Section 3: Terms of Reference

1. Consultancy Information

Consultancy: Consultancy Firm to Establish the UNDP Country Programme Document Baseline Data

Department/Unit: Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Livelihoods

Supervisor: UNDP Practice Specialist - Poverty Reduction and Capacity Development

Duration: 50 working days
Starting Date: 1 November 2016
Duty Station: Dar Es Salaam

Located at: UNDP Dar es Salaam (with missions)

Full/part time: Full time

2. Organizational Context

UNDP Tanzania has been supporting the United Republic of Tanzania (URT) to implement its strategic development goals through the various policies and programmes, including MKUKUTA II, Zanzibar Strategy for Economic and Social Transformation (2016-2020), Five-year Development Plan II and Big Results Now initiatives. The United Nations Development Assistance Plan II for 2016-2021 has been recently launched to support the URT. In line with that UNDP prepared a Country Programme Document (CPD) for 2016 – 2021 to support the URT in the context of UNDAP II (Delivering as One) to address Government development priorities.

The new CPD outlines the UNDP contributions to national results for the period from 2016 to 2021 in the key areas of (1) inclusive economic growth and poverty reduction; (2) environment sustainability, climate change and resilience; and (3) inclusive democratic governance. All of these take into consideration cross-cutting issues such as gender equality and youth empowerment.

In order to be able to take stock of progress made towards achieving the development objectives, baseline data is necessary. It refers to the measurement of key conditions (indicators) before a programme/project begins. When such data is not readily available, a baseline study is required to determine baseline conditions and to justify the interventions proposed.

The baseline data provides a historical point of reference to: a) inform program planning, such as target and milestone setting; and b) monitor and track changes during program implementation and c) evaluate change impact assessment. In the context of the CPD there are currently some baseline information gaps which need to be addressed. The baseline related work will take into consideration elements such as timeframe and geographic and demographic scope.

3. Purpose of the Assignment

The main purpose of this assignment is to provide the missing baseline data for the Country Programme Document so as to inform programme formulation and monitor and assess progress towards the national objectives within the wider framework of attaining the Sustainable Development Goals. Gender concerns are to be taken into consideration. The specific objectives are as follows:

- To identify, validate and document sources of information for the Country Programme Document (CPD) 2016-2021 baseline data i.e. outcomes, outputs targets and indicators for tracking progress.
- 2. To establish and provide baselines information that is missing i.e. indicators baseline values and targets for outcomes and outputs in the CPD.
- 3. To document data collection mechanisms and tools which will be used to provide periodic data on the indicators.
- 4. To develop a data collection plan which includes data sources, frequency, data collection methodology and responsible institutions (departments & if possible positions of the individuals that will be involved).

4. Scope of work

The consultancy firm will be responsible for meeting agreed milestones and deadlines and for the quality of the final baseline data. In order to achieve the objectives, the tasks of the firm will include but will not be limited to the following:

- 1. Read through the Country Programme Document and validate the institutions (major partners: e.g. World Bank, Government, Private Sector, etc.) that are indicated as sources of information as per objective number 1 above.
- 2. Provide information that will assist in closing the current data gaps in the Country Programme Document (CPD) see objective 2.
- 3. Prepare and test data collection tools and methodologies and carry out field data collection (where applicable) using appropriate methods and sampling required as per objective 2
- 4. Develop and submit a data collection plan for future monitoring and data collection by the programme team as per objectives 3 and 4
- 5. Provide answers to the following key questions:
 - For each indicator, what type of data will be needed for monitoring the progress?
 - Is the data currently available/collected?
 - What is/are the possible source(s) for that data?
 - How frequently is the data collected?
 - What is the possible level of disaggregation (rural/urban, gender, age, etc.)?
 - Which sector/institution will be responsible for monitoring and/or supplying the data for each indicator?
 - Are the existing data collection systems supportive/capable of collecting the required data?
 - If not, what capacities need to be enhanced to make the collection possible?
 - What are the possible challenges to be faced in terms of data supply?

Methodology:

- 1. Gathering, review and analysis of key documents related to CPD outcomes and outputs.
- 2. Consultations and meetings with focus groups relevant to the CPD outcomes and outputs.
- 3. Field missions and sampling where applicable
- 4. Produce a report as per the objectives

5. Deliverables

The key deliverables to be produced as a result of this assignment include:

The consultancy firm will produce:

- Inception report (within 5 working days of taking the assignment) which includes the methodology, a detailed mission schedule and list of persons/institutions to meet with
- Data collection interim report (within 20 working days after the inception report is approved for
- continuance) which includes field work, field report, indicators, baselines, milestones and targets related to the CPD 2016 – 2021.
- Data collection plan and tools to be used in the monitoring stages during programme implementation (within 10 working days of the interim report approval)
- **PowerPoint presentation** which indicates the different data collection phases, key findings, challenges and opportunities (within 5 days of completing field work and data collection stages above)
- Final report of as per stated objectives (within 10 working days of approval of above deliverables)
- Total duration of the assignment is 50 working days

6. Qualifications of the Team Leader

Qualifications:

- Master's Degree in Monitoring & Evaluation, Statistics, Data and Analytics, Applied Research, Project Management or related fields.
- Experience of at least 15 years in data management and analysis related to development programmes and projects
- Extensive experience in the use of innovative methodologies and data collection and analysis (outcomes and impacts) in the absence of rigorous empirical evidence to establish causal links
- Wide experience in programme and project management across different development policy areas
- Knowledge of and experience of working with the United Nations System, UNDP in particular, is an advantage
- Experience of working in Tanzania is an advantage
- Expertise in cross-cutting issues, including gender and youth considerations in programmes and projects is an added advantage
- · Fluency in spoken and written English
- · Knowledge of Kiswahili will be an advantage.

7. Qualifications of the Team members (at least 2 experts required)

Qualifications:

- Master's Degree in Monitoring & Evaluation, Political Science, Economics, Environmental management, Gender studies or related fields.
- Experience of at least 10 years in data management for development in any of the key sectors of the CPD namely democratic governance/ inclusive economic growth/ environmental management/ climate change and energy/ gender and youth economic empowerment
- Wide experience in the use of innovative methodologies in data collection and analysis for the specific sector of their expertise to establish evidence of causal links
- Wide experience in programme and project management across different and/or specific development areas of the CPD described above
- Knowledge of and experience of working with the United Nations System, UNDP in particular, is an advantage
- Experience of working in Tanzania is an advantage
- Expertise in cross-cutting issues, including gender and youth considerations in programmes and projects is an added advantage
- Fluency in spoken and written English
- Knowledge of Kiswahili will be an advantage.

8. Competencies of the Consultancy firm/team

Core competencies

- Demonstrate good knowledge of issues, policies and processes related to inclusive growth and livelihoods; environmental sustainability, climate change and resilience; and democratic governance at local, regional, national and international level.
- · Demonstrate high level strategic thinking skills and development policy skills
- Demonstrated commitment to gender equality, women's empowerment and ending violence against women
- Demonstrate integrity by modelling the UN's values and ethical standards:

Functional competencies

- Excellent analytical, research, presentation and communication skills;
- Strong writing and oral communication skills;
- · Strong analytical skills, including in the identification of key issues and how they relate;
- Ability to conceptualize problems and generate innovative, practical solutions;

Team leader should also demonstrate:

- Ability to plan for and produce quality results in meeting established goal
- · Experience of successful leadership of a team in undertaking similarly complex assignments in the past;
- · Good time management, teamwork and coordination skills.
- Ability to deliver high quality products within the set timelines

9. Institutional arrangements

The Firm will work full time in Dar es Salaam, with travel to select regions where applicable. Limited administrative and logistical support will be provided but the firm is expected to work from their own premises with scheduled contact with the UNDP focal person who will supervise this work. The firm/Team leader will report to the UNDP Practice Specialist - Poverty Reduction and Capacity Development (or his designate), who will review progress on a weekly basis, and will certify delivery of outputs.

10. How to apply

Please submit the following documents:

- I. Technical proposal comprising of the following:
 - Letter of Confirmation of Interest and Availability using the template provided by UNDP.
 - Personal CV and P-11 of all the team members, indicating their role in the team and all past experience from similar projects, as well as the contact details (email and telephone number) of the Candidate and three (3) professional references. Proposals without a P-11 form will not be accepted.
 - Proposed sections (maximum 25 pages in total):
 - Summary
 - Background
 - Purpose and scope
 - Specific objectives
 - Methodology
 - Deliverables
 - Timeframe schedule
 - Quality and ethical standards
 - Qualifications or description of the baseline study team
 - Application procedures.
- II. Financial Proposal: This shall indicate an all-inclusive fixed total contract price, supported by a breakdown of costs, as per template provided below.

11. Financial Proposal

The financial proposal must be expressed as an all-inclusive lump sum amount in TZS or USD, presented in the following template:

Particulars	Unit cost (USD or TZS)	No.	Total
a) Professional fee:			
b) Other costs (specify):			
	Total (I	ump sum):	

Notes:

- 1. The information in the breakdown of the offered lump sum amount provided by the Offeror will be used as the basis for determining best value for money, and as reference for any amendments of the contract.
- 2. The agreed contract amount will remain fixed regardless of any factors causing an increase in the cost of any of the components in the breakdown that are not directly attributable to UNDP.
- 3. Approved local travel related to this assignment will be arranged & paid by UNDP Tanzania.

12. Criteria for Selection of the Best Offer

Offers received will be evaluated using a Combined Scoring method, where the qualifications and proposed methodology will be weighted 70%, and combined with the price offer, which will be weighted 30%.

Criteria to be used for rating the qualifications:

Technical evaluation criteria (total 100 points):

- o Expertise of the firm or organization [40 marks].
- Management structure and key personnel [20 marks]
- Proposed methodology, approach and implementation plan [40 marks].

Only firms/ teams obtaining a minimum of 70 out of 100 obtainable points in the Technical Evaluation will be considered for the Financial Evaluation.

Financial evaluation (total 30 points):

All technically qualified proposals will be scored out 30 based on the formula provided on page 11 of this RFP and here below:

Rating the Technical Proposal (TP):

Rating = (Total Score Obtained by the Offer / Max. Obtainable Score for TP) x 100

Total Combined Score:

FP Rating = (Lowest Priced Offer / Price of the Offer Being Reviewed) x 100

Total Combined Score:

(TP Rating) x (Weight of TP, e.g. 70%) + (FP Rating) x (Weight of FP, e.g., 30%)

Total Combined and Final Rating of the Proposal

Section 4: Proposal Submission Form8

[insert: Location]
[insert: Date

To: [insert: Name and Address of UNDP focal point]

Dear Sir/Madam:

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We, the undersigned, hereby offer to provide professional services for [insert: title of services] in accordance with your Request for Proposal dated [insert: Date] and our Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes the Technical Proposal and Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelope.

We hereby declare that:

- a) All the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and we accept that any misrepresentation contained in it may lead to our disqualification;
- b) We are currently not on the removed or suspended vendor list of the UN or other such lists of other UN agencies, nor are we associated with, any company or individual appearing on the 1267/1989 list of the UN Security Council;
- c) We have no outstanding bankruptcy or pending litigation or any legal action that could impair our operation as a going concern; and
- d) We do not employ, nor anticipate employing, any person who is or was recently employed by the UN or UNDP.

We confirm that we have read, understood and hereby accept the Terms of Reference describing the duties and responsibilities required of us in this RFP, and the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP's Contract for Professional Services.

We agree to abide by this Proposal for [insert: period of validity as indicated in Data Sheet].

We undertake, if our Proposal is accepted, to initiate the services not later than the date indicated in the Data Sheet.

We fully understand and recognize that UNDP is not bound to accept this proposal, that we shall bear all costs associated with its preparation and submission, and that UNDP will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the evaluation.

we remain,	
Yours sincerely,	
Authorized Signature [In full and initials]:Name and Title of Signatory:Name of Firm:	
Contact Details:	

 $^{^{8}}$ No deletion or modification may be made in this form. Any such deletion or modification may lead to the rejection of the Proposal.

Section 5: Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Proposer

Proposer Information Form9

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year] of Proposal Submission] RFP No.: [insert number] Page _____of ____pages 1. Proposer's Legal Name [insert Proposer's legal name] 2. In case of Joint Venture (JV), legal name of each party: [insert legal name of each party in JV] 3. Actual or intended Country/ies of Registration/Operation: [insert actual or intended Country of Registration]

7. Years of Operation in each Country

6. No. of staff in each Country

8. Legal Address/es in Country/ies of Registration/Operation: [insert Proposer's legal address in country of registration]

9. Value and Description of Top three (3) Biggest Contract for the past five (5) years

10. Latest Credit Rating (if any)

5. Countries of Operation

11. Brief description of litigation history (disputes, arbitration, claims, etc.), indicating current status and outcomes, if already resolved.

12. Proposer's Authorized Representative Information

Name: [insert Authorized Representative's name] Address: [insert Authorized Representative's name]

Telephone/Fax numbers: [insert Authorized Representative's name]

Email Address: [insert Authorized Representative's name]

4. Year of Registration: [insert Proposer's year of registration]

13. Are you in the UNPD List 1267.1989 or UN Ineligibility List? ☐ YES or ☐ NO

14. Attached are copies of original documents of:

☐ All eligibility document requirements listed in the Data Sheet

☐ If Joint Venture/Consortium – copy of the Memorandum of Understanding/Agreement or Letter of Intent to form a JV/Consortium, or Registration of JV/Consortium, if registered

☐ If case of Government corporation or Government-owned/controlled entity, documents establishing legal and

financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law.

 $^{^9}$ The Proposer shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions. Apart from providing additional information, no alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.

Joint Venture Partner Information Form (if Registered)¹⁰

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Proposal Submission]

RFP No.: [insert number] Page of pages Proposer's Legal Name: [insert Proposer's legal name] JV's Party legal name: [insert JV's Party legal name] 3. JV's Party Country of Registration: [insert JV's Party country of registration] 4. Year of Registration: [insert Party's year of registration] 5. Countries of Operation 6. No. of staff in each Country 7. Years of Operation in each Country 8. Legal Address/es in Country/ies of Registration/Operation: [insert Party's legal address in country of registration] 9. Value and Description of Top three (3) Biggest Contract for the past five (5) years 10. Latest Credit Rating (if any) Brief description of litigation history (disputes, arbitration, claims, etc.), indicating current status and outcomes, if 1. already resolved. 13. JV's Party Authorized Representative Information Name: [insert name of JV's Party authorized representative] Address: [insert address of JV's Party authorized representative] Telephone/Fax numbers: [insert telephone/fax numbers of JV's Party authorized representative] Email Address: [insert email address of JV's Party authorized representative] 14. Attached are copies of original documents of: [check the box(es) of the attached original documents] ☐ All eligibility document requirements listed in the Data Sheet ☐ Articles of Incorporation or Registration of firm named in 2. ☐ In case of government owned entity, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law.

¹⁰ The Proposer shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions. Apart from providing additional information, No alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.

Section 6: Technical Proposal Form

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FORMAT

INSERT TITLE OF THE SERVICES

Note: Technical Proposals not submitted in this format may be rejected. The financial proposal should be included in separate envelope.

Name of Proposing Organization / Firm:	
Country of Registration:	
Name of Contact Person for this Proposal:	
Address:	
Phone / Fax:	
Email:	

SECTION 1: EXPERTISE OF FIRM/ ORGANISATION

This section should fully explain the Proposer's resources in terms of personnel and facilities necessary for the performance of this requirement. All contents of this section may be modified or expanded depending on the evaluation criteria stated in the RFP.

- 1.1 Brief Description of Proposer as an Entity: Provide a brief description of the organization / firm submitting the proposal, its legal mandates/authorized business activities, the year and country of incorporation, types of activities undertaken, and approximate annual budget, etc. Include reference to reputation, or any history of litigation and arbitration in which the organisation / firm has been involved that could adversely affect or impact the performance of services, indicating the status/result of such litigation/arbitration.
- 1.2. Financial Capacity: Provide the latest Audited Financial Statement (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) duly certified by a Public Accountant, and with authentication of receiving by the Government's Internal Revenue Authority. Include any indication of credit rating, industry rating, etc.
- 1.3. Track Record and Experiences: Provide the following information regarding corporate experience within the last five (5) years which are related or relevant to those required for this Contract.

Name of project	Client	Contract Value	Period of activity	Types of activities undertaken	Status or Date Completed	References Contact Details (Name, Phone, Email)

SECTION 2 - APPROACH AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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

- <u>2.1. Approach to the Service/Work Required</u>: Please provide a detailed description of the methodology for how the organisation/firm will achieve the Terms of Reference of the project, keeping in mind the appropriateness to local conditions and project environment.
- <u>2.2. Technical Quality Assurance Review Mechanisms</u>: The methodology shall also include details of the Proposer's internal technical and quality assurance review mechanisms.
- <u>2.3 Implementation Timelines:</u> The Proposer shall submit a Gantt Chart or Project Schedule indicating the detailed sequence of activities that will be undertaken and their corresponding timing.
- 2.4. Subcontracting: Explain whether any work would be subcontracted, to whom, how much percentage of the work, the rationale for such, and the roles of the proposed sub-contractors. Special attention should be given to providing a clear picture of the role of each entity and how everyone will function as a team.
- 2.5. Risks / Mitigation Measures: Please describe the potential risks for the implementation of this project that may impact achievement and timely completion of expected results as well as their quality. Describe measures that will be put in place to mitigate these risks.
- <u>2.6.</u> Reporting and Monitoring: Please provide a brief description of the mechanisms proposed for this project for reporting to the UNDP and partners, including a reporting schedule.
- 2.7. Anti-Corruption Strategy: Define the anti-corruption strategy that will be applied in this project to prevent the misuse of funds. Describe the financial controls that will be put in place.
- <u>2.8. Partnerships</u>: Explain any partnerships with local, international or other organizations that are planned for the implementation of the project. Special attention should be given to providing a clear picture of the role of each entity and how everyone will function as a team. Letters of commitment from partners and an indication of whether some or all have successfully worked together on other previous projects is encouraged.
- <u>2.9 Statement of Full Disclosure</u>: This is intended to disclose any potential conflict in accordance with the definition of "conflict" under Section 4 of this document, if any.
- 2.10 Other: Any other comments or information regarding the project approach and methodology that will be adopted.

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- <u>3.1 Management Structure</u>: Describe the overall management approach toward planning and implementing this activity. Include an organization chart for the management of the project describing the relationship of key positions and designations.
- 3.2 Staff Time Allocation: Provide a spreadsheet will be included to show the activities of each staff member and the time allocated for his/her involvement. (Note: This spreadsheet is crucial and no substitution of personnel will be tolerated once the contract has been awarded except in extreme circumstances and with the written approval of the UNDP. If substitution is unavoidable it will be with a person who, in the opinion of the UNDP project manager, is at least as experienced as the person being replaced, and subject to the approval of UNDP. No increase in costs will be considered as a result of any substitution.)
- <u>3.3 Qualifications of Key Personnel</u>: Provide the CVs for key personnel (Team Leader, Managerial and general staff) that will be provided to support the implementation of this project. CVs should demonstrate qualifications in areas relevant to the Scope of Services. Please use the format below:

Name:			
Position for this Contract:			
Nationality:			
Contact information:			
Countries of Work Experience:			
Language Skills:		1 30	
Educational and other Qualificat	ions:		
Summary of Experience: Highli	ight experience	in the region and on simila	r projects.
Relevant Experience (From most			
Period: From - To	Period: From - To Name of activ organisation,		Job Title and Activities undertaken/Description of actual role performed:
e.g. June 2004-January 2005			
Etc.			
References no.1 (minimum of	Name		
3):	Designation		
	Organization		
	Contact Infor	mation – Address; Phone; E	Fmail; etc.
Reference no.2	Name		
	Designation		
	Organization		
		mation – Address; Phone; E	mail; etc.
Reference no.3	Name		
	Designation		
	Organization		Table 1.
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	ny willul missi	atement described above m	nay lead to my disqualification, before or
during my engagement.			
Signature of the Nominated Team	Leader/Memb	oer	Date Signed
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Section 7: Financial Proposal Form¹¹

The Proposer is required to prepare the Financial Proposal in an envelope separate from the rest of the RFP as indicated in the Instruction to Proposers.

The Financial Proposal must provide a detailed cost breakdown. Provide separate figures for each functional grouping or category.

Any estimates for cost-reimbursable items, such as travel and out-of-pocket expenses, should be listed separately.

In case of an equipment component to the service provider, the Price Schedule should include figures for both purchase and lease/rent options. UNDP reserves the option to either lease/rent or purchase outright the equipment through the Contractor.

The format shown on the following pages is suggested for use as a guide in preparing the Financial Proposal. The format includes specific expenditures, which may or may not be required or applicable but are indicated to serve as examples. UNDP shall use the cost breakdown for the price reasonability assessment purposes as well as the calculation of price in the event that both parties have agreed to add new deliverables to the scope of Services.

Cost Breakdown per Deliverables*

Outputs	Percentage	Timing	Condition for Payment Release
Inception report which includes the methodology, a detailed mission schedule and list of persons/institutions to meet with	10% of Contract Awarded	within 5 working days of taking the assignment	
Data collection interim report which includes field work, field report, indicators, baselines, milestones and targets related to the CPD 2016 - 2021.	30% of Contract Awarded	within 20 working days after the inception report is approved for continuance	Within thirty (30) days from the date of meeting the following conditions:
Data collection plan and tools to be used in the monitoring stages during programme implementation	25% of Contract Awarded	within 10 working days of the interim report approval	 a) UNDP's written acceptance (i.e., not mere receipt) of the quality of
PowerPoint presentation which indicates the different data collection phases, key findings, challenges and opportunities	10% of Contract Awarded	within 5 days of completing field work and data collection stages above	the outputs; and b) Receipt of invoice from the Service Provider.
Final report of as per stated objectives	25% of Contract Awarded	within 10 working days of approval of above deliverables	

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Section 8: Form for Proposal Security

(This must be finalized using the official letterhead of the Issuing Bank. Except for indicated fields, no changes may be made on this template)

	UNDP [Insert contact information as provided in Data Sheet]
Propos	WHEREAS [name and address of Contractor] (hereinafter called "the Proposer") has submitted a all to UNDP dated, to execute Services (Hereinafter 'the Proposal"):
	AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you that the Proposer shall furnish you with a Bank tee by a recognized bank for the sum specified therein as security in the event that the Proposer:
b) c) d)	Fails to sign the Contract after UNDP has awarded it; Withdraws its Proposal after the date of the opening of the Proposals; Fails to comply with UNDP's variation of requirement, as per RFP instructions; or Fails to furnish Performance Security, insurances, or other documents that UNDP may require as a condition to rendering the contract effective.
ì	AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Proposer such this Bank Guarantee:
of the P in the ty you, up [amoun	NOW THEREFORE we hereby affirm that we are the Guarantor and responsible to you, on behalf roposer, up to a total of [amount of guarantee] [in words and numbers], such sum being payable upes and proportions of currencies in which the Price Proposal is payable, and we undertake to pay on your first written demand and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of tof guarantee as aforesaid] without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your for the sum specified therein.
×-	This guarantee shall be valid up to 30 days after the final date of validity of bids.
3	SIGNATURE AND SEAL OF THE GUARANTOR BANK
Date	
Name of	Bank
Address .	

Section 9: Form for Performance Security¹²

(This must be finalized using the official letterhead of the Issuing Bank. Except for indicated fields, no changes may be made on this template)

To: UNDP [Insert contact information as provided in Data Sheet]
WHEREAS [name and address of Contractor] (hereinafter called "the Contractor") has undertaken, in pursuance of Contract No. Click here to enter text.dated Click here to enter a date., to execute Services (hereinafter called "the Contract"):
AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you in the said Contract that the Contractor shall furnish you with a Bank Guarantee by a recognized bank for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with his obligations in accordance with the Contract:
AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Contractor such a Bank Guarantee:
NOW THEREFORE we hereby affirm that we are the Guarantor and responsible to you, on behalf of the Contractor, up to a total of [amount of guarantee] [in words and numbers], such sum being payable in the types and proportions of currencies in which the Contract Price is payable, and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of [amount of guarantee as aforesaid] without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand for the sum specified therein.
This guarantee shall be valid until a date 30 days from the date of issue by UNDP of a certificate of satisfactory performance and full completion of services by the Contractor.
SIGNATURE AND SEAL OF THE GUARANTOR BANK
Date:
Name of Bank:
Address:

¹² If the RFP requires the submission of a Performance Security, which shall be made a condition to the signing and effectivity of the contract, the Performance Security that the Proposer's Bank will issue shall use the contents of this template

Section 11: Contract for Professional Services

THIS IS UNDP'S TEMPLATE FOR CONTRACT FOR THE PROPOSER'S REFERENCE. ADHERENCE TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS IS MANDATORY.

[PLEASE ATTACH HERETO THE .PDF VERSION OF THE CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND THE GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS]

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.
- 19.2 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 SECURITY:

- 23.1 The Contractor shall:
 - (a) Put in place an appropriate security plan and maintain the security plan, taking into account the security situation in the country where the services are being provided;
 - (b) Assume all risks and liabilities related to the Contractor's security, and the full implementation of the security plan.
- 23.2 UNDP reserves the right to verify whether such a plan is in place, and to suggest modifications to the plan when necessary. Failure to maintain and implement an appropriate security plan as required hereunder shall be deemed a breach of this contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor shall remain solely responsible for the security of its personnel and for UNDP's property in its custody as set forth in paragraph 4.1 above.

24.0 AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:

24.1 Each invoice paid by UNDP shall be subject to a post-payment audit by auditors, whether internal or external, of UNDP or the authorized agents of the UNDP at any time during the term of the Contract and for a period of three (3) years following the expiration or prior termination of the Contract. The UNDP shall be entitled to a refund from the Contractor for any amounts shown by such audits to have been paid by the UNDP other than in

accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract. Should the audit determine that any funds paid by UNDP have not been used as per contract clauses, the company shall reimburse such funds forthwith. Where the company fails to reimburse such funds, UNDP reserves the right to seek recovery and/or to take any other action as it deems necessary.

24.2 The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, at any time, UNDP may conduct investigations relating to any aspect of the Contract, the obligations performed under the Contract, and the operations of the Contractor generally. The right of UNDP to conduct an investigation and the Contractor's obligation to comply with such an investigation shall not lapse upon expiration or prior termination of the Contract. The Contractor shall provide its full and timely cooperation with any such inspections, post-payment audits or investigations. Such cooperation shall include, but shall not be limited to, the Contractor's obligation to make available its personnel and any documentation for such purposes and to grant to UNDP access to the Contractor's premises. The Contractor shall require its agents, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's attorneys, accountants or other advisers, to reasonably cooperate with any inspections, post-payment audits or investigations carried out by UNDP hereunder.

25.0 ANTI-TERRORISM:

25.1 The Contractor agrees to undertake all reasonable efforts to ensure that none of the UNDP funds received under this Contract are used to provide support to individuals or entities associated with terrorism and that the recipients of any amounts provided by UNDP hereunder do not appear on the list maintained by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999). The list can be accessed via http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/committees/1267/1267ListEng.htm. This provision must be included in all subcontracts or sub-agreements entered into under this Contract.

26.0 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.