO Commission,

Ministry of Agriculture, RI.

- Experience working with Government and in interdepartmental procedures as well as with private sectors and smallholder community is preferred
- Good organizational skills, with strong experience in organizing and facilitating meetings, workshops and writing reports
- Fluency in Bahasa Indonesia and proficient in English language, both spoken and written. (list of article or writing should be provided)

#### 8. PAYMENT

Payment will be made after satisfactory acceptance by UNDP the services provided on the following schedule:

Deliverables:	Percentage	Timing
Report on completeness of audit preparation documents. The consultant shall prepare a (10 pages) phase I report including all of the following components:	20%	30 October 2017
<ul> <li>a. Legality of plasma farm and cooperative;</li> <li>b. Field condition (large area, topographic, plant condition)</li> <li>c. Developed audit plan.</li> </ul>	14,	
Report on the audits findings in the field if Bukit Patalo Cooperatives, farmer group and growers. Upon completion, the field audit will produce a Phase II assessment/audit report.	50%	30 November 2017
Report of ISPO Certification endorsement from ISPO Commission	30%	30 December 2017