

## ADVERTISEMENT

### INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE (ICPN)

Terminal Evaluation of a "Strengthening Climate Information and Early Warning Systems Project in Sierra Leone", PIMS ID: 5107  
**(IC – National).**

**Date: March 23, 2018**

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**Procurement Notice No.: SLE/ICPN/2018/017**

**Country: Sierra Leone**

**Description of the assignment: National Consultant,** Terminal Evaluation of a "Strengthening Climate Information and Early Warning Systems Project in Sierra Leone", PIMS ID: 5107.

**Project Name:** Environment Sierra Leone.

**Period of assignment: 30 working days**

Proposal should be submitted at the following address, UNDP, 55 Wilkinson Road, Freetown, Sierra Leone or by email to [procure.sle@undp.org](mailto:procure.sle@undp.org) no later than **17:00 hours, on Tuesday May 8, 2018.**

Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic communication to the address or e-mail indicated above. UNDP Sierra Leone will respond in writing or by standard electronic mail and will send written copies of the response, including an explanation of the query without identifying the source of inquiry, to all consultants.

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#### 1. BACKGROUND

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The UNDP therefore requests applications from suitably qualified international and national (Sierra Leonean) candidates to e to conduct the terminal evaluation, in line with the provisions of the terms of references (ToRs), as follows:

#### **General Scope of the work**

##### **Objective and scope of the evaluation:**

The objectives of the evaluation are to assess the achievement of project results, and to draw lessons that can both improve the sustainability of benefits from this project, and aid in the overall enhancement of UNDP programming. The terminal evaluation (TE) will cover implementation of the entire project, since inception in October 2013 to October/November 2017.

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The evaluation must provide evidence-based information that is credible, reliable and useful. The evaluator is expected to follow a participatory and consultative approach ensuring close engagement with government counterparts, in particular the GEF operational focal point, UNDP Country Office, project team, UNDP GEF Technical Adviser based in the region and key stakeholders. The evaluator is expected to conduct a field mission to Bumbuna Hydroelectric Dam and Dodo/Goma Hydroelectric Dam in the Kenema District, including project sites in these areas. Interviews will be held with the following organizations and individuals at a minimum: The Ministry of Transport and Aviation, the Sierra Leone Meteorological Agency, the Disaster Management Department in the Office of National Security, the Environment Protection Agency Sierra Leone, the Water Directorate in the Ministry of Water Resources, the Bumbuna Watershed Management Authority in the Ministry of Energy, etc.

The evaluator(s) will review all relevant sources of information, such as the project document, project reports – including Annual APR/PIR, project budget revisions, mid-term review, progress reports, consultancy reports, GEF focal area tracking tools, project files, national strategic and legal documents, and any other materials that the evaluator considers useful for this evidence-based assessment. A list of documents that the project team will provide to the evaluator(s) for review is included in Annex B of this Terms of Reference.

**2. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Deliverables:** The evaluation team is expected to deliver the following:

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### 3. QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SUCCESSFUL INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTOR (IC)

#### Education:

- Master's degree or above in environmental sciences, natural resource management, international development, with specific academic or professional background related to climate change adaptation, monitoring and evaluation or other closely relevant fields (20 points)

#### Experience:

- Minimum 7 years of relevant professional experience on environment and climate change adaptation (20 points)
- Knowledge of UNDP and GEF evaluations (15 points)
- Previous experience with results-based monitoring and evaluation methodologies (15 points)
- Technical knowledge in the targeted focal area(s) Climate Change/climate information and Early warning (10 points)
- Experience working in Africa (10 points).

#### Language Requirement:

- Fluency in English, both oral and written, is required (10 points).

#### Important Note:

The Consultant is required to have the abovementioned professional and technical qualifications. **Only the applicant who hold these qualifications will be shortlisted and contacted.**

### 4. DOCUMENTS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN SUBMITTING THE PROPOSALS.

#### Qualified individuals are hereby requested to apply. The application must contain the following:

- Brief letter of application.
- Personal CV or P11, indicating relevant professional experience, as well as the contact details (email address and phone number) of at least three professional references.
- Technical proposal (methodology of approach to the task)
- Financial proposal that indicates the all-inclusive fixed total contract price supported by a breakdown of costs (including professional fee, and specified other costs if applicable)

#### Note:

- The information in the breakdown of the offered lump sum amount provided by the offeror will be used as the basis for determining best value for money, and as reference for any amendments of the contract.
- The agreed contract amount will remain fixed regardless of any factors causing an increase in the cost of any of the components in the breakdown that are not directly attributable to UNDP.
- Approved local travel related to this assignment will be arranged and paid by UNDP Sierra Leone.

**Please note that applications will only be considered if they include ALL of the items listed above. Also note that the UNDP job portal website only allows for one document to be uploaded, so please combine**

all of the abovementioned items into one single Word or PDF document before uploading.

## 5. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

### PAYMENT MILESTONES AND AUTHORITY

The prospective consultant will indicate the cost of services for each deliverable in Leone **all-inclusive**<sup>1</sup> lump sum contract amount when applying for this consultancy. The consultant will be paid based on the effective UN exchange rate (where applicable), and only after approving authority confirms the successful completion of each deliverable as stipulated hereunder.

The qualified consultant shall receive his/her lump sum service fees upon certification of the completed tasks satisfactorily, as per the following payment schedule:

Installment of Payment/ Period	Deliverables or Documents to be Delivered	Approval should be obtained	Percentage of Payment
1 <sup>st</sup> Installment	Upon submission of inception report.	Yes	10%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Instalment:	Upon submission and approval of draft terminal evaluation report.	Yes	40%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Instalment:	Upon submission and approval (UNDP-CO and UNDP RTA) of the final terminal evaluation report.	Yes	50%

## 6. EVALUATION

The UNDP Sierra Leone will choose among one of these two evaluation methods prior to submit the have the Individual Consultant Procurement Notice. Once the evaluation method has been selected the other one shall be deleted to avoid any misunderstanding

### CRITERIA FOR SELECTING THE BEST OFFER

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**Technical evaluation criteria (total 70 points):**

The consultant will be evaluated against a combination of technical and financial criteria. Maximum score is 100% out of a total score for technical criteria equals 70% and 30% for financial criteria. The technical evaluation will take into account the following as per the weightings provided:

**Technical evaluation criteria (total 70 points):**

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**Financial Criteria (30%)**

Criteria	Weight	Max. Point
Technical Competence (based on CV, Proposal and interview (if required))	70%	100
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<sup>1</sup> The term "All inclusive" implies that all costs (professional fees, travel costs, living allowances, communications, consummables, etc.) that could possibly be incurred by the Contractor are already factored into the final amounts submitted in the proposal

3. Methodology of approach in accomplishing the consultancy including though not limited to (a) timeline, (b) strategies addressing possible risks: 40 points.	40%	40
Total	70%	70
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<b>Total Score</b>	<b>Technical Score * 70% + Financial Score * 30%</b>	

  


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## **ANNEX**

**ANNEX 1- TERMS OF REFERENCES (TOR)**

**ANNEX 2- INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

## UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



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### Terms of Reference

#### I. Position Information

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#### V. Evaluation Ethics, Criteria and Ratings

Evaluation consultants will be held to the highest ethical standards and are required to sign a Code of Conduct (Annex E) upon acceptance of the assignment. UNDP evaluations are conducted in accordance with the principles outlined in the UNEP 'Ethical Guidelines for Evaluations'

An assessment of project performance will be carried out, based against expectations set out in the Project Logical Framework/Results Framework (See Annex A), which provides performance and impact indicators for project implementation along with their corresponding means of verification. The evaluation will at a minimum cover the criteria of: **relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, sustainability and impact**. Ratings must be provided on the following performance criteria. The completed table must be included in the evaluation executive summary. The obligatory rating scales are included in Annex D.

Evaluation Ratings:			
1. Monitoring and Evaluation	rating	2. IA& EA Execution	rating
M&E design at entry		Quality of UNDP Implementation	
M&E Plan Implementation		Quality of Execution - Executing Agency	
Overall quality of M&E		Overall quality of Implementation / Execution	
3. Assessment of Outcomes	rating	4. Sustainability	rating
Relevance		Financial resources:	
Effectiveness		Socio-political:	
Efficiency		Institutional framework and governance:	
Overall Project Outcome Rating		Environmental:	
		Overall likelihood of sustainability:	

#### VI. Project Finance / Co-Finance

The Evaluation will assess the key financial aspects of the project, including the extent of co-financing planned and realized. Project cost and funding data will be required, including annual expenditures. Variances between planned and actual expenditures will need to be assessed and explained. Results from recent financial audits, as available, should be taken into consideration. The evaluator(s) will receive assistance from the Country Office (CO) and Project Team to obtain financial data.

in order to complete the co-financing table below, which will be included in the terminal evaluation report.

Co-financing (type/source)	UNDP own financing (mill. US\$)		Government (mill. US\$)		Partner Agency (mill. US\$)		Total (mill. US\$)	
	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Actual	Actual
Grants								
Loans/Concessions								
• In-kind support								
• Other								
Totals								

## VII. Mainstreaming

UNDP supported GEF financed projects are key components in UNDP country programming, as well as regional and global programmes. The evaluation will assess the extent to which the project was successfully mainstreamed with other UNDP priorities, including poverty alleviation, improved governance, the prevention and recovery from natural disasters, and gender.

## VIII. Impact

The evaluators will assess the extent to which the project is achieving impacts or progressing towards the achievement of impacts. Key findings that should be brought out in the evaluations include whether the project has demonstrated: a) verifiable improvements in ecological status, b) verifiable reductions in stress on ecological systems, and/or c) demonstrated progress towards these impact achievements.<sup>2</sup>

## IX. Conclusions, Recommendations and Lessons

The evaluation report must include a chapter providing a set of **conclusions, recommendations and lessons**. Conclusions should build on findings and be based in evidence. Recommendations should be prioritized, specific, relevant, and targeted with suggested implementers of the recommendations. Lessons should have wider applicability to other initiatives across the region, the area of intervention, and for the future.

## X. Implementation Arrangements

The principal responsibility for managing this evaluation will be Team Leader/Acting Team Leader, Environment, Energy and Natural Resource Management Cluster, in the UNDP CO in Sierra Leone. The UNDP CO will contract the evaluators and ensure

<sup>2</sup> A useful tool for gauging progress to impact is the Review of Outcomes to Impacts (ROTI) method developed by the GEF Evaluation Office: [ROTI Handbook 2009](#)

the timely provision of logistics, including part payments, in line with contractual deliverables, travel arrangements, etc within the country for the evaluation team. The Project Team will be responsible for liaising with the Evaluators team to set up stakeholder interviews, arrange field visits, coordinate with the Government etc.

#### **XI. Evaluation Timeframe**

The total duration of the evaluation will be thirty (30) working day, from date of contract signing, according to the following plan:

Activity	Timing	Completion Date
Work Plan Preparation	3 days	To be determined upon contract signing
Evaluation Mission	15 days	To be determined upon contract signing
Draft Evaluation Report	10 days	To be determined upon contract signing
Final Report	2 days	To be determined upon contract signing

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#### **XII. Evaluation Deliverables**

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#### **XIII. Team Composition**

The evaluation team will be composed of 1 International and 1 national (Sierra Leone National) evaluators/consultants. The consultants shall have prior experience in evaluating similar projects. Experience with GEF financed projects is an advantage

The International Evaluator will be the team leader and be responsible for finalizing the report. The evaluators selected should not have participated in the project preparation and/or implementation and should not have conflict of interest with project related activities.

The Team members must present the following qualifications:

- Master's degree or above in environmental sciences, natural resource management, international development, with specific academic or professional background related to climate change adaptation, monitoring and evaluation or other closely relevant fields (20 points)
- Minimum 7 years of relevant professional experience on environment and climate change adaptation (20 points)
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#### **XIV. Application Procedures**

Applicants are requested to apply online (indicate the site, such as <http://jobs.undp.org>, etc.) by (to be inserted at point of advert). Individual consultants are invited to submit applications together with their CV for these positions. The application should contain a current and complete C.V. in English, with indication of the e-mail and phone contact. Shortlisted candidates will be requested to submit technical and financial proposals, indicating the methodology and sample evaluation questions they will use to deliver on the assignment and at what total cost of the assignment (including daily fee, per diem and travel costs).

UNDP applies a fair and transparent selection process that will take into account the competencies/skills of the applicants as well as their financial proposals. Qualified women and members of social minorities are encouraged to apply.

#### **XV. Payment Modalities and Specifications**

Payment to the consultants will be made in 3 instalments upon satisfactory submission of the following deliverables:

- 1st instalment: 10% upon submission of inception report.
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6. Availability (number of days proposed)

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## ANNEX A: PROJECT LOGICAL FRAMEWORK

<b>This project will contribute to achieving the following Country Programme Outcome as defined in CPAP or CPD:</b> policy and legal frameworks and institutional arrangements for managing natural resources and addressing climate change, disaster, and environmental management strengthened					
<b>Country Programme Outcome Indicators:</b> % change in equitable access and land tenure reform using the 2012 baseline; % change in production, utilisation and access to renewable energies as well as job creation; % increase of water supply adaptation to climate change; % change of impacts to natural disasters.					
<b>Primary applicable Key Environment and Sustainable Development Key Result Area (same as that on the cover page, circle one):</b> 3. Promote climate change adaptation					
<b>Applicable SOF (e.g.GEF) Strategic Objective and Program:</b> Climate Change Adaptation Objective 2 "Increase adaptive capacity to respond to the impact of climate change, including variability, at local, national, regional and global level"					
<b>Applicable SOF (e.g. GEF) Expected Outcomes:</b> Outcome 2.1: "Increased knowledge and understanding of climate variability and change-induced risks at country level and in targeted vulnerable areas; and Outcome 2.2: "Strengthened adaptive capacity to reduce risks to climate-induced economic losses."					
<b>Applicable SOF (e.g .GEF) Outcome Indicators:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Relevant risk information disseminated to stakeholders;</li><li>• Type and scope of monitoring systems in place; and</li><li>• % of population covered by climate change risk reduction measures.</li></ul>					
	Indicator	Baseline	Targets End of Project	Source of verification	Risks and Assumptions
Project Objective3 To strengthen the climate monitoring capabilities, early warning systems and available information	1.Capacity as per capacity assessment scorecard (BASELINE: 45; TARGET: 161) (see Annex 13)	1.Limited capacity to generate EWS and CI on a national scale for extreme hydro-meteorological phenomena Limited disaster risk	1. Capacity assessment TARGET score 161 for all combined EWS agencies	1. Capacity assessment scores	There is no political will to invest in monitor extreme weather and climate change.

<sup>3</sup>Objective (Atlas output) monitored quarterlyERBM and annually in APR/PIR

for responding to climate shocks and planning adaptation to climate change in Sierra Leone.	2.Domestic finance committed to the relevant institutions to monitor extreme weather and climate change	<p>prevention capacity on local levels within ONS-DMD</p> <p>No Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for alert communication by ONS-DMD with the support of NGOs/CSOs</p> <p>Current score: 45</p> <p>2.Existing budget plans do not have sufficient funds to maintain and operate environmental monitoring infrastructure</p> <p>Current budget: \$500,000</p>	<p>2. TARGET: 30% increase in domestic financing for equipment operation and maintenance across all institutions</p>	<p>2. Ministry budget lines for recurring costs</p> <p>GoSL institutions and other key stakeholders would keep the same level of interest and willingness to support SLMD</p>	
	Indicator	Baseline	Targets End of Project	Source of verification	Risks and Assumptions
Outcome 14 Enhanced capacity of national hydro-meteorological (NHMS) and environmental institutions to monitor extreme weather and climate change.	1.% national coverage of climate/weather and hydrological monitoring infrastructure	<p>1.Currently, there is 20 % national coverage for climate/weather monitoring with respect to the optimal arrangements defined in SLMD/DWR feasibility reports and WMO standards. Eighteen synoptic stations, 24 agro-meteorological stations, 13 climate stations, 35 rain gauges, 12 water level meters and 6 manual</p>	<p>1 Increase to 60 % national coverage to take steps in achieving NHMS optimal monitoring arrangements as defined in feasibility studies</p>	<p>1.Review of budget spent on equipment procurement and rehabilitation and data held on servers to show that new equipment is operational</p>	<p>Procurement and installation of equipment is delayed due to slow release of funds, lengthy processes and deficient data transmission systems locally.</p>

<sup>4</sup> All outcomes monitored annually in the APR/PIR. It is highly recommended not to have more than 4 outcomes.

	2.Frequency and timeliness of climate-related data availability (BASELINE: monthly);	flow meters are in place.  2.Data from manual weather and hydrological stations is collected monthly and transmitted by post.	2. TARGET for data transmission frequency: daily	2.Analysis of data frequency transmission using storage servers within each information production agency	Funds are released on time for speedy procurement processes and technical assistance in place for equipment installation and operationalisation.
Outcome 2 Efficient and effective use of hydro-meteorological and environmental information for making early warnings and long-term development plans.	1.% of population with access to improved climate information and flood, drought, strong wind and coastal warnings (disaggregated by gender)	1. There are existing EWS initiatives for regional dam management and famine alerts, however, a national alert system concerned with extreme hydro-meteorological phenomena is not available.  There is a limited understanding of technical alert jargon (alerts are not translated into all national languages). No mechanism exists for most vulnerable populations to be involved in the alert process to ensure its sustainability.  Current access to warnings: 35% men, 25% women	1. Increase to 50% in both men and women who have access to improved EWS/CI  Target: 50% men; 50% women	1. a) Gender disaggregated survey on receipt of alerts b) Record of debriefings by SLMD post extreme weather events c) SLMD record of end-user feedback	Government is not committed to integrate climate change risk and adaptation needs in these elected sector-specific strategic plans;
	2. GoSL Development	2.Development frameworks	2. At least 2 of the PRSP	2. Review of GoSL Development	The partnership between CC-DAMAS and CIESIN



	Plans and land-use plans at National/District that integrate climate information in their formulation of poverty reduction strategies and links between poverty and the environment at local levels (BASELINE: No integration; TARGET Integration of at least 1 National and 1 district development Plan and land-use Plan incorporates climate change risks into their design. into the revised in 2015)	do not incorporate any EWS/CI products such as risk maps or climate change predictions into long-term planning Current score: 0	policy briefs incorporate analyses of risk maps and/or climate change projections influencing long-term planning proposals Target score: 2	Plans and land-use plans at National/District to validate incorporation of risk, weather and/or climate information	for development of systematic streamlining of digital information will help GoSL to address this issue. There will be technical capacity to advise.
	3. Sector-specific EW products and strategies that integrate climate risks mining, tourism, and land management sectors)	3. Sector specific strategies do not include EWS/CI because the quality of weather forecasts and climate predictions are poor and not tailored for specific uses, particularly seasonal forecasts. Current score: 0	3. Development of at least 2 tailored climate products and presentation of market research plan on how to implement mobile phone based agricultural advisories, both supporting targeted weather/climate service delivery Target score: 2	3.a) Partnerships formed between information producers and the Ministries of Water Resources, SLEPA and Agriculture, private sectors, NGOs and women organizations to support weather/climate service delivery b) Sector specific products delivered by Met and disaster management.	

## **ANNEX B: LIST OF DOCUMENTS TO BE REVIEWED BY THE EVALUATORS**

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*GEF Project Information Form (PIF), Project Document, and Log Frame Analysis (LFA)*

*CEO Endorsement Request*

*Project Inception Report*

*Project Implementation Plan*

*Implementing/Executing partner arrangements*

*List and contact details for project staff, key project stakeholders, including Project Boards, and other partners to be consulted*

*Project sites, highlighting suggested visits*

*Annual Project Implementation (APR/PIR) Reports*

*Project budget and financial data*

*Project Tracking Tool, at baseline and at terminal points*

*UNDP Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF)*

*UNDP Country Programme Document (CPD)*

*GEF focal area strategic program objectives*

*Project deliverables, including consultancy reports, Minutes from Project Steering Committee Meetings, audit reports, quarterly standard reports*

## ANNEX C: EVALUATION QUESTIONS

This Evaluation Criteria Matrix must be fully completed/amended by the consultant and included in the TE inception report and as an Annex to the TE report.

Evaluative Criteria Questions	Indicators	Sources	Methodology
<b>Relevance: How does the project relate to the main objectives of the GEF focal area, and to the environment and development priorities at the local, regional and national levels?</b>			
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•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•
<b>Effectiveness: To what extent have the expected outcomes and objectives of the project been achieved?</b>			
•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•
<b>Efficiency: Was the project implemented efficiently, in-line with international and national norms and standards?</b>			
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•	•	•	•	•
Sustainability: To what extent are there financial, institutional, social-economic, and/or environmental risks to sustaining long-term project results?				
•	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•	•
Impact: Are there indications that the project has contributed to, or enabled progress toward, reduced environmental stress and/or improved ecological status?				
•	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	•	•

## ANNEX D: RATING SCALES

<b><i>Ratings for Effectiveness, Efficiency, Overall Project Outcome Rating, M&amp;E, IA &amp; EA Execution:</i></b>	<b><i>Sustainability ratings:</i></b>	<b><i>Relevance ratings:</i></b>
6. Highly Satisfactory (HS): no shortcomings  5. Satisfactory (S): minor shortcomings  4. Moderately Satisfactory (MS): moderate shortcomings  3. Moderately Unsatisfactory (MU): significant shortcomings  2. Unsatisfactory (U): major shortcomings  1. Highly Unsatisfactory (HU): severe shortcomings	4. Likely (L): negligible risks to sustainability  3. Moderately Likely (ML): moderate risks  2. Moderately Unlikely (MU): significant risks  1. Unlikely (U): severe risks	2. Relevant (R)  1. Not relevant (NR)
<b><i>Additional ratings where relevant:</i></b>  Not Applicable (N/A)  Unable to Assess (U/A)		

## ANNEX E: EVALUATION CONSULTANT CODE OF CONDUCT AND AGREEMENT FORM

### Evaluators:

1. Must present information that is complete and fair in its assessment of strengths and weaknesses so that decisions or actions taken are well founded.
2. Must disclose the full set of evaluation findings along with information on their limitations and have this accessible to all affected by the evaluation with expressed legal rights to receive results.
3. Should protect the anonymity and confidentiality of individual informants. They should provide maximum notice, minimize demands on time, and respect people's right not to engage. Evaluators must respect people's right to provide information in confidence, and must ensure that sensitive information cannot be traced to its source. Evaluators are not expected to evaluate individuals, and must balance an evaluation of management functions with this general principle.
4. Sometimes uncover evidence of wrongdoing while conducting evaluations. Such cases must be reported discreetly to the appropriate investigative body. Evaluators should consult with other relevant oversight entities when there is any doubt about if and how issues should be reported.
5. Should be sensitive to beliefs, manners and customs and act with integrity and honesty in their relations with all stakeholders. In line with the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, evaluators must be sensitive to and address issues of discrimination and gender equality. They should avoid offending the dignity and self-respect of those persons with whom they come in contact in the course of the evaluation. Knowing that evaluation might negatively affect the interests of some stakeholders, evaluators should conduct the evaluation and communicate its purpose and results in a way that clearly respects the stakeholders' dignity and self-worth.
6. Are responsible for their performance and their product(s). They are responsible for the clear, accurate and fair written and/or oral presentation of study limitations, findings and recommendations.
7. Should reflect sound accounting procedures and be prudent in using the resources of the evaluation.

### Evaluation Consultant Agreement Form<sup>5</sup>

#### Agreement to abide by the Code of Conduct for Evaluation in the UN System

Name of Consultant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Consultancy Organization (where relevant): \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that I have received and understood and will abide by the United Nations Code of Conduct for Evaluation.

Signed at place on date

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>5</sup>[www.unevaluation.org/unegcodeofconduct](http://www.unevaluation.org/unegcodeofconduct)

## ANNEX F: EVALUATION REPORT OUTLINE<sup>6</sup>

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- i. Opening page:
  - Title of UNDP supported GEF financed project
  - UNDP and GEF project ID#s
  - Evaluation time frame and date of evaluation report
  - Region and countries included in the project
  - GEF Operational Program/Strategic Program
  - Implementing Partner and other project partners
  - Evaluation team members
  - Acknowledgements
- ii. Executive Summary
  - Project Summary Table
  - Project Description (brief)
  - Evaluation Rating Table
  - Summary of conclusions, recommendations and lessons
- iii. Acronyms and Abbreviations

(See: UNDP Editorial Manual<sup>7</sup>)
1. Introduction
  - Purpose of the evaluation
  - Scope & Methodology
  - Structure of the evaluation report
2. Project description and development context
  - Project start and duration
  - Problems that the project sought to address
  - Immediate and development objectives of the project
  - Baseline Indicators established
  - Main stakeholders
  - Expected Results
3. Findings

(In addition to a descriptive assessment, all criteria marked with (\*) must be rated<sup>8</sup>)
- 3.1 Project Design / Formulation
  - Analysis of LFA/Results Framework (Project logic /strategy; Indicators)
  - Assumptions and Risks
  - Lessons from other relevant projects (e.g., same focal area) incorporated into project design
  - Planned stakeholder participation
  - Replication approach
  - UNDP comparative advantage

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<sup>6</sup>The Report length should not exceed 40 pages in total (not including annexes).

<sup>7</sup> UNDP Style Manual, Office of Communications, Partnerships Bureau, updated November 2008

<sup>8</sup> See Annex D for rating scales. See UNDP-GEF TE Guidance section 3.5, page 37 for ratings explanations.

- Linkages between project and other interventions within the sector
  - Management arrangements
- 3.2 Project Implementation
- Adaptive management (changes to the project design and project outputs during implementation)
  - Partnership arrangements (with relevant stakeholders involved in the country/region)
  - Feedback from M&E activities used for adaptive management
  - Project Finance
  - Monitoring and evaluation: design at entry (\*), implementation (\*), and overall assessment (\*)
  - Implementing Agency (UNDP) execution (\*) and Executing Agency execution (\*), overall project implementation/ execution (\*), coordination, and operational issues
- 3.3 Project Results
- Overall results (attainment of objectives) (\*)
  - Relevance (\*)
  - Effectiveness (\*)
  - Efficiency (\*)
  - Country ownership
  - Mainstreaming
  - Sustainability: financial resources (\*), socio-economic (\*), institutional framework and governance (\*), environmental (\*), and overall likelihood (\*)
  - Impact
4. Conclusions, Recommendations & Lessons
- Corrective actions for the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the project
  - Actions to follow up or reinforce initial benefits from the project
  - Proposals for future directions underlining main objectives
  - Best and worst practices in addressing issues relating to relevance, performance and success
5. Annexes
- ToR
  - Itinerary
  - List of persons interviewed
  - Summary of field visits
  - List of documents reviewed
  - Evaluation Question Matrix
  - Questionnaire used and summary of results
  - Evaluation Consultant Agreement Form
  - Report Clearance Form
  - *Annexed in a separate file:* TE audit trail
  - *Annexed in a separate file:* Terminal GEF Tracking Tool, if applicable



## ANNEX G: EVALUATION REPORT CLEARANCE FORM

*(to be completed by CO and UNDP GEF Technical Adviser based in the region and included in the final document)*

Evaluation Report Reviewed and Cleared by

UNDP Country Office

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

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

UNDP GEF RTA

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

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

## ANNEX H: TE REPORT AUDIT TRAIL

The following is a template for the evaluator to show how the received comments on the draft TE report have (or have not) been incorporated into the final TE report. This audit trail should be included as an annex in the final TE report.

To the comments received on *(date)* from the Terminal Evaluation of *(project name)* (UNDP PIMS #)

*The following comments were provided in track changes to the draft Terminal Evaluation report; they are referenced by institution ("Author" column) and by comment number ("#" column):*

Author	#	Para No./ comment location	Comment/Feedback on the draft TE report	Evaluator response and actions taken



## **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 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.