

## Terms of Reference Ref: PN/FJ/094/20

## **Consultancy Title**

Country Engagement and Risk Informed Development Specialist (2 positions)

#### **Project Name**

Governance for Resilient Development in the Pacific Project

#### **Duty Station**

Based in Suva (Fiji) with travel

#### **Duration of the Contract**

Contract period: 9 months

Number of working days (for Each IC): up to maximum of 160 days within a 9-month period

Start date: October 2020

End date: July 2021

Consultancy Proposal (CV & Financial proposal Template) should be uploaded on UNDP e-tendering Portal (<a href="https://etendering.partneragencies.org">https://etendering.partneragencies.org</a>) ID Ref: 0000007232 no later than, 8<sup>th</sup> October 2020 (New York Time). Any proposals received after the due date/time will not be accepted. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic communication to <a href="mailto:procurement.fj@undp.org">procurement.fj@undp.org</a>. 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/uploaded through UNDP e-tendering Portal. 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

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.

## **Objectives**

The Risk Informed Development (RID) Specialist will directly contribute to the achievement of overall outcomes and outputs of the project through mainstreaming CCDRM as an integral part of all project activities. The Specialist will be responsible for assisting stakeholders from national and sub-national levels, working in government, the private sector and with CSOs to integrate climate change and disaster risk into strategic planning, budgeting and decision-making processes. This will include providing technical assistance and guidance to delivery, assessments, planning and monitoring and evaluation of activities, and upskilling of both internal and external stakeholders.

## **Background**

The Governance for Resilient Development in the Pacific (Governance for Resilience) project works with Pacific governments to ensure that countries adapt their decision making and governance systems towards more resilient development. The projects theory of change rests on a core assumption that Pacific Island people will be more resilient to the impacts of climate change and disasters if countries manage all development through a risk informed approach. This is consistent with the Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific which calls for the 'mainstreaming' of climate and disaster risk treating risk management as fundamental to all development decisions.

The Governance for Resilience project has three outcomes areas: 1) government planning and financing systems enable gender and socially inclusive risk-informed development; 2) country oversight and accountability systems require gender and socially inclusive risk-informed development; and 3) regional organisations, policies and practices are actively supporting gender and socially inclusive risk-informed development.

The project is being delivered by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Pacific Office, in partnership with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT), and Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA). It is a 5 year project working across all Pacific countries. It is the second phase of the DFAT funded, UNDP implemented Pacific Risk Resilience Programme (PRRP).

## Scope of work/Expected Output

The overall responsibilities of the assignment are to:

## Design country implementation strategy for pilot countries and commence implementation

- Identify project entry points for risk informing planning and budgeting, particularly partnering with Ministries of Finance and Ministries of National Planning in pilot countries
- Provide high-level technical assistance and advice to national counterparts and their institutions on risk informing development in relation to strategic planning, legal and regulatory frameworks, planning and budgeting, sub-national planning, public financial management and sectoral activities to support realisation of risk informed development
- Identify opportunities and provide support to subnational planning ministries and associated local government financing opportunities
- Analyse and conduct research on Solomon Islands climate and development financing and provide strategic guidance on the preparation of project annual work plan, annual report and other documents of the project

## Support mainstreaming of CCDRM into project demonstration projects

- Support and coordinate with national counterparts to integrate risk (including CCDRM and gender and social inclusion) into infrastructure projects
- Support CCDRM experts to monitor and analyse demonstration projects to ensure they are achieving outputs from a GESI perspective
- Identify any capacity development needs with regard to GESI staff and design and facilitate capacity development initiatives to mainstream GESI in conjunction with CCDRM activities.

## Undertake regional research and analysis on risk informed development and climate finance effectiveness

- Design and draft research plan including stakeholder engagement with Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat and other regional partners
- Analyse and summarise secondary data and other information available from Pacific Governments,

national stats office, multilateral agencies, academia, and other sources

- Assist with synthesising research and drafting research summary
- Develop material for dissemination of research outcomes including developing communications pieces and PowerPoint presentations

#### Design induction package for new government posts

- Design training packages and lead induction on risk informed development for project stakeholders, particularly core project staff
- Identify or create training materials and training manuals that are contextualised and appropriate for project team and partners
- Review training plans, materials and methodologies for all project outcome areas and propose recommendations.

### **Contribution to UNDP Resilient Development Activities**

 As required, provide CCDRM advice to the UNDP Resilience and Sustainable Development team more broadly.

#### **Resources Provided**

The consultant is expected to provide their own laptop and communications equipment. UNDP will provide desk space in Suva and will make arrangements for travel to Suva and other countries as required.

#### Supervision/Reporting

The consultant will report directly to the Programme Manager for the UNDP Governance for Resilience Project under the overall guidance of the Resilience and Sustainable Development Team Leader and will work in collaboration with other members of the Resilience and Sustainable Development team including Gov4Res team and key partners.

## **Requirement for Qualifications & Experience**

- At least 7 years' experience in the management and implementation of climate change disaster risk management; adaptation to climate change; and national and community development;
- Minimum Mastersdegree in social sciences, community development or discipline relevant to environmental management and/or climate change;
- Familiarity with development planning particularly National Sustainable Development planning processes and linkages with sectoral and sub-national planning;
- Experience in integrating cross-cutting issues into development planning and budgetary processes;
- Technical expertise, knowledge and programming skills relating to climate change and disaster risk management, including vulnerability analysis and assessment tools, and mainstreaming climate change and disaster risk management into national development plans, policies and budgetary processes;
- Excellent writing and drafting skills and experience of providing policy advice at the international, regional or national level;
- Knowledge of the Pacific region; and
- Fluency in English (written and oral) is essential.

# **Functional Competencies**

- Excellent communication and advocacy skills
- Proven ability to conceptualise, develop, plan and manage human rights interventions as well as transfer knowledge and skills

- Experienced in delivering training and other needed capacity/ institutional building support to a wide range of stakeholders
- Ability to coach, mentor, motivate and develop staff and encourage good performance
- Promotes sharing of knowledge and experience, and actively works towards continued learning and development
- Good interpersonal skills with experience of networking with partners at all levels
- Good understanding of national and international human rights mechanisms, and excellent interpersonal skills
- Ability to establish priorities and to plan, coordinate and monitor work of others, ability to make timely decisions
- Displays cultural, gender, religion, race, and age sensitivity and adaptability and capacity to work effectively in a multicultural environment.

### **Proposal Requirements**

#### **Daily Fee**

The IC shall quote an **all-inclusive daily fee** for this consultancy work. The term "all-inclusive" implies that all costs (professional fees, medical insurance ,communications, consumables, etc.) that could be incurred by the IC in completing the assignment are already factored into the daily fee submitted in the proposal. If applicable, travel or daily allowance cost (if any work is to be done outside the IC's duty station) should be identified separately.

## **Payments**

Payments shall be done on a monthly basis and based on actual days worked, and upon verification of completion of deliverables and approval by the IC's supervisor of a time sheet indicating the days worked in the period.

### **General Notes on Financial Offer**

- UNDP shall not accept travel costs exceeding those of an economy class ticket. Should the Consultant wish to travel on a higher class he/she should do so using his/her 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 UNDP and the Individual Consultant, prior to travel and will be reimbursed.

Payment Schedule (if required)				
Date to completed	be	Activity/Deliverable	Days	
		Identify project entry points for risk informing planning and budgeting, particularly partnering with Ministries of Finance and Ministries of National Planning	12	
		Provide high-level technical assistance and advice to national counterparts and their institutions on risk informing development in relation to strategic planning, legal and regulatory frameworks, planning and budgeting, sub-national planning, public financial management and sectoral activities to support realisation of risk informed development	9	
		Identify opportunities and provide support to subnational planning ministries and associated local government financing opportunities	10	
		Analyse and conduct research on Solomon Islands climate and	12	

development financing and provide strategic guidance on the preparation of project annual work plan, annual report and other documents of the project	
Support and coordinate with national counterparts to integrate risk (including CCDRM and gender and social inclusion) into infrastructure projects	10
Support CCDRM experts to monitor and analyse demonstration projects to ensure they are achieving outputs from a GESI perspective	8
Identify any capacity development needs with regard to GESI staff and design and facilitate capacity development initiatives to mainstream GESI in conjunction with CCDRM activities.	12
Design and draft research plan including stakeholder engagement with Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat and other regional partners	17
Analyse and summarise secondary data and other information available from Pacific Governments, national stats office, multilateral agencies, academia, and other sources	12
Assist with synthesising research and drafting research summary	17
Develop material for dissemination of research outcomes including developing communications pieces and PowerPoint presentations	7
Design training packages and lead induction on risk informed development for project stakeholders, particularly core project staff	5
Identify or create training materials and training manuals that are contextualised and appropriate for project team and partners	4
Review training plans, materials and methodologies for all project outcome areas and propose recommendations.	8
As required, provide CCDRM advice to the UNDP Resilience and Sustainable Development team more broadly.	17
Total	160

Fees to be paid based on monthly invoice submitted by consultant with progress report of outputs certified by UNDP.

Consultancy fee and living allowance to be paid based on satisfactory completion of outputs and certification by UNDP.

# **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:

- 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 where:
  - > Technical criteria are valued at 70%
  - Financial criteria are valued at 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.

#### **Technical Criteria for Evaluation**

No.	Criteria	Weighting
1	At least 7 years' experience in the management and implementation of disaster risk	20
	management; adaptation to climate change; disaster response and recovery, and	
	environmental management and permitting processes	
2	Minimum Masters Degree in social sciences or discipline relevant to environmental	5
	management and/or climate change	
3	Familiarity with development planning particularly National Sustainable Development	10
	planning processes and linkages with sectoral and sub-national planning	
4	Experience in integrating cross-cutting issues into development planning and budgetary	10
	processes	
5	Technical expertise, knowledge and programming skills relating to climate change and	10
	disaster risk management, including vulnerability analysis and assessment tools, and	
	mainstreaming climate change and disaster risk management into national	
	development plans, policies and budgetary processes	
6	Excellent writing and drafting skills and experience of providing policy advice at the	10
	international, regional or national level	
7	Knowledge of the Pacific region	5
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## **Proposal Submission**

Offerors must send the following documents:

- CV including names/contacts of at least 3 referees;
- A cover letter indicating why the candidate considers himself/herself suitable for the required consultancy;
- Completed template for confirmation of Interest and Submission of Financial Proposal.

Note: Successful individual will be required to provide proof of medical insurance coverage before commencement of contract for the duration of the assignment.

Incomplete and joint proposals may not be considered. Consultants with whom there is further interest will be contacted.

Individuals applying for this consultancy will be reviewed based on their own individual capacity. The successful individual may sign an Individual Contract with UNDP or request his/her employer to sign a Reimbursable Loan Agreement (RLA) on their behalf by indicating this in the Offerors letter to Confirming Interest and Availability.

Consultant 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(Daily fees to include IC's medical insurance costs, travel costs, living allowance (if any work is to be done outside the IC's duty station) and any other applicable cost to be incurred by the IC 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 IC wish to travel on a higher class he/she should do so using 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.

## **Bid Submission Address**

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

Women candidates are encouraged to apply.

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Tuvalu and Vanuatu