

## **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS REPORT**

<u>To:</u> Offerors

From: UNDP Lebanon

**Subject:** Procurement of Individual Consultant Services to conduct External Evaluation of

the 2010-2014 UNDAF, and formulation of the 2015-2019 UNDAF/ISF

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UNDP Lebanon Procurement Unit has received several questions regarding the subject tendering Procedure. All questions received to-date are documented below with respective answers.

## **Questions and Answers**

I have reviewed UNDAF thoroughly while conducting the MTR for UNFPA during the summer of 2012. I found it to be quite complex and including many partners to consider in the evaluation. This, as I perceive it, makes the 3 weeks' timeline set for the evaluation to be somehow unrealistic to deliver quality product. Also, the evaluation, as you stated in the notice, has to be conducted with a draft report developed in 2 weeks' time.

My question is; would it be possible to consider the timeline set for this evaluation to make it more appropriate to develop effective and efficient results?

A. The external evaluation of the UNDAF is expected to build upon the in-depth mid-term review of 2012. The process was conducted over a period of six months, and it included a number of meetings of the integrated working groups and in-depth consultations with government counterparts.

In addition this exercise will benefit from the evaluations and mid-term reviews of other agency country programme documents, like for instance UNDP, UNICEF and UNFPA. This is the reason why the UNCT Planning Team agreed to keep the evaluation process short and as light as possible.

We estimate that 15 working days, as indicated in the TOR, should be sufficient to conduct a good evaluation, but we are flexible on the deliverable dates. For instance, the 15 working days can be spread over a longer period to provide more time for feedback from the agencies, as needed.

