Background:
The new United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) is currently being finalized between the Government of South Africa and the UN system in the country for the period 2020-2025. The Governments National Development Plan and accompanying Medium-Term Strategic Framework has guided the UNSDCF priorities and action for this period. The United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) is the core instrument for articulating, planning, implementing, monitoring and evaluating the United Nation’s role in achieving collectively owned development results under 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. As the most important UN planning and implementation instrument at the country level, it governs all programming efforts of the UN Country Team (UNCT).

The roadmap to finalising the UNSDCF in its entirety has been delayed by the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Across the African continent, South Africa has the highest number of reported cases of the COVID-19 virus, with 7,808 infected persons and 153 reported deaths as at 06 May 2020.

For the past three months, the United Nations has been collaborating with Government, the business community, civil society organizations and international development actors to identify gaps and sustainable solutions in responding to the pandemic.

The UN recognizes that in order to effectively mitigate against, and manage the impact of COVID-19, there must be strategic coordination among the stakeholders involved, to ensure optimal use of resources, and avoid duplication. The response efforts also require strong engagement and mobilization of marginalized and particularly vulnerable populations, including women, children, adolescent girls, youth, persons living with disabilities, refugees, regular and irregular migrants, persons living with HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, older persons, persons in detention or in institutionalized settings, and people in informal settlements, among others.

The Government has explicitly identified areas in which the support of the United Nations would add strategic value, ranging from health, food security, education, water and sanitation, protection, gender-based violence prevention and support, and livelihoods. The UN team has subsequently launched a Flash Appeal to assist with the urgent Humanitarian needs of the most vulnerable people in South Africa.

2. Purpose

In this context, the RCO and UNCT seeks a consultant to support the UN System South Africa in resource mobilization strategy and dedicated coordination support for the UN SA Flash Appeal and the UNSDCF.
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

A. **Key Deliverables**

1. **Provide support to Partnerships Officer on the development and implementation of the UN Partnership Strategy in alignment with and support of the UNSDCF**

   - Develop UNSDCF Framework to attract, manage and deploy funds
     - Determine desirability/feasibility of innovating a new “SPV” framework. This will include determining the ‘innovation boundaries’ of new SPV within UN modalities. “SPV” is used here as a placeholder descriptor and does not presume the legal, operational or any other characteristic of the intervention. The “SPV” must however be mission appropriate as described below (See: “The Framework must”)
     - Propose framework for RC and UNCT review and approval
       - The Framework must:
         - Adhere to the UN’s relevant governance and administrative norms (procurement, fund management, partnerships, etc)
         - Be suitable for a broad range of resource mobilization initiatives including the UNSDCF and Covid-19 Flash Appeal.
         - Be viable and feasible within current resource realities.
     - Draft and submit for approval:
       - An integrated SPV “narrative” reflective of UN Reform, UNSDCF and UN SA Office and Agencies. The objective of the narrative will be to provide a compelling proposition for role-players both internally (Agencies, great UN system) and externally (donors, stakeholders, board, etc.)
       - Where possible, this will include campaigns incorporating initiatives within the Decade of Action.

2. **Secure partnerships to further UNSDCF and Flash Appeal objectives:**

   - Identify requisite resources to establish the “SPV” (Funding, accounting, legal, governance, technical, etc.)
   - Identify resources to contribute to COVID-19 Flash Appeal (Focussing on private sector, philanthropic and donor community and per RCO’s current directive.)
     - Targets:
       - 10 Private sector partners.
       - 10 high-network partnerships for Flash Appeal.
       - 10 high net worth individuals to form part of the philanthropy / donor platform.
       - Up to 20 top research and academic institutions to support with data on areas identified in the UNSDCF.
   - Note – Relevant ToR and MoUs must be drafted for the above for the duration of the UNSDCF (2020-2025)

3. **Additionally, the Consultant will assist and support the Partnerships Advisor with the following:**

   I. Mapping existing partnerships with UN SA agencies. Due end May to mid-June.
   II. Identifying and matching at least two lead private sector partners for each strategic objective. Due end July.
   III. Draft MoU between each partner and the UN system. Due end July.
   IV. Implementation of the Partnerships Consultative Forums (Private Sector, Civil Society Organisations, Philanthropy and Donors, and Academic and Research Institutions). Launched by end July – mid August.
   V. Convening sectors consultations (online meetings). Launch all consultative sectors by end July 2020.
   VI. Assist with drafting ToRs for each sector for the duration (2020-2025).

B. **Education**
• Advanced degree in Communications, International Development, Management, Social Policy, Medicine, International Relations, International Development or related field.

C. **Required Competencies**

• Values: Exemplifying integrity, Demonstrating commitment to the UN system;
• Embracing cultural diversity, Embracing change

D. **Core Competencies:**

• Achieving results; Being accountable; Developing and applying professional expertise/business acumen;
• Thinking analytically and strategically; Working in teams/managing ourselves and our relationships,
• Communicating for impact

E. **Required Skillset:**

• Demonstrates political/cultural acumen in proposing Building strategic alliances and partnerships
• Resource mobilization - Contributes to the development of a resource mobilization strategy
• Languages: Fluency in English is required.

**EVALUATION AND AWARD**

**The contract will be awarded to the least costly technical qualified individual whose proposal must attain a minimum technical score of 70%**

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**Submission:**

The deadline for submission is on or before the 22nd May 2020.