## PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE MINUTES

**Subject:** Request for proposal, PUDC Feasibility Study in Gambia, Liberia and Sierra Leone. (ref. 2019/UNDP/GAM/OPS/108)

**Date, Time and venue**: 16 July 2019 at 10:00 am GMT via video conference on this link below: https://zoom.us/j/823907356?pwd=ZUILclUrNkJNd2hSZDFPa1NuL1kyQT09

**Invited participants**: All potential bidders to RFP in above subject and any other stakeholders.

The platform for the video conference hosted by Thomas Mugabiyimana, UNDP Gambia, was opened as expected at 10:00 am GMT on July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019. It was kept open up to 11:15 am.

Two potential bidders joined the video conference platform from different countries. After a brief introduction about the ongoing procurement process by Mr. Thomas Mugabiyimana, the representative of one of the two companies attending the meeting asked the questions below:

<u>Question 1</u>: Is it possible for bidders to bid through a joint venture?

## Answer to question 1:

Yes, bidders can present their offers through joint ventures.

<u>Question 2</u>: Will the list of key stakeholders to consult/interview be provided to the contractor/retained bidder or Will the key stakeholders list to consult/interview be constituted by the contractor him/herself?

## Answer to question 2:

Regarding the key stakeholders to consult or interview during the feasibility study, the expert firm/contractor hired to conduct the study will get a support to constitute the list of key stakeholders. Each country is expected to hire a national consultant who will have among his/her tasks the collection of data on key stakeholders. He/she will serve as the focal point for any information/interviews the contractor requests.

## <u>Question 3</u>: Is the visit of PUDC ongoing projects in Senegal and Togo mandatory? <u>Answer to question 1</u>:

The visit of PUDC ongoing projects is relevant for a successful required feasibility study. Therefore, it is mandatory.

Another pre-proposal conference was suggested to offer a second opportunity to any other potential bidder who may have failed to connect to the video conference platform for the first meeting. It will be held on Monday July  $22^{nd}$ , 2019 at 12:00 p.m. GMT through the following video conference link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/481463425">https://zoom.us/j/481463425</a>. No password is required, should be there any connection problem, query should be immediately addressed to thomas.mugabiyimana@undp.org .