

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

Monitoring and Evaluation

To interested bidders	DATE: February 5, 2019		
	REFERENCE: RFP/BPPS/2018/CPS/1590		

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your Proposal for **LECB and NDC Programmes - Monitoring and Evaluation**

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

Proposals may be submitted on or before **Wednesday**, **February 20**, **2019** via email to: **priyanka.chaudhary@undp.org**

Your Proposal must be expressed in the English, and valid for a minimum period of 120 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 at another email address and after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation. Kindly ensure that your proposals are signed and in the .pdf format not exceeding seven megabytes (7MB), and free from any virus or corrupted files.

Proposer must consider the following while submitting the proposals:

- For the *Technical* proposal please indicate on the email subject field:
 TECHNICAL PROPOSAL_LECB NDC ME
- For the Financial proposal please indicate on the email subject field:
 FINANCIAL PROPOSAL LECB NDC ME

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 indicated herein. The mere act of submission of a Proposal implies that the Service Provider accepts without question the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP in this link: http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html

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: http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct_english.pdf

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your Proposal.

Global Team Leader, Climate Change
BPPS, UNDP

Sincerely your

05 February 2019

Description of Requirements

Context of the	The NDC Support Programme seeks the services of a firm to conduct a suite of	
Requirement	monitoring and evaluation tasks, including a project evaluation, a programme	
Requirement	learning assessment and the creation a results-based framework for futur	
1	monitoring and evaluation of a multi-donor climate mitigation programme.	
Implementing	N/A	
Partner of UNDP		
Brief Description	To conduct a suite of monitoring and evaluation tasks, including a project	
of the Required	evaluation, a programme learning assessment and the creation a results-based	
Services	framework for future monitoring and evaluation of a multi-donor climate	
	mitigation programme.	
List and	- Project evaluation	
Description of	- Programme learning assessment	
Expected Outputs	- Creation of a results-based monitoring framework/system for future monitoring	
to be Delivered	and evaluation	
	More details on Annex III	
Person to		
Supervise the	NDC Support Programme - Programme Specialist	
Work/Performanc		
e of the Service		
Provider		
Frequency of	Monthly	
Reporting		
Progress Reporting	Formal reporting scope will be determined through the initial planning meeting	
Requirements	between UNDP and the selected contractor, but at a minimum will include	
	monthly reporting by the Lead Contractor to the Programme Specialist via	
	teleconference, followed by a summary of discussion, key activities undertaken,	
	challenges, and upcoming plans.	
Location of work	□ At Contractor's Location □ At Contractor's Loc	
Expected duration	Four months	
of work		
Target start date	March 2019	
Latest completion	No later than July 2019	
date	·	
Travels Expected	No travel is expected.	
Special Security		
Requirements	⊠ Not Applicable	
Facilities to be		
Provided by UNDP	⋈ Not Applicable	
(i.e., must be		
Provided by UNDP	⊠ Not Applicable	

excluded from				
Price Proposal)				
Implementation				
Schedule	N Dogwing d			
	□ Required			
indicating				
breakdown and				
timing of				
activities/sub-				
activities				
Names and				
curriculum vitae of	⊠ Required			
individuals who				
will be involved in				
completing the				
services				
Currency of	□ United States Dollars			
Proposal				
Value Added Tax		nd other appli	cable ind	irect taxes
on Price Proposal				
Validity Period of				
Proposals				
(Counting for the	,			
last day of	In exceptional circumstances	. UNDP mav	request t	the Proposer to extend the
submission of	validity of the Proposal beyon	•	•	•
quotes)	Proposal shall then confirm t			-
, ,	whatsoever on the Proposal.			
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Partial Quotes	Not permitted ■			
Payment Terms	Outputs	Percentage	Timing	Condition for Payment
		o o		Release
	Upon signature of contract	20%		Within thirty (30) days from
		2075		the date of meeting the
	Upon submission of LECB	25%		following conditions:
	Learning Assessment		TBD	a) UNDP's written
	(Deliverable 1)			acceptance (i.e., not
	Upon submission EU-INDC	25%	TBD	mere receipt) of the
	Project Evaluation			quality of the outputs;
	(Deliverable 2)			and
	Upon submission of M&E	30%	TBD	b) Receipt of invoice
	Framework and reporting			from the Service
	template (Deliverable 3)			Provider.
Person(s) to	,,	<u> </u>	1	
review/inspect/	NDC Support Programme Man	ager: to be na	amed upo	on contract award
approve	115 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1			
outputs/complete				
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authorize the disbursement of payment			
Criteria for Contract Award	☐ Highest Combined Score (based on the 70% technical offer and 30% price weight distribution)		
	☑ Full acceptance of the UNDP Contract General Terms and Conditions (GTC). This is a mandatory criteria and cannot be deleted regardless of the nature of services required. Non acceptance of the GTC may be grounds for the rejection of the Proposal.		
Criteria for the Assessment of Proposal	Technical Proposal (70%) (Minimum pass score is 49 points out of 70 total obtainable) Proposals will be evaluated separately and based on the below criteria.		
	REFFER TO ANNEX III for Required Qualifications		
	 Qualifications of company (15 points): Demonstrated 10 years of experience monitoring and evaluation of climate-related projects and programmes. (5 points) Demonstrated experience with result-based management evaluation methodologies (5 points) Demonstrated experience with UNDP and EU evaluation procedures, criteria and requirements (5 points) 		
	 Qualifications of the company's Team Leader (30 points): Minimum 10 years of relevant professional experience related to monitoring and evaluation of development and/or capacity building projects (10 points) Demonstrated experience designing result-based monitoring frameworks for global projects. (12 points) Technical knowledge in the targeted focal area(s) of climate mitigation and sustainable development (5 points) Working knowledge of the projects to be assessed (3 points) Qualifications of team members (10 points) Substantive and demonstrated project evaluation/review experience with capacity building projects in the targeted focal area(s) of climate mitigation, sustainable development, and results-based monitoring. (10 points) 		
	 Proposed methodology for completion of services (15 points): Demonstrates good understanding of the tasks and timelines of the TORs (15 points) 		

	Financial Proposal (30%) (Only bidders who get minimum of 49 points on technical evaluation will be technically responsive and considered for financial evaluation) To be computed as a ratio of the Proposal's offer to the lowest price among the proposals received by UNDP. FP Rating = (Lowest Priced Offer / Price of the Offer Being Reviewed) x 100 Total Combined Score: (TP Rating) x (Weight of TP, e.g. 70%) + (FP Rating) x (Weight of FP, e.g. 30%) Total Combined and Final Rating of the Proposal
UNDP will award the contract to:	☑ One and only one Service Provider
Type of Contract to be Signed	 □ Purchase Order ☑ Contract Face Sheet (Goods and-or Services) UNDP (this template is also utilised for Long-Term Agreement¹ and if LTA will be signed, specify the document that will trigger the call-off. E.g., PO, etc.) □ Other Type/s of Contract
Contract General Terms and Conditions ²	☐ General Terms and Conditions for contracts (goods and/or services) Applicable Terms and Conditions are available at: http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html
Annexes to this RFP ³	☑ Form for Submission of Proposal (Annex 2)☑ Detailed TOR (Annex 3)

¹ Minimum of one (1) year period and may be extended up to a maximum of three (3) years subject to satisfactory

performance evaluation

² 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.

³ Where the information is available in the web, a URL for the information may simply be provided.

Contact Person for Inquiries (Written inquiries only)⁴

Focal person in UNDP: Priyanka Chaudhary Email: Priyanka.chaudhary@undp.org

Last day to submit questions to UNDP is 5 days before the submission date. UNDP will provide responses on a rolling basis.

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.

⁴ 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.

ANNEX II

FORM FOR SUBMITTING SERVICE PROVIDER'S PROPOSAL⁵

(This Form must be submitted only using the Service Provider's Official Letterhead/Stationery⁶)

[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.
- c) 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 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

⁵ This serves as a guide to the Service Provider in preparing the Proposal.

⁶ Official Letterhead/Stationery must indicate contact details – addresses, email, phone and fax numbers – for verification purposes

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		
2	Deliverable 2		
3			
	Total	100%	

^{*}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				
1. Services from Home Office				
a. Expertise 1				
b. Expertise 2				
2. Services from Field Offices				
a . Expertise 1				
b. Expertise 2				
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]

ANNEX III

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TORS:

Project evaluations and results-based framework development for future monitoring and evaluation

Project Title: NDC Support Programme

Title of Services/Work: RFP: Project Evaluation, future monitoring and reporting

Country / Region of Work Location: Global

Language of the Proposal: English

Latest Expected date for commencement of Contract: 1 March 2019

Expected duration of contract: 4 months

BACKGROUND

The Paris Agreement on Climate Change 2015, is the world's first global agreement to address climate change and to transition to a resilient, low-carbon economy. The goal it to limit average global temperature rise to less than 2 degrees Celsius, and ideally below 1.5 Celsius, by the end of the century. Each country submitted a contribution in terms of emission reduction targets. UNDP has been one of the leading organizations supporting countries on the design and implementation of these national climate plans through direct technical support, and capacity building through peer-to-peer knowledge sharing forums.

Under the Secretary General's "One UN" strategy, UNDP is one of the three leading organizations on the implementation of the Paris Agreement. UNDP's work on climate change already spans more than 140 countries and USD \$2.8 billion in investments in climate change adaptation and mitigation measures since 2008. A programme funded by the European Union, and the Governments of Germany and Spain, (building directly upon the results of the Low Emission Capacity Building Programme) will help countries implement their climate commitments in the context of their development priorities.

Results-based monitoring and reporting frameworks borne out of lessons learned from predecessor projects will help to create a critical foundation for robust knowledge capture, systematic reporting, and better delivery of services to our countries as well as programme donors. For this reason, UNDP seeks a firm to carry out a suite of monitoring and evaluation tasks that responds to the Programme's myriad needs.

Objective

The NDC Support Programme seeks the services of a firm to conduct a suite of monitoring and evaluation tasks, including a project evaluation, a programme learning assessment and the creation a results-based framework for future monitoring and evaluation of a multi-donor climate mitigation programme.

Under the supervision of the UNDP Support Programme Specialist, and in close collaboration with the UNDP Climate Technical Specialist, the firm will be responsible for the following tasks:

Evaluation and Assessment

• <u>Deliverable 1:</u> Prepare a Learning Assessment of the UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building Programme using existing data and interviews with HQ staff and select country representatives (as needed).

At a minimum the evaluation should include:

- Executive Summary
- Introduction
- Description of the Intervention(s)
- Evaluation Scope and Objectives
- Evaluation Approach and Methods
- Data Analysis
- o Findings and Conclusions
- Recommendations
- Lessons Learned

The number of days to complete this deliverable is estimated at up to 30 days. It may happen concurrently with additional deliverables.

• <u>Deliverable 2:</u> Prepare a final evaluation of the EU-INDC Project as required by EU contractual obligations through a desk review of existing data and a digital survey (as needed). (all data will be provided to the successful firm);

At a minimum the evaluation should include:

- Executive Summary
- o Introduction
- Description of the Intervention
- Evaluation Scope and Objectives
- Evaluation Approach and Methods
- Data Analysis
- Findings and Conclusions
- Recommendations
- Lessons Learned

The number of days to complete this deliverable is estimated at up to 20 days. It may happen concurrently with additional deliverables.

Monitoring and Evaluation Architecture

- <u>Deliverable 3:</u> Develop a monitoring and evaluation framework for the NDC Support Programme, a multi-donor, global programme. The monitoring and evaluation framework shall include:
 - Consolidation of varying global results frameworks to track and capture outcomes and impacts;
 - o Review and improvement of national results frameworks and indicators;
 - Creation of a global, results-based monitoring framework including a critical view of meaningful indicators, proposed data collection methods and submission of draft templates for data collection and tracking;
 - Proposal of practical monitoring tools and templates to support a nested and streamlined
 M&E system for both global and national level tracking and reporting;

o In-person or virtual training for programme staff on the importance of meaningful impact-oriented reporting and how to capture and communicate results.

The number of days to complete this deliverable is estimated at approximately 20 days.

Institutional Arrangements:

- NDC Support Programme Programme Specialist will directly supervise the contractor in close coordination with the NDC Support Programme Technical Specialist. The disbursement of payments will be approved by NDC Support Programme Manager.
- UNDP will provide all relevant information necessary for execution of the tasks under this assignment.

Timeline of Activities

	Deliverables	Timeframe
1	Review of project and programme reports, frameworks,	March
	evaluations, etc.	
2	Draft LECB Learning Assessment (UNDP review timeframe: 2	April
	weeks) (Deliverable 1)	
3	Draft INDC Pagoda Final Evaluation (UNDP review timeframe: 2	April
	weeks) (Deliverable 2)	
4	Draft Monitoring and Evaluation Framework and tools (UNDP	May
	review timeframe: 2 weeks) (Deliverable 3)	
5	Final evaluations and framework submitted	May - June
6	Training for Programme Staff	June

Qualifications

Required Qualifications of firm

- Minimum of 7 years experience in monitoring and evaluation of climate-related projects and programmes;
- Minimum of 5 years experience with strategic planning and/or result-based management evaluation methodologies and planning;
- Demonstrated experience with UNDP and EU evaluation procedures, criteria and requirements;
- Excellent report-writing, communication, and analytical skills.

Note: The evaluation team must be composed of a minimum of 1 Team Leader and 2 members

Required Qualifications of Team Leader

- Minimum 7 years of professional experience related to monitoring and evaluation of development and/or capacity building projects;
- Previous experience designing result-based monitoring frameworks for global projects;
- Technical knowledge in the targeted focal area(s) of climate mitigation and sustainable development;
- Knowledge of UNDP climate change mitigation project development and evaluation processes
- Proven excellent English writing skills.

Required Qualifications of Team Members

- Previous experience with results-based monitoring and evaluation methodologies;
- Proven experience with analysis of climate change mitigation projects globally, including analysis of barriers and mitigation strategies, and economic, social, and environment benefits.