



INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE

RE-ADVERTISEMENT

2019/UNDP-MMR/PN/134

Date: 13 December 2019

Country:	Myanmar
Description of the assignment:	Development Economist
Type of Contract:	Individual contract (Framework Agreement)
Duty Station:	Yangon, Myanmar (with possible relocation to Nay Pyi Taw)
Period of assignment/services:	1 January 2020 - December 2020 (12 months)

Proposal should be submitted to (either bids.mm@undp.org or UNDP Jobs site <http://jobs.undp.org>) no later than **26 December 2019, 24:00 hr (COB, YANGON)**. Email submission should state procurement notice number (2019/UNDP-MMR/PN/134) in the subject line.

Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic communication to the address or e-mail to mmr.procurement@undp.org. Procurement Unit will respond in writing or by standard electronic mail and will send written copies of the response, including an explanation of the query without identifying the source of inquiry, to all consultants.

BACKGROUND

UNDP supports countries around the world to formulate strategies, policies, and programme interventions that promote the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). To advance these aims, UNDP provides technical policy advice and programming tools, especially to help address critical sustainable development challenges.

UNDP country offices work closely with government counterparts and other national stakeholders to support the introduction of inclusive and sustainable development policies that are aligned with the national context. National economists based in country offices across the Asia-Pacific region contribute to this work, including through support to policy dialogue with government officials and other partners, assistance in programme development, and production of research and analysis. These colleagues also collaborate and share experiences and practices across countries inside and outside the Asia-Pacific region.

In Myanmar, UNDP's Country Programme (2018-2022) has two outcomes – governance and



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sustainable peace, and sustainable and inclusive growth. The Country Office is a key interlocutor and advisor to the Government of Myanmar on issues related to the two outcomes. The Country Programme has adopted an integrated approach to programming to better address the interlinkages between peacebuilding and social cohesion, governance, environment and natural resource management, resilience, urbanization and balanced and inclusive growth. In line with the principle of leaving no one behind, the programme also focuses on strengthening the ability of national counterparts to address the needs of the vulnerable, defined as those exposed to conflict/violence, climatic and disaster risks and those marginalized by inadequate economic opportunities and poor public service delivery. For implementation of the Country Programme, the Country Office is structured into five units including a Strategic Management Unit (SMU) and two Programme Teams: Governance for Sustainable Peace Unit, and Sustainable and Inclusive Growth Unit, through whom its programmes and projects in Myanmar are managed and supported.

UNDP Myanmar is recruiting a Development Economist to help contribute to its overall work programme. The Development Economist will support the country office by providing economic analysis and policy advice to management and government counterparts that favor inclusive development, including the integration of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs into national plans and activities. S/he will also work closely with the two Programme Teams and be responsible for helping develop large-scale development solutions and activities aimed at enhancing UNDP's programmatic support. The Development Economist is expected to contribute to knowledge generation through research and analysis, represent UNDP as required in policy discussions, and work closely with the Senior Management, SMU and Programme Teams as well as the regional network on SDG integration, acceleration, and innovation. The Development Economist will also work closely with the Conflict and Gender Specialist to ensure that overall cross-cutting issues are mainstreamed throughout the Country Office's programmes and projects.

The Development Economist will be based full-time in the UNDP Country Office in Yangon, with possible relocation to Nay Pyi Taw. Domestic and international travel may be required. S/he will work closely with Senior Management, the Programme and SMU teams in the Country Office, other Country Office Advisors and UNDP's key partners, including the private sector, and colleagues in the Bangkok Regional Hub (BRH). S/he will also collaborate with the Asia-Pacific regional network of country economists. This will include systematic engagement with and oversight from the lead regional economic advisors based in Bangkok and Beijing. S/he is also expected to develop and maintain a network of colleagues across development partner agencies, government institutions, the private sector, and civil society.

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

For detailed information, please see Terms of Reference.

3. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

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4. DOCUMENTS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN SUBMITTING THE PROPOSALS.

Interested persons are requested to submit the following documents as part of their application:

- a. Brief description/ cover letter of why the individual considers him/herself as the most suitable for the assignment. Please paste the letter into the 'Resume and Motivation' section of the electronic application;
- b. Duly accomplished Letter of Confirmation of Interest and Firm Indication of Availability using the template provided by UNDP;
- c. P11 Form indicating all relevant experience as well as the contact details (email and telephone number) of the candidate and at least three (3) professional references. Please use the P11 form provided by UNDP;
- d. Financial Proposal that indicates the daily fees as per the template provided by UNDP.

5. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

Fees

Financial Proposal that indicates the all-inclusive fixed total contract price, supported by a breakdown of costs, as per template provided. If an Offeror is employed by an organization/company/institution, and he/she expects his/her employer to charge a management fee in the process of releasing him/her to UNDP under Reimbursable Loan Agreement (RLA), the Offeror must indicate at this point, and ensure that all such costs are duly incorporated in the financial proposal submitted to UNDP.



Travels

All envisaged travel costs must be included in the financial proposal. This includes all travel to join duty station/repatriation travel. In general, UNDP will not accept travel costs exceeding those of an economy class ticket. In the case of unforeseeable travel, payment of travel costs including tickets, lodging and terminal expenses will be agreed upon, between the respective business unit and Individual Consultant, prior to travel and will be reimbursed. (Please see Template attached at Annex- 4)

6. EVALUATION

Education (10 points)

- Master's Degree in Economics, Econometrics, Statistics or equivalent.

Experience (50 points)

- 7 years of relevant development experience at the national or international level;
- Extensive experience in research and policy-level analysis;
- Direct experience providing technical advice to government officials;
- Experience in designing, monitoring and evaluating development projects;
- Experience using computers and office software packages, including programmes for statistical analysis of data;
- Knowledge of the SDGs and their application at the national level.

Language Requirements (10 points)

- Fluency in English while knowledge of Myanmar will be an asset.

Individual consultants will be evaluated based on the cumulative analysis of the technical evaluation (weight: 70%) and financial evaluation (weight: 30%). The technical evaluation will award a maximum of 70 points and consist of an evaluation of the CV+ cover letter (40 points) and a technical interview (30 points). Only candidates obtaining a minimum of 45 points from the technical evaluation will be considered for the financial evaluation.