

INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE



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Date: 15 August 2014

Country: Barbados and the OECS

Description of the assignments: PPG Clean Energy Economics and Finance Expert

Project name: Low Carbon Development Path: Promoting energy efficient lighting and solar photovoltaic technologies in streets, outdoor areas and public buildings in island communities nationwide

Period of assignment/services (if applicable): 40-50 days (consultancy work) over 6-8 months (consultancy period) subject to budget availability

Proposal should be submitted by email to procurement.bb@undp.org no later than **1 September 2014 at 4:00pm Eastern Caribbean Time (GMT-4)**.

Any request for clarification must be sent by standard electronic communication to the email address indicated above by 27 August 2014. The UNDP Barbados and the OECS Procurement Unit will respond by posting written copies of the responses to the notice on the UNDP Procurement website (RFP 140901-03) including an explanation of the query without identifying the source of inquiry.

1. BACKGROUND

The purpose of the Project Preparation Grant (PPG) is to develop a medium-sized project (MSP) proposal based on the Project Information Form (PIF) that will engage stakeholders and will support specific studies and analyses which will result in the full preparation of the project "Low Carbon Development Path: Promoting energy efficient lighting and solar photovoltaic technologies in streets, outdoor areas and public buildings in island communities nationwide". This preparatory phase aims at finalising the studies and arrangements for the submission of this MSP to the GEF.

2. SCOPE OF WORK, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ANALYTICAL WORK

The expert will be responsible to review the existing financial schemes for clean energy financing at the Government and other financing mechanisms in Dominica, and design appropriate financial and institutional methods and mechanisms to support the implementation of public Energy Efficiency products and solar PV programs. Additionally, the expert will propose economic and fiscal alternatives to facilitate the execution of EE products and solar PV technology public sector programs in communities nationwide.

3. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

I. Academic qualifications:

- Master degree finance, public administration, business management or any other relevant field.
- Strong awareness of international best practices related to EE/RE policies and regulations.

II. Years of relevant experience:

- Experience on Renewable Energy/Energy Efficiency financing and operations at the government and/or banking sector.
- Demonstrated track record of delivering high quality reports on time.
- Experience working in a national, government managed programme would be an advantage.

III. Competencies:

- Good understanding of the region's norms, practices and cultural sensitivities
- Clear understanding of the requirements of GEF project preparation and the contents of acceptable climate change mitigation project documents.
- Experience engaging with stakeholders at multiple levels (grassroots/community, national, regional)
- Demonstrate excellent inter-personal, communication, problem-solving and negotiating skills

- Excellent command of written and oral English

4. DOCUMENTS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN SUBMITTING THE PROPOSALS.

Interested individual consultants must submit the following documents/information to demonstrate their qualifications:

- Cover letter of no more than 3 pages, including a description of main achievements and how the candidate meets/exceeds the profile requirements
- Completed letter as per Annex II
- A current and complete CV or UNDP P11 form (preferred) in English, with e-mail and phone contact
- A proposed methodology for conducting the evaluation of no more than 3 pages
- Contact details of 3 referees
- A price proposal quoted in United States dollars, as per Annex III

5. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

The financial proposal shall specify a total lump sum amount, and payment terms around specific and measurable (qualitative and quantitative) deliverables. Payments are based upon output, i.e. upon delivery of the services specified in the TOR. In order to assist the requesting unit in the comparison of financial proposals, the financial proposal will include a breakdown of this lump sum amount (including travel, per diem, and number of anticipated working days).

Travel

All envisaged travel costs must be included in the financial proposal. This includes all travel to join duty station/repatriation travel. In general, UNDP should not accept travel costs exceeding those of an economy class ticket. Should the IC wish to travel on a higher class he/she should do so using their own resources.

Consultants should be based in-country for the duration of the consultancy.

In the case of unforeseeable travel, payment of travel costs including tickets, lodging and terminal expenses should be agreed upon, between UNDP and Individual Consultant, prior to travel and will be reimbursed.

6. EVALUATION

Applicants will be evaluated based on cumulative analysis of the offers being determined as:

- Responsive/compliant/acceptable, and
- Having received the highest score out of a pre-determined set of weighted technical and financial criteria specific to the solicitation.

Criteria	Weight	Max. Points
Technical	70%	70
• Academic qualifications	20%	20
• Years of relevant experience	30%	30
• Competencies	20%	20
Financial	30%	30

Only candidates obtaining a minimum of 49 of 70 points (70%) in the technical evaluation will be considered for the financial evaluation.

ANNEXES

ANNEX I: TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

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ANNEX I

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Job title	PPG Clean Energy Economics and Finance Expert
Contract type	Individual Contract (IC)
Duty Station	Barbados and the OECS
Duration of initial contract	6-8 months (consultancy period) subject to budget availability
Duration of assignment	40-50 days (consultancy work) subject to budget availability
Contracting Authority	United Nations Development Programme
Beneficiary country	Dominica

The present Terms of Reference are related to the contracting of a Consultant to support the preparation of final Project Documents for the “Low Carbon Development Path: Promoting energy efficient lighting and solar photovoltaic technologies in streets, outdoor areas and public buildings in island communities nationwide” project under the Global Environment Facility’s System for Transparent Allocation of Resources 5 (GEF STAR-5) for Dominica, as outlined in the Initiation Plan (IP). The Consultant will work in close collaboration with UNDP’s Energy, Environment and Climate Change Programme Manager and the relevant government Ministries and departments.

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The PPG will also enable the stakeholders’ consultations and data collection for the establishment of baseline and complementary activities that will be validated by involved stakeholders. The path of the PPG process has been outlined in the Initiation Plan (IP), which was developed on the basis of the PIF, approved by the GEF Secretariat on 12 June 2014.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

2.1. Specific objectives

Through at least one mission subject to budget availability to Dominica, the Consultant will be responsible to review the existing financial schemes for clean energy financing at the Government and other financing mechanisms in Dominica, and design appropriate financial and institutional methods and mechanisms to support the implementation of public Energy Efficiency products and solar PV programs. Additionally, the expert will propose economic and fiscal alternatives to facilitate the execution of EE products and solar PV technology public sector programs in communities nationwide. Please refer to Annexes I-A and I-B.

2.2. Nature of services

Tasks will be carried out in close collaboration with Ministry of Public Works, Energy & Ports along with other relevant stakeholders. Other key stakeholders to be consulted include the Environmental Coordinating Unit of Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Physical Planning and Fisheries, which has oversight for energy policy implementation; and DOMLEC, the electric utility company. Through these activities, the consultant will be pivotal in the mobilisation of co-financing for the project and in raising awareness among key stakeholders on the project, its objectives and strategy.

An inception workshop in Dominica will constitute the introductory mission of the PPG team at the start of the contract, allowing initiation of dialogues with national stakeholders and field visits.

A Clean Energy Economics and Finance Expert, the Consultant will ensure that:

- Review of existing financial mechanisms in Dominica, as well as the latest international literature and experience on clean energy financing for EE and PV programs, as well as EE appliance/equipment loan programs.
- Design an appropriate financing /fiscal scheme, including the definition of loan and tax exemption terms and eligibility criteria to be submitted to Dominica policy makers.
- Training of government staff on the preparations for the setting up, and in the actual establishment of the fiscal/financing scheme.
- Conduct promotional campaigns to build capacities about the benefits of energy efficient appliances and the availability, conditions and advantage of the fiscal/financing scheme.
- Preparation of a sustainable follow up plan with specific activities, and proposed financing.

2.3. Outputs expected

- Based on the assessment of the current clean energy fiscal/financing policy, the design of the fiscal/financing schemes, the consultant will:
- Develop financing guidelines and tax exemption criteria and relevant templates for applicants
- Conduct training and awareness raising workshops of the benefits of EE financing.
- Propose EE financing schemes.
- Design a sustainable follow up plan for scaling and developing similar financing schemes for other sectors basing on the experience and lessons learned of the exercise.

3. EXPERT PROFILE

The Consultant must fulfil the following minimum criteria:

- Master degree finance, public administration, business management or any other relevant field.
- Strong awareness of international best practices related to EE/RE policies and regulations.
- Experience on Renewable Energy/Energy Efficiency financing and operations at the government and/or banking sector.
- Demonstrated track record of delivering high quality reports on time
- Experience working in a national, government managed programme would be an advantage

4. LOCATION AND DURATION

The consultant will be home based with at least one mission to Dominica.

The assignment is expected to be a total of 40-50 working days over an approximately 6-8 months period.

5. REMUNERATION

5.1. Payment

Payment will be remitted subject to the approval of final deliverables and based on the Consultant's price proposal. Expected time allocated to tasks and deadlines are as follows:

Deliverable	Working days	Submission date
Financing Guidelines Templates and Tax Exemption Criteria	14.5	31 Nov 2014
Conduct EE Financing Training and Awareness Workshops	3	30 Jan 2014
Propose EE Financing Schemes	14.5	15 Feb 2015
Develop recommendations and lessons learned for sustainable financing schemes for other sectors	3	20 Feb 2015

5.2. Provision for travel and daily allowances

The Consultant's price proposal will include all expected costs of the assignment, including travel and allowances, as shown in Annex III. It is anticipated that there will be a 1-week inception mission during which most data collection and initial stakeholder discussions will occur. The necessity for additional missions will be determined by discussion between UNDP and the consultant team.

6. INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

Applications must include:

- Cover letter of no more than 3 pages, including a description of main achievements and how the candidate meets/exceeds all the profile requirements
- Completed letter as per the template in Annex II
- A detailed curriculum vitae or completed P11 form (preferred)
- Contact details of three referees, including at least one reference letter
- A price proposal quoted in United States dollars (US\$) as per the template in Annex III

Candidates must fulfil the profile minimum requirements and comply with the application instructions to be evaluated. Interviews will be conducted, if necessary, by UNDP with short-listed candidates.

ANNEX I-A EXTRACT OF INITIATION PLAN

Project Title: Low Carbon Development Path: Promoting energy efficient lighting and solar photovoltaic technologies in streets, outdoor areas and public buildings in island communities nationwide

Country: Dominica

Initiation Plan Start Date: 11 August, 2014

Initiation Plan End Date: 11 June, 2015

Brief Description of Initiation Plan:

During the Initiation Plan period, a number of baseline studies and stakeholder consultations will be undertaken. The purpose of the PPG is to support the development of the “Low Carbon Development Path: Promoting energy efficient lighting and solar photovoltaic technologies in streets, outdoor areas and public buildings in island communities nationwide” MSP (Medium-sized Project). The IP consists of the project preparatory activities such as: (1) Conduct of baseline studies and surveys to come up with the pertinent data and information that are required to verify and confirm the earlier identified baseline projects; (2) Conduct of a logical framework analysis (LFA) mainly to verify and firm up the project planning matrix (PPM) or results framework (log frame); (3) Identification and assessment of demonstration schemes including calculation of GHGs emission reductions; (4) Detailed design of the project components and activities; (5) Conduct of stakeholder and project partner coordination meetings (e.g., demonstration hosts and co-financers), and establishment of the appropriate project implementation and management arrangements; (6) Preparation of the UNDP-GEF Project Document (ProDoc) and GEF CEO Endorsement Request (CER) Document based on the GEF-approved project concept, i.e., GEF-approved PIF (Annex 1); and, (7) Finalization of the ProDoc and CER Document. The final output of the initiation plan will be a [UNDP-GEF project document](#) and [GEF CEO endorsement template](#) with all required supporting documentation, including but not limited to Co-financing Commitment letters, an Environmental and Social Screening and the relevant GEF Tracking Tools for the above mentioned project ready for submission to UNDP and the GEF within the agreed upon timeframe.

Project preparation activities:

The final outputs of a UNDP-GEF project document and GEF CEO Endorsement template will be achieved through implementation of five component activities in this Project Preparation phase, namely:

- I. Component A: Technical review
- II. Component B: Institutional arrangements, monitoring and evaluation
- III. Component C: Financial planning and co-financing investments:
- IV. Component D: Validation workshop
- V. Component E: Completion of final documentation

Component A: Technical review

- i. Baseline studies: The following technical studies shall be conducted with the focus on the promotion of energy efficient lighting and solar photovoltaic technologies in streets, outdoor areas and public buildings in Dominica.
- To validate and expand the barrier descriptions outlined in the PIF. This should include research and narrate the impact of:
 - *Lack of policies promoting EE (e.g. lighting, appliances, in buildings) and off-grid renewable energy (e.g. solar) generation*
 - a. Dominica’s climate change mitigation policies and physical planning regulations are not sufficiently developed to promote energy efficiency in the construction of new buildings (e.g. public/social, hotels) and other urban infrastructure (e.g. lights, roads) and appliances (e.g. air conditioning)
 - b. Portsmouth “green city” master plan lacks the consideration of energy conservation standards necessary for low emission (energy usage) infrastructure development (e.g. municipality and public sector buildings, tourism investments, community shelters, street lights, waste facilities, social and cultural amenities) and appliances (e.g. air conditioning)
 - c. DOMLEC as private firm has little incentive to increase renewable energy generation from hydropower or alternative sources (e.g. wind power, solar energy), other than geothermal for regional exportation purposes, due to the limited economies of scale of producing electricity for a 70,000-populated country

- d. No clarity on most appropriate procurement and licensing processes for off-grid electricity generation and energy efficient lighting/appliances in Dominica to address inclusive growth needs (local value chain), environmental benefits (GHG emissions) and social concerns (health, education, disaster risk reduction)
 - e. No restrictions on the quality, wattage and other features (e.g. life-cycle costs) of street, indoor and outdoor lighting products, EE appliances and solar photovoltaic equipment.
- *Limited awareness of the benefits of EE lighting / appliances & RE technologies*
 - a. Obsolete knowledge and information on local renewable energy endowments (e.g. solar resource assessments) in Dominica
 - b. Lack of technical expertise in national government institutions tasked to oversee sustainable energy procurement processes (e.g. quality standards, bulk EE lighting/appliances & solar PV procurement criteria)
 - c. Lack of capacity for the local market to absorb and benefit from EE and RE developments (local firms versus foreign investors, no inclusion of energy in secondary, vocational or technical training)
 - d. Government agencies responsible for the procurement of public lighting and other electrical appliances lack expertise on technical design, implementation, and financial performance of EE products/solar PV technology
 - *No investments in low GHG emission infrastructure*
 - a. Despite high electricity costs (nearly US\$0.50/kWh), the upfront cost of solar PV & EE in buildings/lighting/appliances deters investment in the capital Roseau and several island communities
 - b. Lack of fiscal, economic or other financial incentives to promote low carbon development investments
 - c. Market size traditionally led to monopolistic context with no incentive for generation, transmission, distribution efficiency (e.g. no feed-in-tariff to assess potential of feeding excess energy back into the grid)
 - d. Higher-quality EE & solar PV products are too expensive, so most cities, towns and communities buy conventional incandescent lamps, inefficient air conditioning, and cheaper/lower quality solar PV panel types.
- To fully justify and detail specific outputs proposed in the PIF: This includes all outputs stated under:
 - Component 1: EE products & Solar PV technology support and general public outreach nationwide (e.g. 15-20 awareness raising and knowledge dissemination events targeting approx. 30,000-40,000 people in communities throughout Dominica, including vulnerable groups) activities to confirm during the PPG phase; EE products & Solar PV technical training and capacity building for government and technicians (e.g. 30-40 training workshops targeting up to 200 primary/high school teachers, 400-500 science students, 30-50 architects/designers and 150-200 civil servants approx.) to be confirmed in PPG phase); EE products & Solar PV technology 5 pilot demonstrations in Dubic, Boetica, Roseau, Portsmouth, others) tbc during the PPG phase
 - Component 2: Review and adoption of mandatory minimum energy performance standards for indoor and outdoor EE products and Solar PV technologies in Dominica (e.g. new quality standards & labels testing and setting of energy certification and audit systems for the introduction of EE products/solar PV products; building codes; self-generation licensing, rules for electrical installations; mandatory energy audit provisions) tbc at PPG; Enforcement of new rules and procedures on public sector procurement of EE products and Solar PV technologies in Dominica (e.g. rules on minimum quantity, quality and product type required to qualify for bulk procurement and related import provisions for EE / solar PV products) tbc at PPG;
 - Component 3: Public sector EE products & solar PV technology programs prepared for towns and island communities nationwide (e.g. initial demos will take place in 3-5 communities including Dubic, Boetica, Roseau each with a program developed for their implementation, based on which a scaled up intervention with additional co-finance is targeted ranging 10-20–tbc at PPG phase); Financial and institutional methods and mechanisms defined to support the implementation of public EE products & solar PV programs (inc. bulk procurement energy performance and savings contracts, mandatory energy audit, amongst other tbc at PPG phase); Economic and fiscal instruments (e.g. tax exemptions, grants or rebates on the purchase of EE products/solar PV equipment) support and facilitate the execution of EE products and Solar PV technology public sector programs in approximately 70-80 communities nationwide (total 0.6-1 MW during project–approx. 37GWh of savings, 33 ktCO₂ of direct / 349 ktCO₂ indirect avoided) incl. public buildings, community areas and streets (75-100km) with indicative cofinancing tbc during the PPG
 - ii. Studies to address any opportunities/risks identified during an environmental and social screening of the project proposal:

The gender assessment will be aligned with the UNDP's Gender Equality Strategy (2008-2013). In this regard, UNDP is committed to ensure that gender equality is fully integrated into its entire programme from the design to implementation and reports annually on its performance across the portfolio

iii. Identification of specific sites for intervention

- iv. Integration with development plans, policies, budgets and complementary projects: The project will contribute to the achievement of Barbados UNDAF's Outcome #1 "Improved governance and regulation of environmental and energy issues for more resilient economies by 2016" through the support to the development and implementation of national policies and strategies on energy, climate change and disaster risk reduction, including consultation.
- v. Completion of GEF focal area tracking tool: A complete GEF climate change mitigation tracking tool will be delivered as part of the technical review component.
- vi. Stakeholder consultations during technical review: Mobilize and engage stakeholders during project design. Negotiate partnerships with on-going projects to align their activities and the project to build synergies. Document these consultations.

Component B: Institutional arrangements, monitoring and evaluation

The outputs of Component A will be used as technical input to Component B for the formulation of the UNDP-GEF project document.

- vii. Finalization of project results framework: Further define the results framework with appropriate objective-level and outcome-level quantitative and qualitative SMART**Error! Bookmark not defined.** indicators, and end-of-project targets. Special attention will be made to include socio-economic and sex disaggregated indicators.
- viii. Definition of monitoring and evaluation (M&E): A detailed M&E work plan will be developed, including clear identification of responsibilities and accountabilities, as well as an appropriate M&E budget. The plan will be based on the standard template provided in the UNDP-GEF project document template that reflects the mandatory requirements of the GEF M&E Policy.
- ix. Define sustainability plan: The sustainability plan will outline the principles and guidelines for ensuring the long-term sustainability of project achievements. It will also outline an exit strategy, seeking the continuation of key activities/achievements without the need of long-term international financing.
- x. Definition of management arrangements: The organisational structure governing the project will be decided. This will include identification of the project board.
- xi. Stakeholder consultations during Component B: Involve key agencies in the development of the project strategy to ensure a strong national ownership. In close collaboration with key government representatives and other stakeholders ensure full participation in the development of the project results framework and ensure agreement on the project objectives and outcomes. Undertake consultations to secure agreement(s) on project implementation arrangements; including roles, responsibilities, and accountabilities of lead and partner agencies. Document these consultations.

Component C: Financial planning and co-financing investments:

- xii. Prepare a detailed multi-year budget following the standard template provided in the UNDP-GEF project document template that reflects the mandatory requirements of the GEF M&E Policy.
- xiii. Explore multilateral and bilateral co-financing opportunities: Undertake series of consultations with partners to ensure a coherent and sustainable financing package for the project including post- GEF grant phase.
- xiv. Ensure completion of required official endorsement letters: An official endorsement letter will be prepared by the GEF Operational Focal Point of the Government. A co-financing guarantee will be collected from participating government institutions, bilateral development partners, multilateral development partners and NGOs who wish to provide cash or in kind contributions to the project.

- xv. Stakeholder consultations during Component C: Environmental Conventions Unit (ECU), which will provide strategic oversight in collaboration with a range of institutions to ensure the project achieves its objectives. Institutions such as Ministries of Environment, Finance and Energy will play a crucial role in the development, management and financing of the economic and financial incentives for EE products. The amount financing required for these instruments cannot be determined at this point, as it will also depend on the amount of co-funding realized during project implementation from other multilateral donors.

Component D: Validation workshop

A validation workshop will gather representatives from all relevant stakeholders to present, discuss and validate the final draft project document.

Component E: Completion of final documentation

- xvi. Consolidation of all technical and consultation inputs into a clearly written UNDP Prodoc document with all relevant sections and annexes
- xvii. Completion of a CEO endorsement request form
- xviii. Completed CCM tracking tool, Environmental and Social Safeguard Screening following the UNDP procedure and producing the checklist and summary report.
- xix. Translation of UNDP Prodoc document into host country language and any further documentation required for preparing implementation

ANNEX I-B

SUMMARY OF CONSULTANTS FINANCED BY THE INITIATION PLAN

Tasks will be carried out in close collaboration with the Environmental Coordinating Unit of Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Physical Planning and Fisheries, which has oversight for energy policy implementation; and DOMLEC, the electric utility company. Other key stakeholders to be consulted include The Ministry of Public Works, Energy & Ports, Ministry of Finance through these activities, the consultant will be pivotal in the mobilisation of co-financing for the project and in raising awareness among key stakeholders on the project, its objectives and strategy.

Clean Energy Specialist (Local): The specialist will be responsible to provide expertise regarding the development of technical and policy baseline and justifications to support the introduction of EE and Solar PV technologies and facilitate phase out of incandescent lighting in Dominica base on relevant international experience (laws, regulations and enforcement mechanisms). The consultant will also provide technical assistance to the project team on the development and implementation of pilot demonstrations of EE products and Solar PV technologies to be carried out in 5 locations of Dominica.

Key tasks will include:

lect and Assess Baseline information of policy, legal/regulatory, and institutional frameworks and barriers expansion Institutional and technical knowledge for EE applications & Solar PV technologies and ommendations for related project activities.

sed on this information, develop projected baseline Co₂ emissions of the scenario without a GEF tribution to the projects and calculate direct and indirect GHG benefits.

nmmary analysis of baseline investments with respect to the renewable energy sector

p design incremental activities related to EE/RE policies and projects.

Key products will include:

eline review and update of policy, legal/regulatory, and institutional frameworks and barriers to expansion titutional and technical knowledge for EE applications & Solar PV technologies and recommendations for ated project activities.

eline CO₂ emissions and direct and indirect GHG benefits report.

port of key lessons from regional and international experiences in a SIDS/developing country context with ommendations for adaptive learning.

Qualifications:

Education:

c, in energy systems, environmental management, physics, electrical engineering or related discipline.

ong awareness of international best practices related to EE/RE policies and regulations.

Experience:

ear experience in energy resource management and policy, electric utility regulation or related field.

ear experience working within the Caribbean region in renewable energy/energy efficiency, energy sector ulation or related field

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Training of government staff on the preparations for the setting up, and in the actual establishment of the fiscal/financing scheme.

Conduct promotional campaigns to build capacities about the benefits of energy efficient appliances and the eligibility, conditions and advantage of the fiscal/financing scheme.

Preparation of a sustainable follow up plan with specific activities, and proposed financing.

Key deliverables will include:

Based on the assessment of the current clean energy fiscal/financing policy, the design of the fiscal/financing schemes, the consultant will:

Develop financing guidelines and tax exemption criteria and relevant templates for applicants

Conduct training and awareness raising workshops of the benefits of EE financing.

Propose EE financing schemes.

Design a sustainable follow up plan for scaling and developing similar financing schemes for other sectors building on the experience and lessons learned of the exercise.

Qualifications:

Education:

Master degree finance, public administration, business management or any other relevant field.

Strong awareness of international best practices related to EE/RE policies and regulations.

Experience:

Experience on Renewable Energy/Energy Efficiency financing and operations at the government and/or private sector.

Demonstrated track record of delivering high quality reports on time

Experience working in a national, government managed programme would be an advantage

International PPG Team Leader – Clean Energy Policy & Capacity Development Expert (International): The Team Leader is an Energy Specialist responsible for coordinating the work of all other experts working with the selected National consultants through, and will ensure the quality and timely preparation of all reports and documentation with at least two missions to Dominica and home-based work. Additionally, the Team Leader will ensure the improvement of the decision/policy making process in Dominica through the design of mechanisms of capacity building, awareness raising and knowledge dissemination aimed at different sectors (education, public works, technicians, and other civil servants) and general public outreach nationwide on the benefits of using EE products and Solar PV

systems.

Will carry out the following tasks:

Project Preparation:

Provide an overall orientation to the PPG team in relation to GEF requirements for project planning and monitoring.

Provide methodological guidance for data collection related to project planning and monitoring with particular attention given to the description and quantification of the baseline investments.

Based on the inputs from national experts and in close cooperation with the key national stakeholders, compile final baseline/situational analysis for the MSP. This will include a precise definition of baseline projects, activities, budgets, goals and co-financial links to GEF outcomes; definition of GEF incremental value outcome and output; presentation of results of the incremental cost-analysis in matrices.

Based on the inputs from national experts and the best international practice, prepare a quantified assessment of global environmental benefits for climate change mitigation projects.

Analyse the socio-economic benefits of the proposed interventions at national and local levels.

Based on the international experience, assist in reconfirming/specifying the project strategy, finalizing project sections on: (a) An assessment of the social, economic and financial sustainability of proposed project activities; (b) Assessment of alternatives to the project strategy and establishing the cost effectiveness of the preferred strategy and suite of activities; (c) A replication strategy for project activities; (d) Assessment of the risks to the proposed project activities and identifying measures to mitigate these risks; (e) incremental cost analysis.

Based on national experts inputs, develop project monitoring and evaluation system for the MSP including a completed tracking tool for climate change mitigation and a set of indicators, baselines and targets.

Develop and finalize a Logical Framework of the project.

Based on national experts inputs, finalize M&E plan and budget. Define recommended project monitoring and evaluation indicators.

Based on national experts inputs, draft ToRs for the key consultants/contracts to be employed by the project.

Based on national experts input, elaborate Stakeholder Involvement and Public Participation plans.

Develop action plan for incorporation of gender aspects in the project, with quantifiable baseline and target indicators, as per GEF and UNDP guidance.

Perform final reviews of the required project documentation.

Conduct Environmental and Social Safeguard Screening following the UNDP procedure, producing the checklist and summary report.

Capacity Development:

Identify capacity development needs of target public;

Take lead role to provide technical support and input for the implementation of activities related to capacity development

Develop capacity development guidelines and manuals aimed at the target public aimed at raise awareness, share and disseminate knowledge and experience about EE and PV technologies.

Provide input on capacity development issues to stakeholders (manuals, guidelines or other such documents).

Participate/facilitate in capacity development activities aimed at government technicians and officials

The Key deliverable of the Lead Energy Expert will be a final comprehensive project document in UNDP

format and the CEO Endorsement Request template.

Preparation of this key deliverable will include quality control and final formulation of the following indicative sections of a UNDP/GEF compliant project document:

Situation Analysis (including proposal sections on context, threats/root causes/barriers analysis, institutional/sectoral/policy context, stakeholder analysis, business-as-usual-analysis, gender issue analysis, indigenous groups, business-with-GEF-analysis)

Project Strategy (including proposal sections on project rationale and policy conformity, project goal, objective, outcomes, outputs and activities, project indicators, risks and assumptions, country ownership, sustainability and replicability)

Institutional and Management Arrangements

Monitoring and Evaluation Plan and Budget

Incremental Cost Analysis (including systems boundary, Summary of costs, additional cost matrix)

Strategic Results Framework (formerly Logical Framework Analysis)

Annual Budget and First Annual Work plan

Project Organigram

Project timetable

Terms of Reference for Project staff and main consultants and sub-contracts

Stakeholder involvement Plan with a focus on indigenous groups

Financing letters from stakeholders

Annexes and additional information annexes including UNDP environmental and social screening.

These sections are indicative; As templates may be subject to change, the GEF Project Design Specialist will be required to obtain guidance by the UNDP/GEF Regional Technical Advisor and UNDP CO on applicable formats and templates and ensure that his/her work is compliant with UNDP/GEF and UNDP CO requirements.

Qualifications:

Education

Graduate degree in energy systems, environmental management, physics, electrical engineering or related discipline
Preferred would be a MSc in energy systems, environmental management, physics, electrical engineering or related discipline

Experience

Proven and extensive international experience in renewable energy projects, with demonstrated experience working with photovoltaic technologies, experience with public lighting or public building is a distinct advantage;

Understanding of the technical, engineering, environmental and financial considerations installing renewable energy systems

At least 10 year experience designing and/or implementing renewable energy and/or climate mitigation activities in developing countries

Work experience in any other Latin America and the Caribbean country preferred; and

Alternatively experience working in SIDS is desirable.