INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE

2020/UNDP-MMR/PN/019

Date: 10 March 2020

Country: Myanmar

Description of the assignment: Green Business: Environmental Goods and Services Promotion

Type of Contract: Individual Contract (International)

Duty Station: Yangon (Must be an international expert, either based in Myanmar or prepared to spend significant time in Myanmar)

Period of assignment/services: 140 days (March to December 2020)

Proposal should be submitted to (either bids.mm@undp.org or UNDP Jobs site http://jobs.undp.org) no later than 23 March 2020, 24:00 hr (COB, YANGON). Email submission should state procurement notice number (2020/UNDP-MMR/PN/019) 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.

BACKGROUN

UNDP Myanmar has commenced implementation of its Country Programme for 2018-2022. Integrated programming has guided the design of the new programme in order to better address the inter-linkages between peace-building, governance, natural resource management and disaster resilience, inclusive growth, and the vertical linkages between subnational and national governance levels.

The Governance for Resilience and Sustainability Project (GRSP) leverages existing vertical funding and links up to horizontally and vertically with UNDP Country Programme key priority areas working at national and sub-national levels. GRSP is designed to help the Government of Myanmar (GoM) implement recent policy reforms related to environmental governance, climate change and disaster risk reduction (DRR), to ensure that economic growth in Myanmar is more inclusive, resilient and sustainable. The project recognises that environmental degradation, when combined with natural disasters and effects of climate change,
change, undermines the attainment of inclusive and sustainable growth. It also recognises that Myanmar’s environmental assets present unique opportunities for green economic development, which can directly support women’s economic empowerment and community resilience.

The increased emphasis on infrastructure and foreign direct investments in recent years require matching increases in environmental management and resilience. At the same time, the potential of green investments as wealth and employment generators needs to be supported and promoted by the GoM. The Union Government has promulgated a series of policies to address these challenges including the National Environmental Policy, Green Economy Policy Framework, Myanmar Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan, and Myanmar Action Plan on DRR. These policies now require enabling mechanisms for effective implementation and enforcement so that they deliver benefits for all people.

Over the 5-year period of the new CPD, GRSP aims to enable the GoM mainstream environment, climate change and DRR considerations into planning and project appraisal systems of at least three key sectors and three States and Regions. It will also support key counterparts implement the new policies, including by promoting an integrated environmental financing framework by helping develop comprehensive organisational and human resources development plans. GRSP also aims to help promote green investments in environmental goods and services to protect natural resources, minimize and manage waste more effectively, while simultaneously creating sustainable wealth and employment.

GRSP is engaging a specialist to lead (technically and managerially) the work with counterparts promoting green investments.

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

For detailed information, please see Terms of Reference.

4. DOCUMENTS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN SUBMITTING THE PROPOSALS.

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

1) **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

2) Duly accomplished **Letter of Confirmation of Interest and Availability** using the template provided by UNDP

3) **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

4) **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**

The following criteria shall serve as basis for evaluating offers:

**Combined Scoring Method:**
- Where the qualifications and methodology will be weighted a maximum of 70% and combined with the price offer which will be weighted a maximum of 30%

**Technical Evaluation of Proposals:**
- All applications comprising the information/documentation provided will be evaluated to ascertain the suitability of the applicants to carry out the assignment. Candidates who obtain the minimum of 49 points of the full mark (70 points) will be considered technically compliant and
their financial evaluations will be evaluated thereafter. Applications will be scored as per the following breakdown (Total 70 points):

- **Educational background:** 10 points
  - Masters degree in relevant field, including environmental economics or environmental policy.

- **Relevant Experience:** 55 points
  - At least 7 years of experience with research and writing in support of sustainable development policy reforms in developing countries (with an emphasis on green growth and investment highly desirable). (15 points)
  - Demonstrated understanding of the potential for green investment and green economic development to contribute to environmental and human development outcomes and of the structure and operation of investment incentives and disincentives. (15 points)
  - Experience working and knowledge of private sector and business approvals in Asia (with experience in Myanmar, including practical experience working with DICA and ECD, highly desirable). (10 points)
  - Demonstrated ability to conduct research in Myanmar. (5 points)
  - Demonstrated capacity to work in a consultative manner, good networking and capacity to deal well with people. (5 points)
  - Demonstrated ability to produce high-quality knowledge products. (5 points)

- **English language skills:** 5 points
  - Excellent command of written and spoken English

**Financial Evaluation of Proposals:**

- The financial proposals of all the applicants who pass the technical evaluation will be scored. The maximum 30 points will be allotted to the lowest financial bid, and all other bids shall receive points in inverse proportion to the lowest fee e.g. \[30 \text{ Points}] \times \frac{\text{USD lowest}}{\text{USD other}} = \text{points for other proposer’s fees.}\n
The contract shall be awarded to the applicant who receives the highest cumulative score.