Minutes of the pre-bidding conference Provision for Event management services for multiple UNDP Webinar Series and Events

Place: ZOOM

Date: 17 June 2021

Time: 14:30 to 15:30 (GMT+8)

Panel:

- a. Ms. Chin Su Ci, Communication Associate
- b. Ms. Laine Liew, Operations Associate
- c. Ms. Esther Chua, Operations Assistant

I. Introduction

UNDP Operations Team welcomed all meeting participants. She then briefed all bidders that the purpose of this meeting is to help bidders to fully understand the key requirements in the RFP. Bidders can raise queries through Questions and Answers session. Minutes of this meeting will be posted on UNDP websites, so all bidders can download.

In case bidders have queries after the pre-bid meeting, bidders should send queries to the contact details indicated in the RFP.

Below are some key notes on preparing and submitting bid:

1. Preparing proposal:

- Proposal validity: 120 days from submission deadline.
- Please refer to the "Description of Requirements-Criteria for the Assessment of Proposal. Evaluation criteria: in the RFP for UNDP requirements while preparing proposal.
- Bidders should provide, relevant information, proof/evidence they have for each criterion in their proposal
- The proposal should be submitted in the templates provided in Annex 2. Bidders should follow templates.
- Currency of the proposal is Malaysia Ringgit, should the company submit the proposal in different currency, UNDP has right to apply UN Exchange rate effective deadline of the submission. The UN Exchange rates are available by following link: <u>https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.php</u>
- Please refer to Annex 2 "Check list" to ensure all essential documents are included in the bid.
- Failure to accept UNDP General Terms will lead to disqualification of the company.
- Payment Terms will be 100% within 30 days upon satisfactory completion of Webinar event.

2. Bid submission:

- Submission deadline: 25 June 2021, 12:30PM (GMT+8) via email to procurement.my@undp.org.
- Financial proposal should be protected by password. The password details shall not be shared with Procurement or any other members until official request from Procurement Unit is received.
- The submission after deadline will be rejected.

- The submission should be supported with additional documents confirming qualification of the company, please refer for details to Annex 2 checklist.
- All Forms should be properly signed and stamped by authorized person.

3. Evaluation of proposals:

- Eligibility criteria provided in Description of Requirements-Criteria for the Assessment of Proposal.
- The evaluation method is based on Highest Combined Score (based on the 70% technical offer and 30% price weight distribution).
- UNDP will award the contract to one or more Service Providers, depending on the factors that the main contractor to be awarded to the proposer obtaining the highest combined scores, and a backup contractor to be awarded to the proposer obtaining the second highest score.
- Qualification requirements set forth for the company and minimum required qualified staff to be engaged under this assignment are provided in detail "Terms of Reference -Professional Qualification of the Firm and Its Key Personnel with Competencies".

4. Financial proposals:

- The financial proposal shall be provided based on Basic Requirements and Rate card.

5. Questions/ Answer Session:

At the end of this presentation, there were some questions from participates and these were clarified as below:

#	Query	Answer
1	What is the duration of the event?	Please quote half-day and full day. Depending on the nature of event, some may last for a few hours, while others may be from 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.
2	What is the average number of attendees? What is the number of webinars across the year?	Attendees range between 100-150 pax. The number of events is uncertain. The preparation time is usually three to four weeks prior to the event.
3	What is the number of on-site participants for hybrid event?	When it is a hybrid event, only secretariat, working crew, and technical team will be on site. Usually no attendees will be on site due to adherence of SOPs. Typically, the number will be around 20 to 25 pax, depending on capacity of the venue based on SOPs.
4	What is the expectation on visual design?	Zoom Overlay with event branding is preferred as first choice for high-level policy dialogues. It is noted that zoom resolution might be a concern. In that case, UNDP will be willing to consider alternative option including virtual background as a contingency.
5	Under scenario C of TOR, will the technical team be required to present at command centre?	Yes, in the situation where UNDP employees are allowed to be working on site, the technical team will be expected to work with the secretariat on the event day in a command centre.

6	Venue information is required to	If bidder may offer studio option, dedicated Internet
	quote internet connection more	line should be quoted if applicable.
	accurately.	
7	How is breakout session designed?	High-level policy dialogues will usually not require
		breakout room. Certain meetings might have focus
		group discussion, where breakout room is required.
		Typically in that scenario, one facilitator and a
		rapporteur will be assigned to facilitate session in
		the breakout room. Depending on the nature of the
		event, sometimes the list of breakout room
		participants is already pre-determined and will need
		to be manually assigned on day of event, not auto-
		assigned by Zoom function.
8	What is the basis of financial	Quotation is per event and quotation shall be valid
	proposal?	throughout the Long-Term Agreement period.
9	Will the registration be managed by	Yes. However, bidder may list the service as one of
	UNDP?	the options under rate card.
10	Is there requirement to deliver	Not necessary but the option may be included in rate
	lighting or equipment to participant's	card.
	residence for virtual event?	
11	What should be included in rate	It is indicated in TOR (page 11). It is optional and
	card?	bidder may provide additional listing.
12	Are there examples of past event?	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6hl1SYn36SU
	What is the equipment required?	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mjfsiv1mrLM
		https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1sq4MonWHKo
		For live on-site panel discussion, some of the
		minimum setup includes one TV screen and two
		cameras (two angle). This will depend on the event
		requirement and you may include additional items in
		rate card.
13	What is the current challenge of	The inability to be on site to ensure ease of
	event management?	communication and workflow within the team.
14	Should company profile cover solely	Please provide documents to demonstrate eligibility
	webinar?	and competence.

Notes:

- 1. Minutes of the meeting will be posted on the website. UNDP procurement notices and all relevant tender information will also be posted on the following portals:
 - a. PSO: <u>https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view_notice.cfm?notice_id=79486</u>
- 2. Questions on tender can be sent in writing to procurement.my@undp.org before 5 days to bids submission deadline.
- 3. Bidders are allowed to participate in the tender even though you missed the pre-bid session.

The meeting completed at 15:30. This minute will be posted on website for an easy access

Useful information/links:

UN exchange rate: <u>https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.ph</u>