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TERM OF REFERENCE (ToR) FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTOR (IC)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Services/Work Description: **Assessment of private sector and philanthropy ecosystem and how UNDP Ghana can position itself in partnership for delivering the sustainable development goals.**

Project/Program Title: UNDP Ghana Country Office Strategic Repositioning Reforms

Post Title: International Consultant

Consultant Level: Level C (Senior Specialist)

Duty Station: Home based Accra

Expected Places of Travel: One mission to Accra Ghana for a duration of 5 working days.

Duration: 20 days

Expected Start Date: 18 November 2019

I. BACKGROUND / PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Background

The role of the private sector to drive sustainable economic growth, create jobs, develop and provide needed goods and services and to innovate for more sustainable solutions cannot be underestimated. Most businesses are aware of the SDGs, and a majority are keen on playing their part in the achievement of the goals. However, few businesses have yet identified means and ways of engagement. To bridge this gap UNDP has renewed its commitment and expanded its policies to fully embrace partnership with the private sector to unlock development potential for people and planet through the Financial Sector Hub (FSH), which combines the private and public sector sides of delivering the SDGs.

The strategic focus of UNDP on the private sector collaboration center around 1) aligning business strategies and operations with SDGs and 2) unlocking private finance for the SDGs. On the latter, SDG Impact (<https://sdgimpact.undp.org/>) is an already existing flagship project of the FSH that helps private investors identify and realize opportunities through impact management (standards and seal), impact intelligence (opportunity maps) and impact facilitation (convenings and match-making).

Introduction to Assignment

To translate these ideas into actions and results in Ghana, UNDP Ghana recently renewed its efforts to strategically engage the private sector and align with the work of the FSH and the SDG Integration as a framework for guiding the process of our renewed commitment of engaging the private sector. The SDG Integration tool places strong emphasis on integrated solutions. Not only is there a specific element on financing within SDG Integration – but the very orientation of SDG Integration speaks to the engagement of private

sector and other relevant partners, moving beyond Corporate Social Responsibility actions to those that impact the core business and operations of the private sector to make it sustainable.

UNDP employs an ecosystem development approach whereby it acts as a facilitator to bring together private sector and other relevant stakeholders, including governments and other development partners. This way, UNDP can utilize its convening power and leverage the contribution that all relevant actors can make towards a more sustainable private sector. One key modality to be employed within this approach is the Multi-Stakeholder Platform (MSP), whereby an ecosystem's diverse actors at multiple levels come together to address challenges and opportunities that are of relevance in a collective manner through a collaborative action plan.

Coupled with the ecosystem assessment approach is the principle of facilitating catalytic action, which is meant to function as an enabler for larger achievements by supporting the scaling up of innovative solutions that bring about direct field impact. Such action can include financial assistance in the form of grants to individual impact enterprises or ecosystem players and can be accompanied by the provision of technical support and monitoring follow-up, as is the case for the Project Facilitation Platform (PFP).

This assignment is therefore designed to gain understanding the private sector ecosystem, potential entry points for UNDP Ghana's work in the context of our global approach of engaging the private sector and how this can translate into catalytic engagement and partnership actions leveraging the achievement of the SDGs.

Objective

The objectives of this assignment are to:

- Conduct Eco-system mapping of Ghana's private sector as well as global landscape of private sector and organize brainstorming around the findings in relation to what support UNDP can provide strategically and operationally, and what resources and partnerships can be mobilized for achievement of shared development goals (within the context of the SDGs);
- Prepare a report and other knowledge and engagement products based on the mapping and assessment

Approach/Methodology

The Consultants will use a participatory approach. The methodology will comprise, inter alia, a review of relevant literature and existing methodologies and tools; interview with relevant stakeholders including but not limited to private sector organizations, companies, Ministry of Finance, Ghana Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Association of Ghana Industries (AGI), Private Enterprises Federation (PEF) among others. Where practicable, the Consultant will employ approaches such as physical one on one meetings, focus group discussions to achieve maximum results from the interviewing tools to be employed.

The draft assessment/analysis report will be reviewed by colleagues as well as SMT. It will also benefit from focused discussions with key partners including AGI, the UN Agencies, Development Partners and other relevant stakeholders especially within the ecosystem mapping to identify where UNDP Ghana can really add value.

II. SCOPE OF THE WORK

Using tools such as the Inclusive Ecosystem Business tool, the analysis will seek to solicit and validate information on how to engaging and convene stakeholders; facilitate communication, coordinate and collaborating with stakeholders in the space as well as coordination, and collaboration among them providing or sourcing expert advice, provide or mobilize financial resources or connections with impact investors, measure impact, document and disseminate lessons learned.

At the end of the process, the assessment and report will clearly identify UNDP Ghana's niche of private sector support actions, along with the business model for delivering new and innovative solutions within the context of the United Nations Sustainable Development Programme (UNSDP) and UNDP Ghana Country Programme Document (CPD), and the UNDP Accelerator Lab to promote inclusive markets and green businesses, along with identifying capacity needs at the country office.

Specific Tasks

1. Develop an inception report, outline of the report, indicating sources of information to interrogate, interview instruments, and other relevant materials for the development of the private sector assessment report within three days of signing contract;
2. Share and receive inputs on the outline of the report, the interview instruments, etc. within two days after submission;
3. Conduct necessary interviews, assessments and analysis
4. Develop and share draft private sector assessment report
5. Receive technical inputs UNDP Ghana Private Sector Team, SMT, and UNDP FSH with the aim of fine tuning and finalizing the report;
6. Provide final private sector assessment report including brief knowledge product such as primers

III. EXPECTED OUTPUTS AND DELIVERABLES

The expected deliverables are as follows:

1. Inception report, outline of the main report by 25 November 2019
2. Draft private sector assessment report by 15 December 2019
3. Final private sector assessment report, and primer (one or two-pager summary of results) by 31 December 2019

IV. INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT / REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

The Consultant will work under the direct general supervision of:

- the Deputy Resident Representative of UNDP Ghana with technical supervision from UNDP Ghana Private Sector Focal Group and colleagues from UNDP FSH.

Working in close collaboration with relevant stakeholders such as

- AGI, Ghana Chamber of Commerce and Industry, PEF
- Ministry of Finance

Overall guidance will be provided by UNDP Ghana Resident Representative.

V. LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO PROSPECT IC

UNDP will cover the costs of field missions separately where applicable for instance for the purposes of travel, so these costs should not be included in the financial proposal.

VI. DURATION OF THE WORK

The assignment is expected to be completed in 20 working days, with final deliverable handed in by 31 December 2019.

VII. QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SUCCESSFUL INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTOR (IC)

Education:

Advanced University Degree in business administration, banking, finance, economics, development studies, economics, sustainable development, or related field.

Experience:

- Minimum 15 years relevant working experience in sustainable development, private sector assessment and financing, resource mobilization, development of signature development solutions
- Good understanding and experience in development context of developing countries and the role of private sector engagement and mobilization is an asset
- Good understanding of the SDGs, Ghana's development context and the global trends in private sector engagement and catalyzing private sector partnerships and resources for achievement of the SDGs.
- Good knowledge and understanding of the private sector ecosystem regionally and globally in relation to achievement of the SDGs
- Knowledge of Ghana's development context, challenges and prospects for the achievement of the SDGs is an advantage;
- Good publication record in the field of private sector work, finance, development, economics is statistics, sustainable development, climate change, green economy, is an added advantage.

Language:

- Excellent knowledge of English, including the ability to set out a coherent argument in presentations and group interactions;
- Capacity to communicate fluently with different stakeholders (especially the private sector government authorities).

Functional Competencies:

- Conceptual and analytical skills;
- Interpersonal and leadership skills;
- Reporting and writing skills
- Computer skills: full command of Microsoft applications (word, excel, PowerPoint) and common internet applications will be required.

Core Competencies:

- Demonstrates integrity by modelling the UN's values and ethical standards;
- Promotes the vision, mission, and strategic goals of UNDP;
- Displays cultural, gender, religion, race, nationality and age sensitivity and adaptability;
- Treats all people fairly without favoritism; and
- Fulfils all obligations to gender sensitivity and zero tolerance for sexual harassment.

VIII. CRITERIA FOR SELECTING THE BEST OFFER

As per the Invitation to Submit an Offer, the qualified Individual Consultant is expected to submit both the Technical and Financial Proposals. Accordingly; Individual Consultants will be evaluated based on Cumulative Analysis as per the following scenario:

- 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. In this regard, the respective weight of the proposals are:
 - a. Technical Criteria weight is **70%**
 - b. Financial Criteria weight is **30%**

Criteria	Weight	Max. Point
Technical Competence	70%	70
Educational qualifications and years of experience in the relevant field		15
Knowledge and experience on private sector assessments, private sector engagement and partnerships, development of signature solutions		20
Knowledge of and experience of the private sector ecosystem regionally and globally in relation to achievement of the SDGs		5
Knowledge of and experience on Ghana's development context, SDGs		5
Publication and report writing record		5
Methodology/Approach		20
Financial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lowest offer will receive full points of 30 • The points for the others are calculated as follows: $P=y(u/z)$, where P is the points for the financial proposal evaluated; y is the maximum number of points; u is the price of the lowest priced proposal and z is the price of the proposal being evaluated. 	30%	30
Total Score	Technical Score * 70% + Financial Score * 30%	

IX. PAYMENT MILESTONES AND AUTHORITY

The prospective consultant will indicate the cost of services for each deliverable in US dollars all-inclusive¹ lump-sum contract amount when applying for this consultancy. The consultant will be paid based on the effective UN Official Rate of Exchange (UNORE) of proposal submission date (where applicable in case of national consultant), and only after approving authority confirms the successful completion of each deliverable as stipulated hereunder.

The qualified consultant shall receive his/her lump sum service fees upon certification of the completed tasks satisfactorily, as per the following payment schedule:

Deliverables	Payment Schedule
Submission and acceptance of Inception Report, and outline of main report	To be submitted to UNDP Ghana. Clearance triggers 1 st payment of 20%.
Submission and acceptance of draft private sector assessment report	To be submitted to UNDP Ghana. Clearance triggers 2 nd payment of 40%.
Submission and acceptance of final private sector assessment report and other knowledge products	To be submitted to UNDP Ghana. Clearance triggers final payment of 40%.

X. CONFIDENTIALITY AND PROPRIETARY INTERESTS

The Individual Consultant shall not either during the term or after termination of the assignment, disclose any proprietary or confidential information related to the consultancy service without prior written consent. Proprietary interests on all materials and documents prepared by the consultants under the assignment shall become and remain properties of UNDP.

¹ The term "All inclusive" implies that all costs (professional fees, travel costs, living allowances, communications, consummables, etc.) that could possibly be incurred by the Contractor are already factored into the final amounts submitted in the proposal

This TOR is approved by:

Name: Silke Hollander

Designation: Deputy Resident Representative

Signature: _____

Date Signed: 23 October 2019