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## **Terms of Reference**

**EOI140905-01**

Job Title: Energy Strategy Consultant

Duty Station: Barbados

Duration of Assignment: 40-50 days during 1 September – 31 December 2014

Contracting Authority: UNDP Barbados and the OECS

### **Background**

Barbados and the countries of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States have been reliant historically on imported fossil fuels to meet their energy needs. This has resulted in high costs per kilowatt hour, and has presented a barrier to sustainable human development. However, opportunities are now emerging to make much greater use of renewable energy (RE) and energy efficient (EE) technologies to dramatically lower costs and reduce carbon emissions. There is increased activity in the sector by a growing number of actors.

UNDP has a long history of working with Barbados and the OECS on RE/EE issues, and currently has a portfolio of related projects. Given the central importance of these issues to the future prospects of the countries of the region, and the pace of change in the sector, UNDP intends to develop a new strategic approach to supporting these countries on RE/EE issues.

### **Overall Objectives**

Under the direct supervision of the RR and DRR, and working closely with the Program Manager for Energy, Environment and Climate Change and other relevant colleagues, the consultant will be expected to:

- Produce an analytical overview of the current RE/EE landscape in Barbados and the OECS, including current and expected actions by countries and other partners (40% of time - indicative)
- Develop options for UNDP's new strategic approach to RE/EE issues (30% of time – indicative)
- Identify potential new programme/project opportunities (30% of time – indicative)

## **Responsibilities**

- survey the current RE/EE landscape in Barbados and the OECS, including current and expected actions by countries and other partners through a combination of desk research, meetings, field visits and participation in relevant conferences and other forums
- engage fully with a wide range of stakeholders, including representatives of the countries of the region, key development partners, international and regional financial institutions, the private sector, and other relevant actors
- hold discussions with key stakeholders within UNDP inside and outside the region
- develop a detailed understanding of key trends in the RE/EE field in the eastern Caribbean
- review the existing UNDP Barbados and the OECS strategy and portfolio in light of UNDP's corporate strengths and new strategic plan, and potential new funding sources, and provide technical guidance as necessary
- identify UNDP's added value in RE/EE in the eastern Caribbean
- recommend options for UNDP's new strategic approach to RE/EE issues
- contribute to the development of new proposals

## **Products/deliverables**

- state of the art strategy document outlining a plan for UNDP's engagement with RE/EE issues
- mapping of actors, initiatives and resource mobilization opportunities
- outline of project portfolio, including project proposals (where relevant)

## **Qualifications**

- Masters degree in Economics, Finance, Energy Policy, International Development, Engineering or a related field
- at least 10 years of relevant work experience
- extensive knowledge of renewable energy and energy efficiency policies and technologies in a variety of geographic settings
- proven exposure to bilateral and multilateral donors and frameworks for sustainable RE/EE
- knowledge of UNDP's energy portfolio
- knowledge of renewable energy and energy efficiency issues in the Caribbean
- excellent English language and writing skills

## **Instructions to Applicants**

### Application process

Deadline for applications is 05 September 2014

Applications must include:

- Cover letter of no more than 3 pages, including a description of main achievements and outlining how the candidate expects to meet the profile requirements
- Completed P11 form

Applications should be submitted by email to [procurement.bb@undp.org](mailto:procurement.bb@undp.org) with **EOI140905-01** included in the subject line.

### Selection, evaluation and negotiation

Candidates must fulfil the profile minimum requirements and comply with the application instructions to be evaluated. The evaluations will be conducted on the basis of the cover letter outlining main achievements and experience.

Negotiations will be conducted by UNDP with successful candidates on the basis of their budget and UNDP rules and procedures.