Terms of Reference Ref: PN/FJI/070/20

Consultancy Title: Terminal Evaluation (TE) for the Integrating Global Environmental Priorities into Kiribati's National Policies and Programmes – Kiribati Cross-Cutting Capacity Development Project, (PIMS #: 4936)

Project Name: Integrating Global Environmental Priorities into Kiribati's National Policies and Programmes – Kiribati Cross-Cutting Capacity Development Project, (PIMS #: 4936)

Duty Station: Home based with mission travel (pending on the current restrictions) to the Environment and Conservation Division in Tarawa, Kiribati.

Duration of the Contract: Up to 25 working days starting on Friday, 17th August and ending on 30th September 2020

Consultancy Proposal (CV & Financial proposal Template) should be uploaded on UNDP Jobshop website(https://jobs.undp.org/cj_view_jobs.cfm?cur_rgn_id_c=RAS) no later than 7th August 2020 (Fiji Time) clearly stating the title of consultancy applied for. Any proposals received after this date/time will not be accepted. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic communication to procurement.fj@undp.org. UNDP 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. Incomplete, late and joint proposals will not be considered and only offers for which there is further interest will be contacted. Failure to submit your application as stated as per the application submission guide (Procurement Notice) on the above link will be considered incomplete and therefore application will not be considered.

NOTE:

Proposals must be sent through UNDP job shop web page. Candidates need to upload their CV and financial proposal -using UNDP template

- 1. Daily rate to be inclusive of Medical insurance cost for the duration of the contract
- 2. Selected Candidate will be required to submit a proof of medical insurance prior to issuance of contract
- 3. If the selected/successful Candidate is over 65 years of age and required to travel outside his home country; He/She will be required provide a full medical report at their expense prior to issuance to contract. Contract will only be issued when Proposed candidate is deemed medically fit to undertake the assignment.

BACKGROUND

Introduction

In accordance with UNDP and GEF M&E policies and procedures, all full- and medium-sized UNDP-supported GEF-financed projects are required to undergo a Terminal Evaluation (TE) at the end of the project. This Terms of Reference (ToR) sets out the expectations for the TE of the medium-sized project titled Terminal Evaluation (TE) for the "Integrating Global Environmental Priorities into Kiribati's National Policies and Programmes" (PIMS #: 4936) implemented through the UNDP/Department of Environment, Ministry of Waterways and Environment. The project started on the 1st of January 2015 and was in its 4th year of implementation when it operationally closed on the 2nd of November 2019. The TE process must follow the guidance outlined in the document 'Guidance for Conducting Terminal Evaluations of UNDP-Supported, GEF-Financed Projects' (E-link).

Project Description

The project was designed to: improve information management and compliance monitoring in order to achieve global environmental benefits. This objective will be achieved through two components/outcomes:

The development of an operational environmental management information system (EMIS) providing
accurate and timely information: Under this outcome, project resources will be used to develop a
comprehensive Environmental Management Information System (EMIS) at the Environment and
Conservation Division that serves to create new and improved environmental data and information. This

EMIS will be developed through active collaboration and coordination with work programmes of key stakeholder agencies, research institutions, and other non-government organizations as appropriate to ensure the generation, collection, exchange and distribution of the required data and information. The EMIS will also be accompanied by improved capacities to generate and use new and improved data and information for policy and planning purposes and training will be provided to strengthen institutional and staff capacities to use best practice methodologies in data collection and analysis for environmental mainstreaming and environmental protection and management in the face of global climate change.

2. The development of a compliance monitoring system (CMS) tracking key environmental indicators: The project will support the development of a compliance monitoring system (CMS). It will include the identification of a set of environmental indicators that will provide information on the state of the environment in Kiribati, including the drafting of national reports to international conventions. The CMS would be used as part of the learning and re-tooling (i.e., adaptive collaborative management) of programmes and plans to ensure that their implementation proceed as planned to deliver the agreed-upon objectives and expected outcomes. Under this outcome, the project will support the development of capacities to monitor and report on progress made towards achieving Rio Conventions commitments, and to feed that information to planners and decision-makers.

Concerning Kiribati's COVID-19 context, there is a zero count on infection. Despite the zero count status of COVID-19, Kiribati's economy has been impacted. The impacts are felt in the tourism industry and hampered global supply chains. Lately, air travel within the country has been facing cancellation and delays. Overall, to overcome some of these challenges, the Kiribati Government is moving to fully engage in e-commerce and develop its digital economy.

Project Summary Table							
Project Inte	grating Global Environmental Priorities into Ki CCCD	ribati's National P Project	olicies and Progra	mmes – Kiribati			
GEF Project ID:	5130		<u>at</u> <u>endorsement</u> (Million US\$)	at completion (Million US\$)			
UNDP Project ID:	Atlas Award: 00083621 Atlas Output: 00092010 PIMS # 4936	GEF financing:	0.5	0.377			
Country:	Republic of Kiribati	IA/EA own:	0.03 (in kind)	TBD @ TE			
Region:	Asia & Pacific	Government:	0.5 (in kind)	TBD @ TE			
Focal Area:	Multi-Focal Areas	Other:	Not applicable	Not applicable			
FA Objectives, (OP/SP):	CD2 To generate, access and use information and knowledge CD5 To enhance capacities to monitor and evaluate environmental impacts and trends	Total co- financing:	0.53	TBD @ TE			
Executing Agency:	Environment and Conservation Division (ECD), Ministry of Environment, Lands and Agriculture Development (MELAD)	Total Project Cost:	1.03	TBD @ TE			
	Ministry of Internal Affairs	ProDoc Signati	ure (date project began):	5 rd March 2015			
Other Partners involved:	 Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Development; Ministry of Finance and Economic Development; Ministry of Information, Communications, Transport and Tourism Development; Kiribati Institute College; Kiribati Oil Limited and; Kiribati Coconut Development Limited 	(Operational) Closing Date:	Proposed: 5 rd March 2018	Actual: 2 November 2019			

Terminal Evaluation Purpose

The TE report will assess the achievement of project results against what was expected to be achieved and draw lessons that can both improve the sustainability of benefits from this project, and aid in the overall enhancement of UNDP programming. Specifically, the TE will need to:

- i. assess the effectiveness of the project in developing the technical skills to collect data and transform these information into knowledge at:
 - the individual level and;
 - the organizational level
- ii. assess the project's contribution to developing a holistic framework of monitoring and evaluation systems that strengthens the institutionalisation of lessons learnt and best practises from interventions to decision-makers and policy makers;
- iii. assess the project's contribution to the collection, collation, analysis of environmental data and making these environment information available to local level stakeholders to understand complex dynamic nature of global environmental problems and to assist in developing local solutions and;
- iv. assess the project's contribution in building the Government of Kiribati's capacity to monitor and evaluate environmental programs that assists in putting together comprehensive national reports to fulfil the government's obligation to the multi-lateral environmental agreement (MEA).

The TE report promotes accountability and transparency and assesses the extent of project accomplishments.

Terminal Evaluation Objectives and Scope

The objectives of the evaluation are to

- assess the achievement of project results supported by evidence (i.e. progress of project's outcome targets),
- assess the contribution and alignment of the project to relevant national development plan or environmental policies;
- assess the contribution of the project results towards the relevant outcome and output of the Sub Regional Programme Document (SRPD) & United Nation Pacific Strategy (UNPS/UNDAF)
- assess any cross cutting and gender issues
- examination on the use of funds and value for money
- and to draw lessons that can both improve the sustainability of benefits from this project, and aid in the overall enhancement of UNDP programming.

Terminal Evaluation Approach and Method

The evaluator is expected to frame the evaluation effort using the criteria of **relevance**, **effectiveness**, **efficiency**, **sustainability**, **and impact**, as defined and explained in the <u>UNDP Guidance for Conducting Terminal Evaluations of UNDP-supported, GEF-financed Projects.</u>

The TE report must provide evidence-based information that is credible, reliable and useful.

The TE team will review all relevant sources of information including documents prepared during the preparation phase (i.e. PIF, UNDP Initiation Plan, UNDP Social and Environmental Screening Procedure/SESP) the Project Document, project reports including annual PIRs, project budget revisions, lesson learned reports, national strategic and legal documents, and any other materials that the team considers useful for this evidence-based evaluation. The TE team will review the baseline and midterm GEF focal area Core Indicators/Tracking Tools submitted to the GEF at the CEO endorsement and midterm stages and the terminal Core Indicators/Tracking Tools that must be completed before the TE field mission begins.

The TE team is expected to follow a participatory and consultative approach ensuring close engagement with the Project Team, government counterparts (the GEF Operational Focal Point), Implementing Partners, the UNDP Country Office(s), the Regional Technical Advisor, direct beneficiaries and other stakeholders.

Engagement of stakeholders is vital to a successful TE. Stakeholder involvement should include interviews with stakeholders who have project responsibilities, including but not limited to (list); executing agencies, senior officials and task team/component leaders, key experts and consultants in the subject area, Project Board, project beneficiaries, academia, local government and CSOs, etc. Additionally, the TE team is expected to conduct field missions to (locations), including the following project sites (list). (Adjust text if a mission will not take place. Describe the virtual tools that will be used. See additional text suggestions below.)

The specific design and methodology for the TE should emerge from consultations between the TE team and the above-mentioned parties regarding what is appropriate and feasible for meeting the TE purpose and objectives and answering the evaluation questions, given limitations of budget, time and data. The TE team must, however, use gender-responsive methodologies and tools and ensure that gender equality and women's empowerment, as well as other cross-cutting issues and SDGs are incorporated into the TE report.

The final methodological approach including interview schedule, field visits and data to be used in the evaluation must be clearly outlined in the TE Inception Report and be fully discussed and agreed between UNDP, stakeholders and the TE team.

An overall approach and method for conducting project terminal evaluations of UNDP supported GEF financed projects has developed over time. The evaluator is expected to frame the evaluation effort using the criteria of relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, sustainability, and impact, as defined and explained in the UNDP Guidance for Conducting Terminal Evaluations of UNDP-supported, GEF-financed Projects

1. Interviews using standard questionnaire

A set of standard questions covering each of these criteria have been drafted and are included with this TOR (Annex C) The evaluator is expected to amend, complete and submit this matrix as part of an evaluation inception report, and shall include it as an annex to the final report. In cases of remote engagement due to COVID-19, the questionnaire will be shared in advance with interviewees.

The evaluation must provide evidence-based information that is credible, reliable and useful. The evaluator is expected to follow a participatory and consultative approach ensuring close engagement with government counterparts, in particular the GEF operational focal point, UNDP Country Office, project team, UNDP GEF Technical Adviser based in the region and key stakeholders.

2. In country field mission or remote engagement and validation

The evaluator is expected to remotely engage the implementing stakeholders within the Republic of Kiribati, these are:

- i) the Environment and Conservation Division of MELAD (the main implementing partner), in Bikenibiu, South Tarawa;
- ii) Ministry of Internal Affairs, Bairiki, Tarawa;
- iii) Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Development, Bairiki, Tarawa;
- iv) Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Bairiki, Tarawa;
- v) Ministry of Information, Communications, Transport and Tourism Development, Bairiki, Tarawa:
- vi) Kiribati Institute College, Betio, Tarawa;
- vii) Kiribati Oil Limited, Betio, Tarawa

Interviews will be held with the following organizations listed above with their focal points/liaison individuals at a minimum.

3. Remote engagement with stakeholders

The evaluator will consult with interviewee or key stakeholders on which virtual tool the interviewee is more comfortable with (zoom, skype, whatsapp, telephone etc). Interviews by telephone, rather than VOIP, may be more acceptable and reliable in some circumstances.

Consider developing interviews with smaller groups, 1-2 people to ensure all voices are heard. Consider overcoming time differences and support in country interviews.

4. Literature/Desktop review

The evaluator will review all relevant sources of information, such as the project document, project reports – including Annual APR, project budget revisions, progress reports, GEF focal area tracking tools, project files, national strategic and legal documents, and any other materials that the evaluator considers useful for this evidence-based assessment. A list of documents that the project team will provide to the evaluator for review is included in Annex B of this Terms of Reference. Also, to explore a wider range of documentation for extended desk reviews including internal operational data (BTOR etc), evaluations reports from UN agencies and donors, as well as information from non-traditional sources eg. Social media etc;

5. Analysis and reporting

Data collated will be analyzed and presented based on the evaluation criteria and ratings. Analysis will be provided in matric, tables to be best present findings and key recommendations. Reporting to be conducted in RBM (results based management) approach.

6. Presentation of final draft to country office and stakeholders

The final TE report should describe the full TE approach taken and the rationale for the approach making explicit the underlying assumptions, challenges, strengths and weaknesses about the methods and approach of the evaluation.

As of 11 March 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 a global pandemic as the new coronavirus rapidly spread to all regions of the world. Travel restrictions to Kiribati has been since 18th of March. Therefore, the evaluator should develop a methodology that takes into account the remote conduction of the TE. This should include the use of remote interview methods and extended desk reviews, data analysis, surveys and evaluation questionnaires. This should be detailed in the TE Inception Report and agreed with the Commissioning Unit.

If all or part of the TE is to be carried out virtually then consideration should be taken for stakeholder availability, ability or willingness to be interviewed remotely. In addition, their accessibility to the internet/computer may be an issue as many government and national counterparts may be working from home. These limitations must be reflected in the final TE report.

If a data collection/field mission is not possible then remote interviews may be undertaken through telephone or online (skype, zoom etc.). International consultants can work remotely with national evaluator support in the field if it is safe for them to operate and travel. No stakeholders, consultants or UNDP staff should be put in harm's way and safety is the key priority.

A short validation mission may be considered if it is confirmed to be safe for staff, consultants, stakeholders and if such a mission is possible within the TE schedule. Equally, qualified and independent national consultants can be hired to undertake the TE and interviews in country as long as it is safe to do so.

Detailed Scope of the Terminal Evaluation

An assessment of project performance will be carried out, based against expectations set out in the Project Logical Framework/Results Framework (see <u>Annex A</u>), which provides performance and impact indicators for project implementation along with their corresponding means of verification. The evaluation will at a minimum covering the criteria of: **relevance**, **effectiveness**, **efficiency**, **sustainability and impact**. Ratings must be provided on the following performance criteria. The completed table must be included in the evaluation executive summary. The obligatory rating scales are included in <u>Annex D</u>.

Evaluation Ratings:						
1. Monitoring and Evaluation	rating	2. IA& EA Execution	rating			
M&E design at entry		Quality of UNDP Implementation				
M&E Plan Implementation		Quality of Execution - Executing Agency				
Overall quality of M&E		Overall quality of Implementation / Execution				
3. Assessment of Outcomes	rating	4. Sustainability	rating			
Relevance		Financial resources:				

Effectiveness	Socio-political:	
Efficiency	Institutional framework and governance:	
Overall Project Outcome Rating	Environmental:	
	Overall likelihood of sustainability:	

The Findings section of the TE report will cover the topics listed below.

A full outline of the TE report's content is provided in ToR Annex C.

The asterisk "(*)" indicates criteria for which a rating is required.

Findings

i. Project Design/Formulation

- National priorities and country driven-ness
- Theory of Change
- Gender equality and women's empowerment
- Social and Environmental Safeguards
- Analysis of Results Framework: project logic and strategy, indicators
- Assumptions and Risks
- Lessons from other relevant projects (e.g. same focal area) incorporated into project design
- Planned stakeholder participation
- Linkages between project and other interventions within the sector
- Management arrangements

ii. Project Implementation

- Adaptive management (changes to the project design and project outputs during implementation)
- Actual stakeholder participation and partnership arrangements
- Project Finance and Co-finance
- Monitoring & Evaluation: design at entry (*), implementation (*), and overall assessment of M&E (*)
- Implementing Agency (UNDP) (*) and Executing Agency (*), overall project oversight/implementation
 and execution (*)
- Risk Management, including Social and Environmental Standards

iii. Project Results

- Assess the achievement of outcomes against indicators by reporting on the level of progress for each
 objective and outcome indicator at the time of the TE and noting final achievements
- Relevance (*), Effectiveness (*), Efficiency (*) and overall project outcome (*)
- Sustainability: financial (*) , socio-political (*), institutional framework and governance (*), environmental (*), overall likelihood of sustainability (*)
- Country ownership
- Gender equality and women's empowerment
- Cross-cutting issues (poverty alleviation, improved governance, climate change mitigation and adaptation, disaster prevention and recovery, human rights, capacity development, South-South cooperation, knowledge management, volunteerism, etc., as relevant)
- GEF Additionality
- Catalytic Role / Replication Effect
- Progress to impact

iv. Main Findings, Conclusions, Recommendations and Lessons Learned

- The TE team will include a summary of the main findings of the TE report. Findings should be presented as statements of fact that are based on analysis of the data.
- The section on conclusions will be written in light of the findings. Conclusions should be comprehensive and balanced statements that are well substantiated by evidence and logically connected to the TE findings. They should highlight the strengths, weaknesses and results of the project, respond to key evaluation questions and provide insights into the identification of and/or solutions to important problems or issues pertinent to project beneficiaries, UNDP and the GEF, including issues in relation to gender equality and women's empowerment.

- Recommendations should provide concrete, practical, feasible and targeted recommendations directed to
 the intended users of the evaluation about what actions to take and decisions to make. The
 recommendations should be specifically supported by the evidence and linked to the findings and
 conclusions around key questions addressed by the evaluation.
- The TE report should also include lessons that can be taken from the evaluation, including best and worst practices in addressing issues relating to relevance, performance and success that can provide knowledge gained from the particular circumstance (programmatic and evaluation methods used, partnerships, financial leveraging, etc.) that are applicable to other GEF and UNDP interventions. When possible, the TE team should include examples of good practices in project design and implementation.
- It is important for the conclusions, recommendations and lessons learned of the TE report to include results related to gender equality and empowerment of women.

The TE report will include an Evaluation Ratings Table, as shown in the ToR Annex.

Project finance / co-finance

The Evaluation will assess the key financial aspects of the project, including the extent of co-financing planned and realized. Project cost and funding data will be required, including annual expenditures. Variances between planned and actual expenditures will need to be assessed and explained. Results from recent financial audits, as available, should be taken into consideration. The evaluator(s) will receive assistance from the Country Office (CO) and Project Team to obtain financial data in order to complete the co-financing table below, which will be included in the terminal evaluation report.

Co-financing		vn financing II. US\$)		ernment II. US\$)	Partner Agency (mill. US\$)			Total nill. US\$)	
(type/source)	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	
Grants	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Loans/ Concessions	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
• In-kind support	0.03	TBD @ TE	0.5	TBD @ TE	NA	NA	0.53	TBD @ TE	
• Other	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Totals	0.03	TBD @ TE	0.5	TBD @ TE	NA	NA	1.03	TBD @ TE	

Kindly note that:

- NA simply means 'Not Applicable'
- TBD @ TE simply means 'To be determined during the terminal evaluation'

Mainstreaming

UNDP supported GEF financed projects are key components in UNDP country programming, as well as regional and global programmes. The evaluation will assess the extent to which the project was successfully mainstreamed with other UNDP priorities, including poverty alleviation, improved governance, the prevention and recovery from natural disasters, and gender.

Impact

The evaluators will assess the extent to which the project is achieving impacts or progressing towards the achievement of impacts. Key findings that should be brought out in the evaluations include whether the project has demonstrated: a) verifiable improvements in ecological status, b) verifiable reductions in stress on ecological systems, and/or c) demonstrated progress towards these impact achievements.¹

Conclusions, recommendations & lessons

The evaluation report must include a chapter providing a set of conclusions, recommendations and lessons.

Implementation arrangements

¹ A useful tool for gauging progress to impact is the Review of Outcomes to Impacts (ROtI) method developed by the GEF Evaluation Office: ROTI Handbook 2009

The principal responsibility for managing this evaluation resides with the UNDP CO in Fiji. The UNDP Fiji CO will contract the evaluator and ensure the timely payments as per the satisfactory deliverables submitted by her/him. The Project Team will be responsible for liaising with the evaluator to set up stakeholder interviews, arrange field visits, coordinate with the Government etc.

Terminal Evaluation Timeframe

The total duration of the evaluation will be 25 days according to the following plan:

TE Activity	Timing	Completion Date
Preparation	2 days	18 August 2020
Inception Report	3 days	21 August 2020
Evaluation Mission (Remote Engagement)	10 days	From 26 August to 8 September 2020
Draft Evaluation Report	5 days	15 September 2020
Final Report	5 days	30 September 2020

Evaluation Output and Deliverables

The evaluation team is expected to deliver the following:

Deliverable	Content	Timing	Responsibilities	
Inception Report	Evaluator provides clarifications on timing and method	No later than 2 weeks before the evaluation mission. Approximate due date: 21 August 2020	Evaluator submits to UNDP CO	
Presentation	Initial Findings	End of evaluation mission Approximate due date: 10 September 2020	To project management, UNDP CO	
Draft Final Report	Full report, (per annexed template) with annexes	Two (2) weeks after the evaluation mission Approximate due date: 15 September 2020	Sent to CO, reviewed by RTA, PCU, GEF OFPs	
Final Report*	Revised report	Within 1 week of receiving UNDP comments on draft Approximate due date: 30 September 2020	Sent to CO for uploading to UNDP ERC.	

^{*}When submitting the final evaluation report, the evaluator is required also to provide an 'audit trail', detailing how all received comments have (and have not) been addressed in the final evaluation report.

Team Composition

The consultant shall have prior experience in evaluating similar projects. Experience with GEF financed projects is an advantage. The evaluator selected should not have participated in the project preparation and/or implementation and should not have conflict of interest with project related activities.

Evaluator Ethics

Evaluation consultants will be held to the highest ethical standards and are required to sign a Code of Conduct (Annex E) upon acceptance of the assignment. UNDP evaluations are conducted in accordance with the principles outlined in the <u>UNEG 'Ethical Guidelines for Evaluations'</u>

Resources Provided

- All costs associated with the delivery of this work based on work plans submitted detailing all activities to achieve delivery and timeline.
- Ground transportation to facilitate in-country meetings and consultation will be facilitated only if included in the financial proposal.
- Travel cost to the countries will be facilitated only if included in the financial proposal.
- Visit to stakeholders will be supported by the Project Management Unit (PMU).

Supervision/Reporting

The consultant will be under the direct supervision and will report to the UNDP Fiji Multi-Country Office (MCO).

Requirement for Qualifications & Experience

Education:

- A Master's degree in M&E, environment, development studies, or other closely related field.
 Work Experiences:
- Minimum 7 years of relevant professional experience in the area of Development, Environment and Sustainable Development with required technical knowledge in the targeted GEF focal areas: Multi-Focal Areas and Cross Cutting Capacity Development for MEAs
- Minimum of 5 years of project evaluation and/or implementation experience in the result-based management framework and adaptive management, with proven accomplishments in undertaking evaluation for international organizations, preferably with UNDP-GEF
- Knowledge of UNDP and GEF Monitoring and Evaluation Policies
- Excellent English Writing and reporting skills (present at least 3 references of documents prepared).
- Good communication skills and positive interrelation.

Proposal Requirements

Technical Proposal

- CV
- Statement of how applicant meets requirement
- Names/Contacts of 3 referees

Financial Proposal

- Applicants must send a financial proposal based on a Lump Sum Amount. The total amount quoted shall be all-inclusive and include all costs components required to perform the deliverables identified in the TOR, including professional fee for 25 working days, travel costs, living allowance (if travel restrictions are eased then the days of mission to Kiribati, the 26th August 8th September, 2020 should be included) and any other applicable cost to be incurred by the Individual Consultant in completing the assignment. The contract price will be fixed output-based price regardless of extension of the herein specified duration. Payments will be done upon completion of the deliverables/outputs.
- In general, UNDP shall not accept travel costs exceeding those of an economy class ticket. Should the Individual Consultant wish to travel on a higher class he/she should do so using their own resources.

Travel:

- Mission travel pending on the easing of the current international travel restrictions, will be required, which is a maximum of 12 travel days (inclusive of travel). Ten (10) of these are working days spent with the Environment and Conservation Division.
- The <u>Advanced and Basic Security in the Field II courses</u> must be successfully completed <u>prior</u> to commencement of travel;
- Individual Consultants are responsible for ensuring they have vaccinations/inoculations when travelling to certain countries, as designated by the <u>UN Medical Director</u>;
- Consultants are responsible for obtaining any visas and security clearances needed in connection with travel with the necessary support from UNDP;
- The Consultant is required to comply with the UN security directives set forth under https://dss.un.org/dssweb/;
- The consultant will be responsible for making his/her own mission travel arrangements in line with <u>UNDP</u> travel policies;
- All related travel expenses will be supported by UNDP funds and will be reimbursed as per UNDP rules and regulations for consultants. Costs for mission airfares, terminal expenses, insurance, and living allowances should not be included in financial proposal;
- Financial proposal to be submitted separate from Technical proposal.

Payment Schedule (if required):

Payments will be done upon completion of the deliverables in the table below:

%	Milestone
10%	At contract signing
40%	Following submission and approval of the 1st draft terminal evaluation report

50%	Following submission and approval (UNDP-CO and UNDP RTA) of the final terminal evaluation
	report

Evaluation

- Cumulative analysis
- The proposals will be evaluated using the cumulative analysis method with a split 70% technical and 30% financial scoring. The proposal with the highest cumulative scoring will be awarded the contract. Applications will be evaluated technically, and points are attributed based on how well the proposal meets the requirements of the Terms of Reference using the guidelines detailed in the table below:
- When using this weighted scoring method, the award of the contract may be made to the individual consultant whose offer has been evaluated and determined as:
- a) responsive/compliant/acceptable, and
- b) having received the highest score out of a pre-determined set of weighted technical and financial criteria specific to the solicitation.
- * Technical Criteria weighting; 70%
- * Financial Criteria weighting; 30%
- Only candidates obtaining a minimum of 49 points in the Technical Evaluation would be considered for the Financial Evaluation. Interviews may be conducted as part of technical assessment for shortlisted proposals.

Criteria	Percentage
Qualification	
A Master's degree in M&E, environment, development studies, or other closely related field	15%
Experience	
Minimum 7 years of relevant professional experience in the area of Development, Environment and Sustainable Development with required technical knowledge in the targeted GEF focal areas: Multi-Focal Areas and Cross Cutting Capacity Development for MEAs	20%
Minimum of 5 years of project evaluation and/or implementation experience in the result-based management framework and adaptive management, with proven accomplishments in undertaking evaluation for international organizations, preferably with UNDP-GEF	15%
Knowledge of UNDP and GEF Monitoring and Evaluation Policies.	10%
Excellent English Writing and reporting skills (present at least 3 references of documents prepared).	5%
Good communication skills and positive interrelation.	5%
Technical Criteria	70%
**If necessary, interviews shall also be conducted as part of the technical evaluation to ascertain best value for money.	
Financial Criteria – Lowest Price	30%
Total	100%

Offerors must send the following documents.

- a) Letter of Confirmation of Interest and Availability using the template² provided by UNDP;
- b) Detailed CV;
- c) Financial Proposal that indicates the all-inclusive fixed total contract price.
- d) Breakdown of costs must be provided as per template attached to the <u>Letter of Confirmation of Interest template</u>. If an applicant 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 applicant must indicate at this point, and ensure that all such costs are duly incorporated in the financial proposal submitted to UNDP.
- e) Completed template for confirmation of Interest and Submission of Financial Proposal
 - Applicants must send a financial proposal based on a Lump Sum Amount. The total amount quoted shall be all-inclusive and include all costs components required to perform the deliverables identified in the TOR, including professional fee (inclusive of Medical insurance), travel costs, living allowance (if any work is to be done outside the Individual Consultant's duty station) and any other applicable cost to be incurred by the Individual Consultant in completing the assignment. The contract price will be fixed output-based price regardless of extension of the herein specified duration. Payments will be done upon completion of the deliverables/outputs.
- f) Note: All travel expenses to the country (such as flight ticket, per diem, etc) will be based on reimbursement. In general, UNDP shall not accept travel cost exceeding those of an economy class ticket. Should the applicant wish to travel on class he/she should do sousing their own resources. In the event of unforeseeable travel not anticipated in this TOR, payment of travel costs including tickets, lodging and terminal expenses should be agreed upon, between the respective business unit and the Individual Consultant, prior to travel and will be reimbursed.

Template for confirmation of interest and Submission of Financial Proposal is available under the procurement section of UNDP Pacific Office in Fiji website (www.pacific.undp.org)

For any clarification regarding this assignment please write to procurement.fj@undp.org

Women candidates are encouraged to apply.

*The Fiji Office covers Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu

²https://intranet.undp.org/unit/bom/pso/Support%20documents%20on%20IC%20Guidelines/Template%20for%20Confirmation%20of%20Interest%20and%20Submission%20of%20Financial%20Proposal.docx

Annex A: Project Logical Framework

Objectives and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline	Targets End of Project	Source of verification	Risks and Assumptions	Status to Date (Ratings will be based on the scales of ANNEX D)	Justifications of Ratings
Objective: To improve information management and compliance monitoring in order to achieve global environmental benefits.	1. ECD stated as the primary source for environmental information in Kiribati by a significant number of national, regional and international development partners	Capacity of the main stakeholders for translating environmental information from EMIS into decision-making is low and dispersed over many organizations	• 50% of stakeholders have benefitted from capacity development activities for better use of this information in decision-making and policy-making	Reference to ECD-EMIS in project documents; national strategies, programmes and plans; national assessments State of the environmental reports and communications /national reports sent to Conventions	Risk: • Political will to provide ECD with the necessary resources to sustain the EMIS and the CMS Assumption: MELAD will support ECD and provide it with necessary resources	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry
	2. Reported availability of better environmental monitoring information	Collection and use of up-to-date environmental management information is ad-hoc and feebly coordinated	Up-to-date environmental information is being used by policy-makers and also by the public	 Information products such as newsletters, flyers, articles, etc. Policies referring to this new environmental information 	Risk: New information is not used and stays stored in computers at ECD Assumption: Better environmental information is readily available and actively utilized and used	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry
	3. Quality of monitoring reports and communication s to measure implementation	Current reports are produced with limited data, weak analysis and weak trend analysis	 Reports present adequate disaggregated data at local level, are informative and present 	 ECD reports Environmental reports such as the State of Environment and Communications 	Risk:Communications and national reports are not submitted on timeAssumption:	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in- country	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in- country

Objectives and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline	Targets End of Project	Source of verification	Risks and Assumptions	Status to Date (Ratings will be based on the scales of ANNEX D)	Justifications of Ratings
	progress of the Rio Conventions	 There are not fully responding to the national and international requirements. 	environmental trends over time	to the Conventions	Communications and national reports are submitted on time and include information stored in the EMIS		
	4. Capacity development scorecard rating	Capacity for: Engagement: 3 of 9 Generate, access and use information and knowledge: 6 of 15 Policy and legislation development: 3 of 9 Management and implementation: 3 of 6 Monitor and evaluate: 1 of 6 (total score: 16/45)	Capacity for: Engagement: 6 of 9 Generate, access and use information and knowledge: 10 of 15 Policy and legislation development: 7 of 9 Management and implementation: 5 of 6 Monitor and evaluate: 4 of 6 (total targeted score: 32/45)	Mid-term review and final evaluation reports, including an updated CD scorecard Annual PIRs Capacity assessment reports	Risk: • Project activities and resources do not translate in increasing the capacity of ECD to provide better environmental information Assumption: The project is effective in developing the capacity in the area of information management	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in- country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry
Outcome 1: An operational environmental management information system (EMIS) providing accurate and	5. An environmental data repository architecture in place	No data architecture is in place to structure environmental information at ECD	Environmental data is stored in a structured way and easily accessible	Technical reportPIRsWeb pages	Risk: • Lack of relevant expertise in local market may result in delay of required outputs and distortion of targeted deadlines Assumption:	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in- country	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in- country

Objectives and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline	Targets End of Project	Source of verification	Risks and Assumptions	Status to Date (Ratings will be based on the scales of ANNEX D)	Justifications of Ratings
timely information. Output 1.1: An environmental data repository with standards, norms and protocols to collect, analyze, store and make available accurate, and reliable environmental information related to all three Rio Conventions, and of direct use by decision-	6. Information technologies in place to store the data repository	Limited technology is in place to support data management for an EMIS	Hardware, communication and networking equipment is in place to store environmental data and provide easy access to this information	 Equipment procured PIRs Observations	Implementation of project activities and recruitment of relevant national expertise is monitored and actions will be identified if the lack of expertise is affecting the timely implementation of the project **Risk:* • Acquire inadequate hardware within the ECD context and the EMIS hardware requirements **Assumption:* Specification requirements will be done carefully to identify the adequate hardware, communication and network equipment	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry
Output 1.2: An information technology architecture in place to store, manage and	7. Agreements for data sharing in place	 Information is shared on an ad-hoc basis among institutions following formal requests made at Secretary level 	• 3-4 agreements are in place between ECD and 3-4 agencies/institutio ns to share data on a regular basis	 Agreements in place Procedures to share data 	 Risk: Political will to accept sharing data among government institutions Assumption: Government will see the benefit of sharing data through cabinet support 	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in- country

Objectives and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline Targets Source of Project Verification Risks and Assumptions		Status to Date (Ratings will be based on the scales of ANNEX D)	Justifications of Ratings		
provide public access to environmental information. Output 1.3: Environmental information available and disseminated to stakeholders.	8. Use of this environmental information in decision-making and policymaking	Limited environmental information is used to develop policies and programmes	• 3-4 policies, programmes or plans are developed using environmental information from the EMIS	 Policy, programme and plan documents 	Risk: ◆ No interest from decision-makers to use better environmental information Assumption: The benefit of using better environmental information will encourage decision-makers to use it Cabinet support is in place	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry
	9. Environmental information is shared regionally and internationally	Limited interaction exists at the regional level to share environmental information	• 2 regional sharing procedures in place by the end of the project	Regional procedures in place	Risk: • There is no regional commitment to share environmental information Assumption: Regional organizations will lead the sharing of environmental information	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry
	10. Quality, quantity and timeliness of reports submitted to conventions	Reports are not submitted on time and do not contain much primary collected data	National communications/ reports are submitted on time and contain primary data collected by the EMIS	National communication s and reports	Risk: • The government does not fulfill its international obligations; including those from the 3 Rio Conventions Assumption:	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry

Objectives and Outcomes	Indicator	End of Project verification		Status to Date (Ratings will be based on the scales of ANNEX D)	Justifications of Ratings		
					The government continues to fulfill its international commitments		
	11. Public states higher awareness of environmental information products	Public and decision- makers are not aware about existing environmental information	• 50% of Members of Parliament are aware about existence of easily accessible environmental information at ECD	 Surveys of decision-makers Citations in newspapers and other media References in brochures, pamphlets, flyers, etc. 	Risk: • Socio-economic pressures do not devalue environmental attitudes and concern Assumption: Survey results will show an increased awareness and understanding of the Rio Conventions' implementation for decision-makers	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry.
Outcome 2: A Compliance Monitoring System (CMS) developed and tracking key environmental indicators. Output 2.1: An institutionalized set of environmental indicators.	12. Adequate environmental indicators monitored	The existing set of environmental indicators is not comprehensive and does not respond to the information requirements The existing set of environmental e	• Set of environmental indicators in place and responds to national and international information requirements	 List of official environmental indicators monitored by relevant institutions Final Evaluation report State of environment report and National communications / reports 	Risk: New indicators are adopted but they require additional resources to be monitored; which might not be available Assumption: The government pursues its budget support to integrate the 3 Rio Conventions obligations into the Kiribati information management approach and monitoring system	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry

Objectives and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline	Targets End of Project	Source of verification	Risks and Assumptions	Status to Date (Ratings will be based on the scales of ANNEX D)	Justifications of Ratings
Output 2.2: An operational compliance monitoring system.	13. Adequate national standards, norms, procedures for monitoring these environmental indicators are officially in place	There is no unified set of standards, norms and procedures to collect data, conduct observations and make sampling There is no unified set of set on the set of s	Adequate official standards, norms and procedures are in place and use by the relevant institutions	 List of official standards, norms and procedures Assessment reports Final Evaluation report 	Risk: New standards, norms and procedures are identified but might not be adopted by the Government Assumption: The government pursues its policies to integrate the Rio Conventions obligations into the Kiribati information management approach and monitoring system	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry
	14. An in-service training programme for public servants include course(s) covering environmental information management and monitoring system	There is no training programme for public administrators on environmental information management and monitoring system There is no training public and instructions.	The catalogue of in-service training programme include course(s) on environmental information management and monitoring system The catalogue of in-service training and in-service training system.	 Catalogue of inservice training programme Other training programmes PIRs 	**Risk: The in-service training system for public servants might not be interested in integrating into its catalogue the training curricula developed with the support of the project **Assumption*: The related in-service training institution(s) will be contacted early on to establish a partnership with the project and involved them in designing and delivering the course	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry

Objectives and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline	Targets End of Project	Source of verification	Risks and Assumptions	Status to Date (Ratings will be based on the scales of ANNEX D)	Justifications of Ratings
	15. Number of public servants trained by taking the course(s) on EMIS and CMS	• 0	• 100 Public Servants are trained using the new training programme	 Proceeding of courses delivered PIRs Project management reports 	Risk: No interest in better integrating environmental information in government decision-making Assumption: There is sufficient commitment from decision-makers to maintain long-term support to public servant training in the environmental area, including MEAs implementation in Kiribati	To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission in-country	• To be determined on site when IC is on TE mission incountry

Annex B: List of Documents to be reviewed by the evaluators

Checklist of Documents Required for the Terminal Evaluation of the Kiribati CCCD Project

Particulars	Year	Document	Source	Check
		Letter of Approval from the GEF CEO	UNDP	
Project Approval	2015	Signed Project Document	UNDP	
		Delegation of Authority	UNDP	
	2245	Staff contract for the Project Coordinator	ECD, MELAD	
Project Start-Up	2015 - 2016	Staff contract for the Project Finance Personnel	ECD, MELAD	
		Inception Workshop Report	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Annual Workplan and Budget	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2015	1 st Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2015	2 nd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		3 rd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Annual Workplan and Budget	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		1 st Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2016	2 nd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2010	3 rd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
Project Planning and		4 th Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		2015 – 2016 Annual Project Report	UNDP	
	2017	Annual Workplan and Budget	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		1 st Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		2 nd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
Implementation		3 rd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		2016 – 2017 Annual Project Report	UNDP	
		Annual Workplan and Budget	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		1 st Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2010	2 nd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2018	3 rd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		2017 – 2018 Annual Project Report	UNDP	
		Annual Workplan and Budget	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		1 st Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2010	2 nd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2019	3 rd Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Workplan	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		2018 – 2019 Annual Project Report	UNDP	
		2 nd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
Project Monitoring		3 rd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
Froject Worldoning	2015	4 th Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Signed 2015 CDR	UNDP	

Particulars	Year	Document	Source	Check
		1 st Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		2 nd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2016	3 rd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Signed 2016 CDR	UNDP	
		1 st Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		2 nd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2017	3 rd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Signed 2017 CDR	UNDP	
		1st Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2010	2 nd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2018	3 rd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Signed 2018 CDR	UNDP	
		1 st Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2010	2 nd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2019	3 rd Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		4 th Quarter Progress Report/FACE form	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Signed 2019 CDR	UNDP	
	2015	Project Board Meeting Agenda	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2015	Project Board Meeting Minutes	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2016	Project Board Meeting Agenda	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2016	Project Board Meeting Minutes	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
		Project Board Meeting Agenda	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
Project Oversight	2017	Project Board Meeting Minutes	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2017	Request and Approval Documentations for No- Cost Project Extension	UNDP	
	2010	Project Board Meeting Agenda	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2018	Project Board Meeting Minutes	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2019	Project Board Meeting Agenda	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2019	Project Board Meeting Minutes	Kiribati CCCD PMU	
	2016- 2019	Back to Office Reports	UNDP	
	2016- 2019	Social Media	UNDP/Kiribati CCCD PMU	
Asset Management	Y1 – Y4	Project Assets List/Register	Kiribati CCCD PMU	

Annex C:

Content of the TE report

- i. Title page
 - Tile of UNDP-supported GEF-financed project
 - UNDP PIMS ID and GEF ID
 - TE timeframe and date of final TE report
 - Region and countries included in the project
 - GEF Focal Area/Strategic Program
 - Executing Agency, Implementing partner and other project partners
 - TE Team members
- ii. Acknowledgements
- iii. Table of Contents
- iv. Acronyms and Abbreviations
- 1. Executive Summary (3-4 pages)
 - Project Information Table
 - Project Description (brief)
 - Evaluation Ratings Table
 - Concise summary of findings, conclusions and lessons learned
 - Recommendations summary table
- 2. Introduction (2-3 pages)
 - Purpose and objective of the TE
 - Scope
 - Methodology
 - Data Collection & Analysis
 - Ethics
 - Limitations to the evaluation
 - Structure of the TE report
- 3. Project Description (3-5 pages)
 - Project start and duration, including milestones
 - Development context: environmental, socio-economic, institutional, and policy factors relevant to the project objective and scope
 - Problems that the project sought to address: threats and barriers targeted
 - Immediate and development objectives of the project
 - Expected results
 - Main stakeholders: summary list

• Theory of Change

4. Findings

(in addition to a descriptive assessment, all criteria marked with (*) must be given a rating3)

4.1 Project Design/Formulation

- Analysis of Results Framework: project logic and strategy, indicators
- Assumptions and Risks
- Lessons from other relevant projects (e.g. same focal area) incorporated into project design
- Planned stakeholder participation
- Linkages between project and other interventions within the sector

4.1 Project Implementation

- Adaptive management (changes to the project design and project outputs during implementation)
- Actual stakeholder participation and partnership arrangements
- Project Finance and Co-finance
- Monitoring & Evaluation: design at entry (*), implementation (*), and overall assessment of M&E (*)
- UNDP implementation/oversight (*) and Implementing Partner execution (*), overall project implementation/execution (*), coordination, and operational issues

4.2 Project Results

- Progress towards objective and expected outcomes (*)
- Relevance (*)
- Effectiveness (*)
- Efficiency (*)
- Overall Outcome (*)
- Country ownership
- Gender
- Other Cross-cutting Issues
- Social and Environmental Standards
- Sustainability: financial (*), socio-economic (*), institutional framework and governance (*), environmental (*), and overall likelihood (*)
- Country Ownership
- Gender equality and women's empowerment
- Cross-cutting Issues
- GEF Additionality
- Catalytic Role / Replication Effect
- Progress to Impact

³ See ToR Annex F for rating scales.

- 5. Main Findings, Conclusions, Recommendations & Lessons
 - Main Findings
 - Conclusions
 - Recommendations
 - Lessons Learned

6. Annexes

- TE ToR (excluding ToR annexes)
- TE Mission itinerary
- List of persons interviewed
- List of documents reviewed
- Summary of field visits
- Evaluation Question Matrix (evaluation criteria with key questions, indicators, sources of data, and methodology)
- Questionnaire used and summary of results
- Co-financing tables (if not include in body of report)
- TE Rating scales
- Signed Evaluation Consultant Agreement form
- Signed UNEG Code of Conduct form
- Signed TE Report Clearance form
- Annexed in a separate file: TE Audit Trail
- Annexed in a separate file: relevant terminal GEF/LDCF/SCCF Core Indicators or Tracking Tools, as applicable

Annex D. Evaluation Questions

Evaluative Criteria Questions	Indicators	Sources	Methodology		
Relevance: How does the project relate to the main objectives of the GEF focal area, and to the environment and development priorities at the local, regional and nati levels?					
Is the project relevant to Kiribati's environmental policies and Kiribati national development plan?	•	•	•		
Is the project relevant to United Nation Pacific Strategy for the country?	•	•	•		
Is the project relevant to UNDP Pacific's Sub Regional Programme Document?	•	•	•		
• Is the project addressing the needs of the targeted beneficiaries?	•	•	•		
Is the project specifically addressing gender issues and any other	•	•	•		

 How is the project complementary to the actions of other stakeholders active in the country/region? 	•	•	•
Is the project internally consistent in its design?	•	•	•
Effectiveness: To what extent have the expected outcomes and objectives of the project been achieved	?		
• Are the activities and outputs of the project consistent with the project's goals and objectives?	•	•	•
• To what extent has the delivered project outputs contributed to the achievement of its expected outcomes?	•	•	•
Were the project's expected targets against the outcomes achieved?	•	•	•
How was risk managed during the project?	•	•	•
What are the lessons learnt from the project in terms of effectiveness?	•	•	•
Which changes could have been made in project's design to improve its effectiveness?	•	•	•
How could the project have been more effective in achieving results?	•	•	•
Efficiency: Was the project implemented efficiently, in-line with international and national norms and st $\overline{}$	andards?		
Was adaptive management needed and used to ensure efficient use of resources?	•	•	•
Were the accounting and financial systems in place adequate?	•	•	•
 Were progress reports produced in a timely manner and in compliance to project reporting requirements? 	•	•	•
Was project implementation as cost-effective as originally envisaged?	•	•	•
Was the expected co-finance leveraged as initially expected?	•	•	•
Were the reported lessons learnt shared among project stakeholders for subsequent improvement of project implementation?	•	•	•
Which partnerships and networking were facilitated among stakeholders?? Be specific to mention any legal agreements or memorandum of understanding signed to ascertain partnership	•	•	•
Was local capacity and know-how adequately mobilized?	•	•	•

Sustainability: To what extent are there financial, institutional, social-economic, and/or environmental	risks to sustaining long-t	term project results?	
Were sustainability issues adequately addressed at project design?	•	•	•
• Is there evidence that some partners and stakeholders will continue their activities beyond project termination? And if such partners/stakeholders were identified, which ones were they?	•	•	•
 Which are the main risks to the continuation of policies and actions initiated by the projects? (financial, institutional, socioeconomic, environmental) 	•	•	•
Are project actions and results being scaled up or replicated elsewhere in the region?	•	•	•
Did the project adequately address institutional and financial sustainability issues?	•	•	•
How is the beneficiary planning to mainstream the lessons learnt to ensure quality reporting to the global platforms?	•	•	•
Impact: Are there indications that the project has contributed to, or enabled progress toward, reduced	environmental stress ar	nd/or improved ecolo	gical status?
How likely is the project to achieve its long-term goal?	•	•	•
 Are stakeholders more aware about the project's contribution towards setting up an EMIS and ensuring that it is operational? Which ones? 	•	•	•
 What is the impact of the project for the citizens of Kiribati in terms of awareness about the government's commitment to reporting its updated environmental data to the global platforms of the Rio conventions? 	•	•	•
What are the level of influence and visibility of the project in Nauru in promoting sustainable development?	•	•	•

Annex E: UNEG Code of Conduct for Evaluators

Independence entails the ability to evaluate without undue influence or pressure by any party (including the hiring unit) and providing evaluators with free access to information on the evaluation subject. Independence provides legitimacy to and ensures an objective perspective on evaluations. An independent evaluation reduces the potential for conflicts of interest which might arise with self-reported ratings by those involved in the management of the project being evaluated. Independence is one of ten general principles for evaluations (together with internationally agreed principles, goals and targets: utility, credibility, impartiality, ethics, transparency, human rights and gender equality, national evaluation capacities, and professionalism).

Evaluators/Consultants:

- 1. Must present information that is complete and fair in its assessment of strengths and weaknesses so that decisions or actions taken are well founded.
- 2. Must disclose the full set of evaluation findings along with information on their limitations and have this accessible to all affected by the evaluation with expressed legal rights to receive results.
- 3. Should protect the anonymity and confidentiality of individual informants. They should provide maximum notice, minimize demands on time, and respect people's right not to engage. Evaluators must respect people's right to provide information in confidence, and must ensure that sensitive information cannot be traced to its source. Evaluators are not expected to evaluate individuals, and must balance an evaluation of management functions with this general principle.
- 4. Sometimes uncover evidence of wrongdoing while conducting evaluations. Such cases must be reported discreetly to the appropriate investigative body. Evaluators should consult with other relevant oversight entities when there is any doubt about if and how issues should be reported.
- 5. Should be sensitive to beliefs, manners and customs and act with integrity and honesty in their relations with all stakeholders. In line with the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, evaluators must be sensitive to and address issues of discrimination and gender equality. They should avoid offending the dignity and self-respect of those persons with whom they come in contact in the course of the evaluation. Knowing that evaluation might negatively affect the interests of some stakeholders, evaluators should conduct the evaluation and communicate its purpose and results in a way that clearly respects the stakeholders' dignity and self-worth.
- 6. Are responsible for their performance and their product(s). They are responsible for the clear, accurate and fair written and/or oral presentation of study imitations, findings and recommendations.
- 7. Should reflect sound accounting procedures and be prudent in using the resources of the evaluation.
- 8. Must ensure that independence of judgement is maintained, and that evaluation findings and recommendations are independently presented.
- 9. Must confirm that they have not been involved in designing, executing or advising on the project being evaluated and did not carry out the project's Mid-Term Review.





ToR Annex F: TE Rating Scales & Evaluation Ratings Table

TE Ratin	g Scales
Ratings for Outcomes, Effectiveness, Efficiency, M&E, Implementation/Oversight, Execution, Relevance	Sustainability ratings:
6 = Highly Satisfactory (HS): exceeds expectations and/or no shortcomings 5 = Satisfactory (S): meets expectations and/or no or minor shortcomings 4 = Moderately Satisfactory (MS): more or less meets expectations and/or some shortcomings 3 = Moderately Unsatisfactory (MU): somewhat below expectations and/or significant shortcomings 2 = Unsatisfactory (U): substantially below expectations and/or major shortcomings 1 = Highly Unsatisfactory (HU): severe shortcomings Unable to Assess (U/A): available information does not allow an assessment	4 = Likely (L): negligible risks to sustainability 3 = Moderately Likely (ML): moderate risks to sustainability 2 = Moderately Unlikely (MU): significant risks to sustainability 1 = Unlikely (U): severe risks to sustainability Unable to Assess (U/A): Unable to assess the expected incidence and magnitude of risks to sustainability

Evaluation Ratings Table			
Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E)	Rating ⁴		
M&E design at entry			
M&E Plan Implementation			
Overall Quality of M&E			
Implementation & Execution	Rating		
Quality of UNDP Implementation/Oversight			
Quality of Implementing Partner Execution			
Overall quality of Implementation/Execution			
Assessment of Outcomes	Rating		
Relevance			
Effectiveness			
Efficiency			
Overall Project Outcome Rating			
Sustainability	Rating		
Financial resources			
Socio-political/economic			

 $^{^4}$ Outcomes, Effectiveness, Efficiency, M&E, I&E Execution, Relevance are rated on a 6-point rating scale: 6 = Highly Satisfactory (HS), 5 = Satisfactory (S), 4 = Moderately Satisfactory (MS), 3 = Moderately Unsatisfactory (MU), 2 = Unsatisfactory (U), 1 = Highly Unsatisfactory (HU). Sustainability is rated on a 4-point scale: 4 = Likely (L), 3 = Moderately Likely (ML), 2 = Moderately Unlikely (MU), 1 = Unlikely (U)

Institutional framework and governance	
Environmental	
Overall Likelihood of Sustainability	

Annex G: TE Report Clearance Form

Annex H: TE Audit Trail

The following is a template for the TE Team to show how the received comments on the draft TE report have (or have not) been incorporated into the final TE report. This Audit Trail should be listed as an annex in the final TE report but not attached to the report file.

To the comments received on (date) from the Terminal Evaluation of (project name) (UNDP Project PIMS #)

The following comments were provided to the draft TE report; they are referenced by institution/organization (do not include the commentator's name) and track change comment number ("#" column):

Institution/ Organization	#	Para No./ comment location	Comment/Feedback on the draft TE report	TE team response and actions taken
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