

## **Request for Proposal (RFP)**

Date: 13 Nov 2013

Dear Sir/Madam,

# Subject: RFP for the provision of Drupal Development Services and Drupal Theme Development (Teamworks) through a Long Term Arrangement with UNDP

- 1. You are requested to submit a proposal for Drupal Development Services and Drupal Theme Development through a long term agreement (LTA) with UNDP, as per enclosed Terms of Reference (TOR). The future engagements of external resources will be based on LTA framework contracts defining the applicable rates of the resources deployed.
- 2. These LTA contracts will be based on this RFP, with the effective date of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014. UNDP will select a number of Offerors (Companies) for these types of services, and award LTA framework contracts.
- 3. UNDP's intention through this RFP is to develop a group of companies from which to draw resources whenever there is a need. An LTA will be issued as described in paragraph 2 and 25. Model LTA is attached as Annex VI. In subsequent availability of an assignment, companies will be issued another contract to perform the task. Here refered to as an "Institutional Contract"
- 4. Offerors have to apply for both Drupal Development and Drupal Theme Development Services in this RFP.
- 5. To enable you to submit a proposal, attached are:

i.	Instructions to Offerors	(Annex I)
ii.	General Conditions of Contract	(Annex II)

iii. Terms of Reference (TOR)..........(Annex III)

iv. Proposal Submission Form .....(Annex IV)

v. Price Schedule .....(Annex V)

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6. Your offer comprising of technical proposal and financial proposal, in separate sealed envelopes, should be delivered to the following address no later than 5pm, Monday, 2 December 2013.

Knowledge Innovation and Capacity Group, Bureau for Development Policy United Nations Development Programme 304 East 45<sup>th</sup> St, FF-612 New York, NY 10017

Attention: Baholy Andrianaivo

Tel: 212 906 6315/5086

7. If you request additional information, we would endeavor to provide information expeditiously, but any delay in providing such information will not be considered a reason for extending the submission date of your proposal. Any questions in regards to the RFP, please be directed to the following e mail address: rfp-questions@unteamworks.org.

Yours sincerely,

Knowledge Innovation and Capacity Group Bureau for Development Policy United Nations Development Programme

# Instructions to Offerors A. Introduction

#### 1. General

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is the global development network of the United Nations, advocating for change and connecting countries to knowledge, experience and resources to help people build a better life.

Knowledge Management is a key strategic enabler and a UNDP mission-critical function that adds value to the day-to-day business of UNDP and serves as a cohesive component of the UN-wide knowledge structure in the context of UN reform. UNDP continues to build upon its achievements and lessons learned about how to mobilise and utilise the rich elements dispersed within the organization to enrich its knowledge base. The result is a UNDP that is able to draw on its full potential as a knowledge-based organization where individuals and their knowledge are fully connected and mobilised to collaborate globally for more effective delivery of development results. This approach will also be integral to current "Delivering as One" UN reform efforts.

The Knowledge Innovation and Capacity Group, Bureau for Development Policy, UNDP provides Knowledge Management Services for the entire organization. As part of its strategy, the group has established an online platform "Teamworks" built in Drupal 6, featuring blogs, multimedia, social networking, community, gallery and other features, with substantial customisation. Teamworks is a social networking application developed to share knowledge assets, create several types of collaborative "spaces," and establish communities of practices linking together thousands of staff members, experts, consultants, external partners and clients around the world. The platform has a rapidly expanding base of users, currently numbering over 80,000 from within UNDP and approved partners, made available through a number of separate secure and public domains. Teamworks was developed to meet UNDP's specific and detailed requirements and launched in November 2010. Visit the public site of Teamworks at <a href="https://www.unteamworks.org">www.unteamworks.org</a> for more unformation.

As new partners join Teamworks, customization of the platform is required to support growing needs, and as such the Knowledge Innovation and Capacity Group requires the services of a group of companies capable of expanding and contracting in line with changing needs of users on the platform.

This Request for Proposal relates to the provision of Drupal Development Theme Services and Drupal Development in support of the United Nations Development Programme's tailor-made Drupal-based online knowledge management platform, Teamworks.

#### 2. Cost of proposal

The Offeror shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of the Proposal, UNDP will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the solicitation.

## **B. Solicitation Documents**

#### 3. Contents of solicitation documents

Proposals must offer services for the total requirement ie Drupal Development Theme Services and Drupal Development . Proposals offering only part of the requirement will be rejected. The Offeror is expected to examine all corresponding instructions, forms, terms and specifications contained in the Solicitation Documents. Failure to comply with these documents will be at the Offeror's risk and may affect the evaluation of the Proposal.

#### **4.** Clarification of solicitation documents

A prospective Offeror requiring any clarification of the Solicitation Documents may notify the procuring UNDP entity by email. The procuring UNDP entity will respond in writing to any request for clarification of the Solicitation Documents that it receives earlier than one week prior to the deadline for the submission of Proposals. Copies of the organisation's response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) will be provided to all prospective Offerors that have received the Solicitation Documents.

#### 5. Amendments of solicitation documents

At any time prior to the deadline for submission of Proposals, the procuring UNDP entity may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective Offeror, modify the Solicitation Documents by amendment.

All prospective Offerors that have received the Solicitation Documents will be notified by email or in UNDP's procurement website of all amendments to the Solicitation Documents.

In order to afford prospective Offerors reasonable time in which to take the amendments into account in preparing their offers, the procuring UNDP entity may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of Proposals.

## C. Preparation of Proposals

#### **6.** Language of the proposal

The Proposals prepared by the Offeror and all correspondence and documents relating to the Proposal exchanged by the Offeror and the procuring UNDP entity shall be written in the English language.

#### 7. Documents comprising the proposal

The Proposal shall comprise the following components:

- (a) Proposal submission form;
- (b) Operational and technical part of the Proposal, including documentation to demonstrate that the Offeror meets all requirements;
- (c) Price schedule, completed in accordance with clauses 8 and 9;

#### **8.** Proposal form

The Offeror shall structure the operational and technical part of its Proposal as follows:

#### (a) Management plan

This section should provide corporate orientation to include the year and state/country of incorporation and a brief description of the Offeror's present activities. It should focus on services related to the Proposal.

This section should also describe the organisational focal point and unit(s) that will become responsible for the contract, and the general management approach towards a project of this kind. The Offeror should comment on its experience in similar projects and identify the person(s) representing the Offeror in any future dealing with the procuring UNDP entity.

#### (b) Resource plan

This should fully explain the Offeror's resources in terms of personnel and facilities necessary for the performance of this requirement. It should describe the Offeror's current capabilities/facilities and any plans for their expansion. All proposed team members must be named, and their actual CVs must be provided. UNDP will evaluate the capabilities of actual team members to be assigned to the engagement.

#### (c) Proposed methodology

This section should demonstrate the Offeror's responsiveness to the specification by identifying the specific components proposed, addressing the requirements, as specified, point by point; providing a detailed description of the essential performance characteristics proposed warranty; and demonstrating how the proposed methodology meets or exceeds the specifications.

The operational and technical part of the Proposal **should not** contain any pricing information whatsoever on the services offered. Pricing information shall be separated and only contained in the appropriate Price Schedules.

It is mandatory that the Offeror's Proposal numbering system corresponds with the numbering system used in the body of this RFP. All references to descriptive material and brochures should be included in the appropriate response paragraph, though material/documents themselves may be provided as annexes to the Proposal/response.

Information which the Offeror considers proprietary, if any, should be dearly marked "proprietary" next to the relevant part of the text and it will then be treated as such accordingly.

#### 9. Proposal prices

The Offeror shall indicate on an appropriate Price Schedule, an example of which is contained in these Solicitation Documents, the prices of services it proposes to supply under the contract.

#### **10.** Proposal currencies

All prices shall be quoted in **US dollars**.

#### 11. Period of validity of proposals

Proposals shall remain valid for sixty (60) days after the date of Proposal submission prescribed by the procuring UNDP entity, pursuant to the deadline clause.

In exceptional circumstances, the procuring UNDP entity may solicit the Offeror's consent to an extension of the period of validity. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. An Offeror granting the request will not be required nor permitted to modify its Proposal.

#### **12.** Format and signing of proposals

The Offeror shall prepare a single paper copy of the Proposal, clearly marked "Original Proposal", which should be accompanied by a digital copy of the Proposal on a DVD or USB Drive, clearly marked "Copy of Proposal" with any passcodes printed on the label of the disk itself, and identifying the name of the company submitting the Proposal. In the event of any discrepancy between them, the digital copy shall govern.

The hard copy of the Proposal shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by the Offeror or a person or persons duly authorised to bind the Offeror to the contract. The latter authorisation shall be indicated by written power-of-attorney accompanying the Proposal.

A Proposal shall contain no interlineations, erasures, or overwriting except, as necessary to correct errors made by the Offeror, in which case such corrections shall be initialled by the person or persons signing the Proposal.

#### **13.** Payment

UNDP shall effect payments to the Contractor after acceptance by UNDP of the invoices submitted by the contractor for work actually carried out, and upon satisfactory achievement of the corresponding milestones.

## **D. Submission of Proposals**

#### 14. Sealing and marking of proposals

The Offeror shall seal the Proposal in one outer and two inner envelopes, as detailed below.

(a) The outer envelope shall be address to:

Andranaivo Baholy Knowledge Innovation and Capacity Group, Bureau for Development Policy United Nations Development Programme FF-1610, 304 East 45<sup>th</sup> St, New York NY 10017

Two inner envelopes marked as follows

a. "RFP: Drupal Development and Drupal Theme Development Services - Teamworks" (Refer to clause 8 and 12 above)

#### b. Price schedule

(b) Both inner envelopes shall indicate the name and address of the Offeror. The first inner envelope shall contain the information specified in Clause 8 (*Proposal form*) above, with the hard copy and digital copy duly marked "Original" and "Copy". The second inner envelope shall include the price schedule duly identified as such.

Note, if the inner envelopes are not sealed and marked as per the instructions in this clause, the procuring UNDP entity will not assume responsibility for the Proposal's misplacement or premature opening.

#### **15.** Deadline for submission of proposals

Proposals must be received by the procuring UNDP entity at the address specified under clause 14. *Sealing and marking of Proposals* no later than Monday, 2 December 2013 5 pm local time (New York).

The procuring UNDP entity may, at its own discretion extend this deadline for the submission of Proposals by amending the solicitation documents in accordance with clause *Amendments of Solicitation Documents*, in which case all rights and obligations of the procuring UNDP entity and Offerors previously subject to the deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

#### **16.** Late Proposals

Any Proposal received by the procuring UNDP entity after the deadline for submission of proposals, pursuant to clause *Deadline for the submission of proposals*, will be rejected.

#### 17. Modification and withdrawal of Proposals

The Offeror may withdraw its Proposal after the Proposal's submission, provided that written notice of the withdrawal is received by the procuring UNDP entity prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of Proposals.

The Offeror's withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked, and dispatched in accordance with the provisions of clause Deadline for Submission of Proposals. The withdrawal notice may also be sent by telex or fax but followed by a signed confirmation copy.

No Proposal may be modified subsequent to the deadline for submission of proposals.

No Proposal may be withdrawn in the Interval between the deadline for submission of proposals and the expiration of the period of proposal validity specified by the Offeror on the Proposal Submission Form.

## E. Opening and Evaluation of Proposals

#### **18.** Opening of proposals

The procuring entity will open the Proposals in the presence of a Committee formed by the Head of the procuring UNDP entity.

#### **19.** Clarification of proposals

To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Proposals, the Purchaser may at its discretion, ask the Offeror for clarification of its Proposal. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing and no change in price or substance of the Proposal shall be sought, offered or permitted.

#### 20. Preliminary examination

The Purchaser will examine the Proposals to determine whether they are complete, whether any computational errors have been made, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the Proposals are generally in order.

Arithmetical errors will be rectified on the following basis: If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected. If the Offeror does not accept the correction of errors, its Proposal will be rejected. If there is a discrepancy between words and figures the amount in words will prevail.

Prior to the detailed evaluation, the Purchaser will determine the substantial responsiveness of each Proposal to the Request for Proposals (RFP). For purposes of these Clauses, a substantially responsive Proposal is one which conforms to all the terms and conditions of the RFP without material deviations. The Purchaser's determination of a Proposal's responsiveness is based on the contents of the Proposal itself without recourse to extrinsic evidence.

A Proposal determined as not substantially responsive will be rejected by the Purchaser and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Offeror by correction of the non-conformity.

#### **21.** Evaluation and comparison of proposals

A two-stage procedure is utilised in evaluating the proposals, with evaluation of the technical proposal being completed prior to any price proposal being opened and compared. The price proposal of the Proposals will be opened only for submissions that passed the minimum technical score of 70% of the obtainable score of 1000 points in the evaluation of the technical proposals.

The technical proposal is evaluated on the basis of its responsiveness to the Terms of Reference (TOR).

In the Second Stage, the price proposal of all contractors, who have attained minimum 70% score in the technical evaluation will be compared.

UNDP will award a contract to the Offeror offering the best cumulative score giving 70% weight to technical scores and 30% weight to financial scores.

The financial evaluation will assign a score of 1000 to the company offering the lowest price of those proposals that attained at least the 70% of the technical score required. The rest of the offers will receive lower scores proportional with the price differences according to the following formula:

LPO: Lowest price offered

EOi: Economic offer of the Offeror "i"

Score: Score obtained by the Offeror "i", in the financial evaluation.

$$Score_i : \left(1 - \left(\frac{EO_i - LPO}{EO_i}\right)\right) \cdot 1000$$

## Technical Evaluation Criteria

In the event that the evaluation panel is unable to make a determination on some of these criteria, UNDP may request additional information from vendors in the form of a presentation, online discussion or other technical test. The technical criteria are described in the following table:

Technical criteria			Maximum points*	Company A	Company B	Company C
	Expertise of firm/organisation submitting proposal					
	(i) General organisational capability likely to affect implementation	10				
	(ii) Quality assurance process	10				
1	(iii) Quality of delivery of past projects (references)	20	200			
1	(iv) Specialised knowledge		200			
	(v) Relevance of experience on similar projects	80				
	(vi) Previous work for UNDP or international organisations. Please provide a brief description of the system, your role in the system and a link to the system (if not password protected).	60				
	Vendor Approach					
	(i) Alignment of firm's services and capabilities with UNDP's needs	40				
	(ii) Relevance/similarity of previous projects	60	400			
2	(iii) Demonstration of clear strategic business thinking	80				
	(iv) Scope of task is well defined and corresponds clearly to TOR.	100				
	(v) Clarity of proposal (demonstrating strong communication skills)	120				
	Technical team (evaluated individually and as a complete team)					
3	(i) Is each team member named, with their role clearly identified, and is a CV provided for each?	20	400			

(ii) Does the CV for each team member list relevant experience and qualification? (Each CV will be evaluated and scored separately and averaged for this total score)	280				
Drupal Development     Drupal development experience (Drupal 6)     Experience working with Social Netowrking systems     Experience in building or maintaining custom Drupal modules     Expertise in Drupal Organic Groups     Experience in developing RESTful APIs					
Drupal Theme Development     Expertise in UX design     Experience in Drupal based theme development     Expertise in building responsive themes for mobile devices     Experience in AJAX, JS and CSS					
(iii) Does the team as a whole appear strong and capable of meeting all requirements, in terms of:					
<ul><li>a) Specialised knowledge</li><li>b) Recent relevant experience within the same team</li></ul>	50 50				
Total	1000				
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<sup>\*</sup>Scoring for the overall proposal will be as follows:

Note	Supporting evidence presented	Scoring Scale System				
Excellent	Requirements submitted and supported by excellent evidence of ability to support and exceed contract requirements					
Good	Requirements submitted and supported by good evidence of ability to support and exceed contract requirements					
Satisfactory	Requirements submitted and supported by satisfactory evidence of ability to support contract requirements	80%				
Poor	Requirements submitted and supported by marginally acceptable or weak evidence of ability to support contract requirement (Clarification may be required)	70%				
Very poor	Requirements submitted but not supported by evidence to demonstrate ability to comply with contract requirements	60%				
No submission	Information has not been submitted or is unacceptable	0%				

Minimum points to approve the technical evaluation: 70 % of available points. Award will be made to the lowest priced technically acceptable offer. UNDP reserves the right to award contracts to more than one bidder.

#### 22. Award criteria for the LTA

The procuring UNDP entity reserves the right to accept or reject any Proposal, and to annul the solicitation process and reject all Proposals at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Offeror or any obligation to inform the affected Offeror or Offerors of the grounds for the Purchaser's action

Prior to expiration of the period of proposal validity, the procuring UNDP entity will award the contract to the qualified Offeror whose Proposal after being evaluated is considered to be the most responsive to the needs of the organisation and activity concerned.

The attention of Offerors is drawn to the fact that the proposal submitted by the successful Offeror may be incorporated in its entirety in the LTA with UNDP as part of the statement of work.

#### 23. Purchaser's right to vary requirements at time of award

The Purchaser reserves the right at the time of award of contract to vary the quantity of services and goods specified in the RFP without any change in price or other terms and conditions. This should be in consultation with UNDP.

#### **24.** Signing of the LTA

Within 30 days of receipt of the contract the successful Offeror shall sign and date the LTA and return it to the Purchaser. No modifications whatsoever can be made to UNDP's General Terms of Contract for Service (Annex II), which must be accepted in full.

#### **25.** Long Term Agreement (LTA).

A long-term agreement is a mutual arrangement between UNDP and a contractor to provide the required services at prescribed prices or pricing provisions over a period of 24 months, with possibility of extension for an additional 12 months. UNDP reserves the right to rescind the agreement during that period due to unsatisfactory performance of the company. Under an LTA, UNDP does not warrant that any quantity of services will be purchased during the term of this Agreement. Where a request for services arises, UNDP will directly contract the company under LTA based on its need to carry out those activities. A specific Term of Reference outlining the outputs for each assignment will be provided. For each request/assignment an Institutional Contract would also be issued to the contractor.

A model LTA, and General Conditions are attached herewith for reference as Annexes II, and VI respectively.

#### **26.** Vendor protest

Our vendor protest procedure is intended to afford an opportunity to appeal to persons or firms not awarded a purchase order or contract in a competitive procurement process. It is not available to non-responsive or non-timely proposers/bidders or when all proposals/bids are rejected. 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: <a href="http://www.undp.org/procurement/protest.shtml">http://www.undp.org/procurement/protest.shtml</a>.



## 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.
- 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.

### **Terms of Reference**

## Reference: RFP-2013-Teamworks Drupal Development Support

#### I. BACKGROUND

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is the global development network of the United Nations, advocating for change and connecting countries to knowledge, experience and resources to help people build a better life.

Knowledge Management is a key strategic enabler and a UNDP mission-critical function that adds value to the day-to-day business of UNDP and serves as a cohesive component of the UN-wide knowledge structure in the context of UN reform. UNDP continues to build upon its achievements and lessons learned about how to mobilise and utilise the rich elements dispersed within the organization to enrich its knowledge base. The result is a UNDP that is able to draw on its full potential as a knowledge-based organization where individuals and their knowledge are fully connected and mobilised to collaborate globally for more effective delivery of development results. This approach will also be integral to current "Delivering as One" UN reform efforts.

The Knowledge Innovation and Capacity Group, Bureau for Development Policy, UNDP provides Knowledge Management Services for the entire organization. As part of its strategy, the group has established an online platform "Teamworks" built in Drupal 6, featuring blogs, multimedia, social networking, community, gallery and other features, with substantial customisation. Teamworks is a social networking application developed to share knowledge assets, create several types of collaborative "spaces," and establish communities of practices linking together thousands of staff members, experts, consultants, external partners and clients around the world. The platform currently has around 80,000 users from within UNDP and approved partners, made available through a number of separate secure and public domains. The original specifications for the development of Teamworks can be found here: <a href="http://procurement-notices.undp.org/view\_notice.cfm?notice\_id=4050">http://procurement-notices.undp.org/view\_notice.cfm?notice\_id=4050</a>. Please note that these are illustrative of the solution and do not represent the exact platform as it exists today.

## Requirement

The group is now seeking to establish an LTA of dedicated Drupal development teams with experience working with UNDP or a similar global organization, and deep familiarity with Drupal, Web Services, knowledge management and social networking that can provide a range of software development services and implementation support. The term of this engagement will be initially for a 24 month period.

This requirement is for Drupal Development and Drupal Theme Development as described below and does not include actual high level architecture design, business analysis and quality assurance management which is excluded from scope.

#### II. Summary of key service functions (Service Areas):

The following functions must be provided as a part of this engagement:

- 1. Drupal Development
- 2. Drupal Theme Development

### **III.** Terms of Reference

## Scope of Work

Each area will require virtual collaboration of key personnel with UNDP staff members on daily basis preferably during New York working hours. Resources to handle production incidents should be made available at all times. A minimum of one hour turn around time is required for all production incidents. The goals for each category of work are summarized in this section. Project Management, Quality Assurance Management and Acceptance Testing will

be done by UNDP. Hence, not included in scope. Selected vendor(s) are responsible for internal coordination of developers within their organization.

#### 1. Drupal Development

- 1.1. Advising and assisting UNDP on best practices in Drupal architecture and development
- 1.2. Providing guidance and development capacity for moving Teamworks to a latest version of Drupal
- 1.3. Maintaining and enhancing Sphinx/Drupal and SOLR/Drupal integrations
- 1.4. Optimizing the overall performance of the implementation by identifying and tuning slow queries, caching content and fixing areas of concern in the code
- 1.5. Making changes to the multi-site functionality to facilitate extending multi-site requirements
- 1.6. Modifying views to accommodate new Drupal themes, including mobile specific interfaces
- 1.7. Supporting migrations of users and content from other platforms to the Teamworks platform
- 1.8. Providing recommendations for future enhancements and implementing agreed recommendations, in order to achieve a product that will have a positive and significant impact
- 1.9. Creating an API for integration with other systems within the UNDP and partner agencies for content publishing, single sign-on and bi-directional views
- 1.10. Provide clear, complete Web Services API documentation of existing Teamworks Services Layer and updating as needed
- 1.11. Providing recommendations for future enhancements and implementing agreed recommendations, in order to achieve a product that will have a positive and significant impact
- 1.12. Draft and execute test scripts based upon previously defined requirements
- 1.13. Analyze test plan results to ensure that the finished product meets software functional requirements and needs
- 1.14. Assist in development of documentation including: functional specifications, functional and non-functional test plans and test results analysis.
- 1.15. Work closely with system users and sponsors to identify and test requirements during user acceptance test phase, new feature releases and bug fix releases.

#### 2. Drupal Theme Development

- 2.1. Assist in development of documentation including: functional specifications, functional and non-functional test plans and test results analysis
- 2.2. Work closely with system users and sponsors to identify and test requirements during user acceptance test phase, new feature releases and bug fix releases
- 2.3. Collect and apply user research and usability principles to identify and then propose corrections to Teamworks usability issues
- 2.4. Investigate and resolve reported user experience issues
- 2.5. Develop wireframes, mock-ups, detailed visual designs, and graphics for web-based and mobile-based interfaces
- 2.6. Develop conceptual designs for key projects
- 2.7. Develop responsive mobile friendly Drupal themes for new features developed and new domains/sites implemented in Drupal
- 2.8. Ensure consistency between the various platforms and browsers
- 2.9. Work closely with the stakeholders and development team to achieve the desired look and feel of the user interface
- 2.10. Explore new technologies, design best practices, and overall web standards to create unique solutions and solve problems

#### **Annex IV**

## PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Dear Sir / Madam,

Having examined the Solicitation Documents, the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned, offer to provide Professional services for Drupal Development and Drupal Theme Development Services to UNDP for the sum as may be ascertained in accordance with the Price Schedule attached herewith and made part of this Proposal.

We undertake, if our Proposal is accepted, to commence and complete delivery of all services and terms specified in the LTA and the Institutional Contract within the time frame stipulated.

We agree to abide by this Proposal for a period of 60 days from the date fixed for opening of Proposals in the Invitation for Proposal, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period.

We understand that you are not bound to accept any Proposal you may receive.

Dated this day /month of year

#### IV. Signature

(In the capacity of)

Duly authorised to sign Proposal for and on behalf of

## PRICE SCHEDULE

The Contractor is asked to prepare the Price Schedule as a separate envelope from the rest of the RFP response as indicated in Section D paragraph 14 (b) of the Instruction to Offerors.

All prices/rates quoted must be exclusive of all taxes, since the UNDP is exempt from taxes as detailed in Section II, Clause 18.

The Price Schedule must provide a detailed cost breakdown. Provide separate figures for each functional grouping or category (Drupal Development and Drupal Theme Development Services).

The format shown on the following pages should be used in preparing the price schedule. The format includes specific expenditures, which may or may not be required or applicable but are indicated to serve as examples.

In addition to the hard copy, please also provide the Price Proposals on DVD or USB Drive.

Team member	Summary of duties	Daily Rate
(Use a new line for each team	(E.g. Senior Drupal developer responsible for leading	(US \$)
member – attach CV's)	development team)	
Drupal Development Services		
Name of team member(s)		
Drupal Theme Development		
Services		
Name of team member(s)		
TOTAL MONTHLY COST		

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#### Annex V1

## MODEL SAMPLE - LONG TERM AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

This Long	Term Agreemer	t is made	between t	he Uı	nited Nati	ons De	evelopme	ent Progra	.mme, a sub	sidiary o	organ of
the United	Nations, having	g its head	lquarters a	t 1 U	N Plaza,	New	York, N	Y 10017	(hereinafte	r "UND	P") and
	(hereinafte	r called "(	Contractor'	') witl	its head	quarter	s at		<u></u> .		

WHEREAS, UNDP desires to enter into a Long Term Agreement for the provision of services by the Contractor to UNDP, pursuant to which UNDP country offices world-wide can conclude specific contractual arrangements with the Contractor, as provided herein;

WHEREAS pursuant to the Request for Proposal ......[to complete] the offer of the Contractor was accepted;

NOW, THEREFORE, UNDP and the Contractor (hereinafter jointly the "Parties) hereby agree as follows:

#### Article 1: SCOPE OF WORK

- 1. The Contractor shall provide the types of services and deliverables, which are listed in Annex 1 hereto ("Services/Terms of Reference"), as and when negotiated by UNDP headquarters or a UNDP country office and reflected in a contract for professional services, in the form attached hereto as Annex 2.
- 2. Such Services shall be at the discount prices listed in Annex 3. The prices shall remain in effect for a period of two years from Entry into Force of this Agreement.
- 3. UNDP does not warrant that any quantity of Services will be purchased during the term of this Agreement, which shall be for two years.

#### **Article 2: CHANGES IN CONDITION**

4. In the event of any advantageous technical changes and/or downward pricing of the Services during the duration of this Agreement, the Contractor shall notify UNDP immediately. UNDP shall consider the impact of any such event and may request an amendment to the Agreement.

#### **Article 3: CONTRACTOR'S REPORTING**

5. The Contractor will report semi-annually to UNDP on the Services provided to UNDP, including its country offices.

#### **Article 4: GENERAL AND SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

6. The standard UNDP General Conditions for Professional Services, attached as Annex 4, shall apply to this Agreement, and any subsequent contracts concluded in accordance with paragraph 1 above.

#### Article 5: ACCEPTANCE

- 7. This Agreement supersedes all prior oral or written agreements, if any, between the Parties and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the provision of the Services hereunder.
- 8. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the last signature by the representatives of the Parties and shall remain in force for a period of two years, and may be extended for [one additional] year by mutual agreement of the Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized representative of the PARTIES have signed this agreement.

For and on behalf of:	
	UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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#### V. General Terms and Conditions for Goods

#### 1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PURCHASE ORDER

This Purchase Order may only be accepted by the Supplier's signing and returning an acknowledgement copy of it or by timely delivery of the goods in accordance with the terms of this Purchase Order, as herein specified. Acceptance of this Purchase Order shall effect a contract between the Parties under which the rights and obligations of the Parties shall be governed solely by the terms and conditions of this Purchase Order, including these General Conditions. No additional or inconsistent provisions proposed by the Supplier shall bind UNDP unless agreed to in writing by a duly authorized official of UNDP.

#### 2. PAYMENT

- 2.1.1 UNDP shall, on fulfillment of the Delivery Terms, unless otherwise provided in this Purchase Order, make payment within 30 days of receipt of the Supplier's invoice for the goods and copies of the shipping documents specified in this Purchase Order.
- 2.1.2 Payment against the invoice referred to above will reflect any discount shown under the payment terms of this Purchase Order, provided payment is made within the period required by such payment terms.
- 2.1.3 Unless authorized by UNDP, the Supplier shall submit one invoice in respect of this Purchase Order, and such invoice must indicate the Purchase Order's identification number.
- 2.1.4 The prices shown in this Purchase Order may not be increased except by express written agreement of UNDP.

#### 3. TAX EXEMPTION

- 3.1 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 utilities 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 UNDP's exemption from such taxes, duties or charges, the Supplier shall immediately consult with UNDP to determine a mutually acceptable procedure.
- 3.2 Accordingly, the Supplier authorizes UNDP to deduct from the Supplier's invoice any amount representing such taxes, duties or charges, unless the Supplier has consulted with UNDP before the payment thereof and UNDP has, in each instance, specifically authorized the Supplier to pay such taxes, duties or charges under protest. In that event, the Supplier shall provide UNDP with written evidence that payment of such taxes, duties or charges has been made and appropriately authorized.

#### 4. RISK OF LOSS

Risk of loss, damage to or destruction of the goods shall be governed in accordance with DDU Incoterms 2000, unless otherwise agreed upon by the Parties on the front side of this Purchase Order.

#### 5. EXPORT LICENCES

Notwithstanding any INCOTERM 2000 used in this Purchase Order, the Supplier shall obtain any export licences required for the goods.

#### 6. FITNESS OF GOODS/PACKAGING

The Supplier warrants that the goods, including packaging, conform to the specifications for the goods ordered under this Purchase Order and are fit for the purposes for which such goods are ordinarily used and for purposes expressly made known to the Supplier by UNDP, and are free from defects in workmanship and materials. The Supplier also warrants that the goods are contained or packaged adequately to protect the goods.

#### 7. INSPECTION

- 1. UNDP shall have a reasonable time after delivery of the goods to inspect them and to reject and refuse acceptance of goods not conforming to this Purchase Order; payment for goods pursuant to this Purchase Order shall not be deemed an acceptance of the goods.
  - 2. Inspection prior to shipment does not relieve the Supplier from any of its contractual obligations.

#### 8. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT

The Supplier warrants that the use or supply by UNDP of the goods sold under this Purchase Order does not infringe any patent, design, trade-name or trade-mark. In addition, the Supplier shall, pursuant to this warranty, indemnify, defend and hold UNDP and the United Nations harmless from any actions or claims brought against UNDP or the United Nations pertaining to the alleged infringement of a patent, design, trade-name or trade-mark arising in connection with the goods sold under this Purchase Order.

#### 9. RIGHTS OF UNDP

In case of failure by the Supplier to fulfil its obligations under the terms and conditions of this Purchase Order, including but not limited to failure to obtain necessary export licences, or to make delivery of all or part of the goods by the agreed delivery date or dates, UNDP may, after giving the Supplier reasonable notice to perform and without prejudice to any other rights or remedies, exercise one or more of the following rights:

- a) Procure all or part of the goods from other sources, in which event UNDP may hold the Supplier responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- b) Refuse to accept delivery of all or part of the goods.
- c) Cancel this Purchase Order without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

#### 10. LATE DELIVERY

Without limiting any other rights or obligations of the parties hereunder, if the Supplier will be unable to deliver the goods by the delivery date(s) stipulated in this Purchase Order, the Supplier shall (i) immediately consult with UNDP to determine the most expeditious means for delivering the goods and (ii) use an expedited means of delivery, at the Supplier's cost (unless the delay is due to <u>Force Majeure</u>), if reasonably so requested by UNDP.

#### 11. ASSIGNMENT AND INSOLVENCY

- 11.1.The Supplier shall not, except after obtaining the written consent of UNDP, assign, transfer, pledge or make other disposition of this Purchase Order, or any part thereof, or any of the Supplier's rights or obligations under this Purchase Order.
- 11.2. Should the Supplier become insolvent or should control of the Supplier change by virtue of insolvency, UNDP may, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies, immediately terminate this Purchase Order by giving the Supplier written notice of termination.

#### 12. USE OF UNDP OR UNITED NATIONS NAME OR EMBLEM

The Supplier shall not use the name, emblem or official seal of UNDP or the United Nations for any purpose.

#### 13. PROHIBITION ON ADVERTISING

The Supplier shall not advertise or otherwise make public that it is furnishing goods or services to UNDP without specific permission of UNDP in each instance.

#### 14. CHILD LABOUR

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates 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 Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

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The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates 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.

Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

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#### 16.1 Amicable Settlement

The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of, or relating to this Purchase Order 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

Unless, any such dispute, controversy or claim between the Parties arising out of or relating to this Purchase Order or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof is settled amicably under the preceding paragraph of this

Section within sixty (60) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's request for such amicable settlement, such dispute, controversy or claim shall be referred by either Party to arbitration in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules then obtaining, including its provisions on applicable law. The arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award punitive damages. The Parties shall be bound by any arbitration award rendered as a result of such arbitration as the final adjudication of any such controversy, claim or dispute.

#### 17. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Nothing in or related to these General Terms and Conditions or this Purchase Order shall be deemed a waiver of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs.

#### 18. SEXUAL EXPLOITATION:

18.1 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.

18.2 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.

#### 19.0 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.

#### **20. AUTHORITY TO MODIFY:**

Pursuant to the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP, only the UNDP Authorized Official possess 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.