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The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) hereby invites you to submit a Proposal to this Request for Proposal (RFP) for the above-referenced subject.

This RFP includes the following documents and the General Terms and Conditions of Contract which is inserted in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS):

Section 1: This Letter of Invitation

Section 2: Instruction to Bidders

Section 3: Bid Data Sheet (BDS)

Section 4: Evaluation Criteria

Section 5: Terms of Reference

Section 6: Returnable Bidding Forms

- Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form
- Form B: Bidder Information Form
- o Form C: Joint Venture/Consortium/Association Information Form
- Form D: Qualification Form
- Form E: Format of Technical Proposal
- Form F: Financial Proposal Submission Form
- Form G: Financial Proposal Form

If you are interested in submitting a Proposal in response to this RFP, please prepare your Proposal in accordance with the requirements and procedure as set out in this RFP and submit it by the Deadline for Submission of Proposals set out in Bid Data Sheet.

Please acknowledge receipt of this RFP by sending an email to <u>Bidsubmission.sz@undp.org</u>, indicating whether you intend to submit a Proposal or otherwise. You may also utilize the "Accept Invitation" function in e-Tendering system, where applicable. This will enable you to receive amendments or updates to the RFP. Should you require further clarifications, kindly communicate with the contact person/s identified in the attached Bid Data Sheet as the focal point for queries on this RFP.

UNDP looks forward to receiving your Proposal and thank you in advance for your interest in UNDP procurement opportunities.

Issued by:

Approved by:

Name: Bonkhe Maseko Title: Procurement Assistant Date: **July 12, 2021** Name: Shaima Hussein Title: DRR Date: **July 12, 2021**

SECTION 2. INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS

A. GENERAL PROVIS	SIONS	
1. Introduction	1.1	Bidders shall adhere to all the requirements of this RFP, including any amendments in writing by UNDP. This RFP is conducted in accordance with the UNDP Programme and Operations Policies and Procedures (POPP) on Contracts and Procurement which can be accessed at <u>https://popp.undp.org/SitePages/POPPBSUnit.aspx?TermID=254a9f96-b883- 476a-8ef8-e81f93a2b38d</u>
	1.2	Any Proposal submitted will be regarded as an offer by the Bidder and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of the Proposal by UNDP. UNDP is under no obligation to award a contract to any Bidder as a result of this RFP.
	1.3	As part of the bid, it is desired that the Bidder registers at the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) website (<u>www.ungm.org</u>). The Bidder may still submit a bid even if not registered with the UNGM. However, if the Bidder is selected for contract award, the Bidder must register on the UNGM prior to contract signature.
2. Fraud & Corruption, Gifts and Hospitality	2.1	UNDP strictly enforces a policy of zero tolerance on proscribed practices, including fraud, corruption, collusion, unethical or unprofessional practices, and obstruction of UNDP vendors and requires all bidders/vendors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process and contract implementation. UNDP's Anti-Fraud Policy can be found at http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/accountability/audit/offic e_of_audit_andinvestigation.html#anti
	2.2	Bidders/vendors shall not offer gifts or hospitality of any kind to UNDP staff members including recreational trips to sporting or cultural events, theme parks or offers of holidays, transportation, or invitations to extravagant lunches or dinners.
	2.3	 In pursuance of this policy, UNDP (a) Shall reject a proposal if it determines that the selected bidder has engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question; (b) Shall declare a vendor ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a contract if at any time it determines that the vendor has engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing a UNDP contract.
	2.4	All Bidders must adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct, which may be found at https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/about-us/un-supplier-code-conduct
3. Eligibility	3.1	A vendor should not be suspended, debarred, or otherwise identified as ineligible by any UN Organization or the World Bank Group or any other international Organization. Vendors are therefore required to disclose to UNDP whether they are subject to any sanction or temporary suspension imposed by these organizations.
	3.2	It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that its employees, joint venture members, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/or their employees meet the eligibility requirements as established by UNDP.

4. Conflict of Interests	4.1	Bidders must strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own interests, and act without consideration for future work. Bidders found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. Without limitation on the generality of the above, Bidders, and any of their affiliates, shall be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this solicitation process, if they:
	4.2	 a) Are or have been associated in the past, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by UNDP to provide services for the preparation of the design, specifications, Terms of Reference, cost analysis/estimation, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods and services in this selection process; b) Were involved in the preparation and/or design of the programme/project related to the services requested under this RFP; or c) Are found to be in conflict for any other reason, as may be established by, or at the discretion of UNDP. In the event of any uncertainty in the interpretation of a potential conflict of interest, Bidders must disclose to UNDP, and seek UNDP's confirmation on
	4.3	whether or not such a conflict exists. Similarly, the Bidders must disclose in their proposal their knowledge of the
		following:
		 d) If the owners, part-owners, officers, directors, controlling shareholders, of the bidding entity or key personnel are family members of UNDP staff involved in the procurement functions and/or the Government of the country or any Implementing Partner receiving services under this RFP; and e) All other circumstances that could potentially lead to actual or perceived conflict of interest, collusion or unfair competition practices.
		Failure to disclose such an information may result in the rejection of the proposal or proposals affected by the non-disclosure.
	4.4	The eligibility of Bidders that are wholly or partly owned by the Government shall be subject to UNDP's further evaluation and review of various factors such as being registered, operated and managed as an independent business entity, the extent of Government ownership/share, receipt of subsidies, mandate and access to information in relation to this RFP, among others. Conditions that may lead to undue advantage against other Bidders may result in the eventual rejection of the Proposal.
B. PREPARATION OF	F PRO	POSALS
5. General Considerations	5.1	In preparing the Proposal, the Bidder is expected to examine the RFP in detail. Material deficiencies in providing the information requested in the RFP may result in rejection of the Proposal.
	5.2	The Bidder will not be permitted to take advantage of any errors or omissions in the RFP. Should such errors or omissions be discovered, the Bidder must notify the UNDP
6. Cost of Preparation of Proposal	6.1	The Bidder shall bear any and all costs related to the preparation and/or submission of the Proposal, regardless of whether its Proposal was selected or not. UNDP shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the procurement process.
7. Language	7.1	The Proposal, as well as any and all related correspondence exchanged by the

	Bidder and UNDP, shall be written in the language (s) specified in the BDS.
8. Documents Comprising the Proposal	 8.1 The Proposal shall comprise of the following documents: a) Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder; b) Technical Proposal; c) Financial Proposal; d) Proposal Security, if required by BDS; e) Any attachments and/or appendices to the Proposal.
9. Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder	9.1 The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence of its status as an eligible and qualified vendor, using the Forms provided under Section 6 and providing documents required in those forms. In order to award a contract to a Bidder, its qualifications must be documented to UNDP's satisfaction.
10. Technical Proposal Format	10.1 The Bidder is required to submit a Technical Proposal using the Standard Forms and templates provided in Section 6 of the RFP.
and Content	10.2 The Technical Proposal shall not include any price or financial information. A Technical Proposal containing material financial information may be declared non-responsive.
	10.3 Samples of items, when required as per Section 5, shall be provided within the time specified and unless otherwise specified by UNDP, and at no expense to UNDP
	10.4 When applicable and required as per Section 5, the Bidder shall describe the necessary training programme available for the maintenance and operation of the services and/or equipment offered as well as the cost to the UNDP. Unless otherwise specified, such training as well as training materials shall be provided in the language of the Bid as specified in the BDS.
11. Financial Proposals	11.1 The Financial Proposal shall be prepared using the Standard Form provided in Section 6 of the RFP. It shall list all major cost components associated with the services, and the detailed breakdown of such costs.
	11.2 Any output and activities described in the Technical Proposal but not priced in the Financial Proposal, shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other activities or items, as well as in the final total price.
	11.3 Prices and other financial information must not be disclosed in any other place except in the financial proposal.
12. Proposal Security	12.1 A Proposal Security, if required by BDS, shall be provided in the amount and form indicated in the BDS. The Proposal Security shall be valid up to thirty (30) days after the final date of validity of the Proposal.
	12.2 The Proposal Security shall be included along with the Technical Proposal. In Proposal Security is required by the RFP but is not found along with the Technica Proposal, the Proposal shall be rejected.
	12.3 If the Proposal Security amount or its validity period is found to be less than what is required by UNDP, UNDP shall reject the Proposal.
	12.4 In the event an electronic submission is allowed in the BDS, Bidders shall include a copy of the Bid Security in their proposal and the original of the Proposal

	Security must be sent via courier or hand delivery as per the instructions in BDS.
	12.5 The Proposal Security may be forfeited by UNDP, and the Proposal rejected, in the event of any one or combination, of the following conditions:
	 a) If the Bidder withdraws its offer during the period of the Proposal Validity specified in the BDS, or; b) In the event that the successful Bidder fails:
	 i. to sign the Contract after UNDP has issued an award; or 12.6 to furnish the Performance Security, insurances, or other documents that UNDP may require as a condition precedent to the effectivity of the contract that may be awarded to the Bidder.
13. Currencies	13.1 All prices shall be quoted in the currency or currencies indicated in the BDS. Where Proposals are quoted in different currencies, for the purposes of comparison of all Proposals:
	 a) UNDP will convert the currency quoted in the Proposal into the UNDP preferred currency, in accordance with the prevailing UN operational rate of exchange on the last day of submission of Proposals; and
	b) In the event that UNDP selects a proposal for award that is quoted in a currency different from the preferred currency in the BDS, UNDP shall reserve the right to award the contract in the currency of UNDP's preference, using the conversion method specified above.
14. Joint Venture, Consortium or Association	14.1 If the Bidder is a group of legal entities that will form or have formed a Joint Venture (JV), Consortium or Association for the Proposal, they shall confirm in their Proposal that : (i) they have designated one party to act as a lead entity, duly vested with authority to legally bind the members of the JV, Consortium or Association jointly and severally, which shall be evidenced by a duly notarized Agreement among the legal entities, and submitted with the Proposal; and (ii) if they are awarded the contract, the contract shall be entered into, by and between UNDP and the designated lead entity, who shall be acting for and on behalf of all the member entities comprising the joint venture.
	14.2 After the Deadline for Submission of Proposal, the lead entity identified to represent the JV, Consortium or Association shall not be altered without the prior written consent of UNDP.
	14.3 The lead entity and the member entities of the JV, Consortium or Association shall abide by the provisions of Clause 9 herein in respect of submitting only one proposal.
	14.4 The description of the organization of the JV, Consortium or Association must clearly define the expected role of each of the entity in the joint venture in delivering the requirements of the RFP, both in the Proposal and the JV, Consortium or Association Agreement. All entities that comprise the JV, Consortium or Association shall be subject to the eligibility and qualification assessment by UNDP.
	14.5 A JV, Consortium or Association in presenting its track record and experience should clearly differentiate between:
	a) Those that were undertaken together by the JV, Consortium or Association; and

		b) Those that were undertaken by the individual entities of the JV, Consortium or Association.
	14.6	Previous contracts completed by individual experts working privately but who are permanently or were temporarily associated with any of the member firms cannot be claimed as the experience of the JV, Consortium or Association or those of its members, but should only be claimed by the individual experts themselves in their presentation of their individual credentials.
	14.7	JV, Consortium or Associations are encouraged for high value, multi-sectoral requirements when the spectrum of expertise and resources required may not be available within one firm.
15. Only One Proposal	15.1	The Bidder (including the individual members of any Joint Venture) shall submit only one Proposal, either in its own name or as part of a Joint Venture.
	15.2	Proposals submitted by two (2) or more Bidders shall all be rejected if they are found to have any of the following:f) they have at least one controlling partner, director or shareholder in common; or
		g) any one of them receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from
		 the other/s; or h) they have the same legal representative for purposes of this RFP; or i) they have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about, or influence on the Proposal of, another Bidder regarding this RFP process; j) they are subcontractors to each other's Proposal, or a subcontractor to one Proposal also submits another Proposal under its name as lead Bidder; or k) some key personnel proposed to be in the team of one Bidder participates in more than one Proposal received for this RFP process. This condition relating to the personnel, does not apply to subcontractors being included in more than one Proposal.
16. Proposal Validity Period	16.1	Proposals shall remain valid for the period specified in the BDS, commencing on the Deadline for Submission of Proposals. A Proposal valid for a shorter period may be rejected by UNDP and rendered non-responsive.
	16.2	During the Proposal validity period, the Bidder shall maintain its original Proposal without any change, including the availability of the Key Personnel, the proposed rates and the total price.
17. Extension of Proposal Validity Period	17.1	In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the proposal validity period, UNDP may request Bidders to extend the period of validity of their Proposals. The request and the responses shall be made in writing, and shall be considered integral to the Proposal.
	17.2	If the Bidder agrees to extend the validity of its Proposal, it shall be done without any change in the original Proposal.
	17.3	The Bidder has the right to refuse to extend the validity of its Proposal, and in which case, such Proposal will not be further evaluated.
18. Clarification of Proposal	18.1	Bidders may request clarifications on any of the RFP documents no later than the date indicated in the BDS. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing

		in the manner indicated in the BDS. If inquiries are sent other than specified channel, even if they are sent to a UNDP staff member, UNDP shall have no obligation to respond or confirm that the query was officially received.
	18.2	UNDP will provide the responses to clarifications through the method specified in the BDS.
	18.3	UNDP shall endeavor to provide responses to clarifications in an expeditious manner, but any delay in such response shall not cause an obligation on the part of UNDP to extend the submission date of the Proposals, unless UNDP deems that such an extension is justified and necessary.
19. Amendment of Proposals	19.1	At any time prior to the deadline of Proposal submission, UNDP may for any reason, such as in response to a clarification requested by a Bidder, modify the RFP in the form of an amendment to the RFP. Amendments will be made available to all prospective bidders.
	19.2	If the amendment is substantial, UNDP may extend the Deadline for submission of proposal to give the Bidders reasonable time to incorporate the amendment into their Proposals.
20. Alternative Proposals	20.1	Unless otherwise specified in the BDS, alternative proposals shall not be considered. If submission of alternative proposal is allowed by BDS, a Bidder may submit an alternative proposal, but only if it also submits a proposal conforming to the RFP requirements. UNDP shall only consider the alternative proposal offered by the Bidder whose conforming proposal ranked the highest as per the specified evaluation method. Where the conditions for its acceptance are met, or justifications are clearly established, UNDP reserves the right to award a contract based on an alternative proposal.
	20.2	If multiple/alternative proposals are being submitted, they must be clearly marked as "Main Proposal" and "Alternative Proposal"
21. Pre-Bid Conference	21.1	When appropriate, a Bidder's conference will be conducted at the date, time and location specified in the BDS. All Bidders are encouraged to attend. Non- attendance, however, shall not result in disqualification of an interested Bidder. Minutes of the Bidder's conference will be disseminated on the procurement website and shared by email or on the e-Tendering platform as specified in the BDS. No verbal statement made during the conference shall modify the terms and conditions of the RFP, unless specifically incorporated in the Minutes of the Bidder's Conference or issued/posted as an amendment to RFP.
C. SUBMISSION AND	O OPEI	NING OF PROPOSALS
22. Submission	22.1	The Bidder shall submit a duly signed and complete Proposal comprising the documents and forms in accordance with the requirements in the BDS. The submission shall be in the manner specified in the BDS.
	22.2	The Proposal shall be signed by the Bidder or person(s) duly authorized to commit the Bidder. The authorization shall be communicated through a document evidencing such authorization issued by the legal representative of the bidding entity, or a Power of Attorney, accompanying the Proposal.
	22.3	Bidders must be aware that the mere act of submission of a Proposal, in and of itself, implies that the Bidder fully accepts the UNDP General Contract Terms and Conditions.

Hard copy (manual) submission	22.4 Hard copy (manual) submission by courier or hand delivery allowed or specified in the BDS shall be governed as follows:
	a) The signed Proposal shall be marked "Original", and its copies marked "Copy" as appropriate. The number of copies is indicated in the BDS. All copies shall be made from the signed original only. If there are discrepancies between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
	b) The Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal envelopes MUST BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE and each of them must be submitted sealed individually and clearly marked on the outside as either "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" or "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL", as appropriate. Each envelope SHALL clearly indicate the name of the Bidder. The outer envelopes shall:
	i. Bear the name and address of the bidder;
	ii. Be addressed to UNDP as specified in the BDS
	iii. Bear a warning that states " <i>Not to be opened before the time and date for proposal opening</i> " as specified in the BDS.
	If the envelopes and packages with the Proposal are not sealed and marked
	as required, UNDP shall assume no responsibility for the misplacement, loss,
Email Submission	or premature opening of the Proposal.
	22.5 Email submission, if allowed or specified in the BDS, shall be governed as follows:
	 Electronic files that form part of the proposal must be in accordance with the format and requirements indicated in BDS;
	b) The Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal files MUST BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE. The financial proposal shall be encrypted with different passwords and clearly labelled. The files must be sent to the dedicated email address specified in the BDS.
eTendering submission	c) The password for opening the Financial Proposal should be provided only upon request of UNDP. UNDP will request password only from bidders whose Technical Proposal has been found to be technically responsive. Failure to provide correct password may result in the proposal being rejected.
	22.6 Electronic submission through eTendering, if allowed or specified in the BDS, shall be governed as follows:
	a) Electronic files that form part of the proposal must be in accordance with the format and requirements indicated in BDS;
	b) The Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal files MUST BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE and each of them must be uploaded individually and clearly labelled.
	d) The Financial Proposal file must be encrypted with a password so that it cannot be opened nor viewed until the password is provided. The password

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	decisions may, at UNDP's decision, result in the rejection of its Proposal and may be subject to the application of prevailing UNDP's vendor sanctions procedures.
27. Evaluation of Proposals	27.1 The Bidder is not permitted to alter or modify its Proposal in any way after the proposal submission deadline except as permitted under Clause 24 of this RFP. UNDP will conduct the evaluation solely on the basis of the submitted Technical and Financial Proposals.
	 27.2 Evaluation of proposals is made of the following steps: a) Preliminary Examination b) Minimum Eligibility and Qualification (if pre-qualification is not done) c) Evaluation of Technical Proposals d) Evaluation of Financial Proposals
28. Preliminary Examination	28.1 UNDP shall examine the Proposals to determine whether they are complete with respect to minimum documentary requirements, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the Proposals are generally in order, among other indicators that may be used at this stage. UNDP reserves the right to reject any Proposal at this stage.
29. Evaluation of Eligibility and Qualification	29.1 Eligibility and Qualification of the Bidder will be evaluated against the Minimum Eligibility/Qualification requirements specified in the Section 4 (Evaluation Criteria).
	 29.2 In general terms, vendors that meet the following criteria may be considered qualified: e) They are not included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 Committee's list of terrorists and terrorist financiers, and in UNDP's ineligible vendors' list; f) They have a good financial standing and have access to adequate financial resources to perform the contract and all existing commercial commitments, g) They have the necessary similar experience, technical expertise, production capacity where applicable, quality certifications, quality assurance procedures and other resources applicable to the provision of the services required; h) They are able to comply fully with UNDP General Terms and Conditions of Contract; i) They do not have a consistent history of court/arbitral award decisions against the Bidder; and j) They have a record of timely and satisfactory performance with their clients.
30. Evaluation of Technical and Financial Proposals	30.1 The evaluation team shall review and evaluate the Technical Proposals on the basis of their responsiveness to the Terms of Reference and other RFP documents, applying the evaluation criteria, sub-criteria, and point system specified in the Section 4 (Evaluation Criteria). A Proposal shall be rendered non-responsive at the technical evaluation stage if it fails to achieve the minimum technical score indicated in the BDS. When necessary and if stated in the BDS, UNDP may invite technically responsive bidders for a presentation related to their technical proposals. The conditions for the presentation shall be provided in the bid document where required.
	30.2 In the second stage, only the Financial Proposals of those Bidders who achieve the minimum technical score will be opened for evaluation. The Financial

	Proposals corresponding to Technical Proposals that were rendered non-
	responsive shall remain unopened, and, in the case of manual submission, be returned to the Bidder unopened. For emailed Proposals and e-tendering submissions, UNDP will not request for the password of the Financial Proposals of bidders whose Technical Proposal were found not responsive.
	30.3 The evaluation method that applies for this RFP shall be as indicated in the BDS, which may be either of two (2) possible methods, as follows: (a) the lowest priced method which selects the lowest evaluated financial proposal of the technically responsive Bidders; or (b) the combined scoring method which will be based on a combination of the technical and financial score.
	30.4 When the BDS specifies a combined scoring method, the formula for the rating of the Proposals will be as follows:
	Rating the Technical Proposal (TP):
	TP Rating = (Total Score Obtained by the Offer / Max. Obtainable Score for TP) x 100
	Rating the Financial Proposal (FP):
	FP Rating = (Lowest Priced Offer / Price of the Offer Being Reviewed) x 100
	Total Combined Score:
	Combined Score = (TP Rating) x (Weight of TP, e.g. 70%) + (FP Rating) x (Weight of FP,
	e.g., 30%)
31. Due Diligence	31.1 UNDP reserves the right to undertake a due diligence exercise, also called post qualification, aimed at determining to its satisfaction, the validity of the information provided by the Bidder. Such exercise shall be fully documented and may include, but need not be limited to, all or any combination of the following:
	 a) Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of information provided by the Bidder; b) Validation of extent of compliance to the RFP requirements and evaluation criteria based on what has so far been found by the evaluation team; c) Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with jurisdiction
	on the Bidder, or with previous clients, or any other entity that may have done business with the Bidder;d) Inquiry and reference checking with previous clients on the performance
	on on-going or contracts completed, including physical inspections of previous works, as necessary;
	e) Physical inspection of the Bidder's offices, branches or other places where business transpires, with or without notice to the Bidder;f) Other means that UNDP may deem appropriate, at any stage within the
	selection process, prior to awarding the contract.
2) Clarification of	
32. Clarification of Proposals	32.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Proposals, UNDP may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its Proposal.

	32.3	change in the prices or substance of the Proposal shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to provide clarification, and confirm the correction of any arithmetic errors discovered by UNDP in the evaluation of the Proposals, in accordance with RFP. Any unsolicited clarification submitted by a Bidder in respect to its Proposal, which is not a response to a request by UNDP, shall not be considered during the review and evaluation of the Proposals.	
33. Responsiveness of Proposal	33.1	UNDP's determination of a Proposal's responsiveness will be based on the contents of the Proposal itself. A substantially responsive Proposal is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, TOR and other requirements of the RFP without material deviation, reservation, or omission.	
	33.2	If a Proposal is not substantially responsive, it shall be rejected by UNDP and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.	
34. Nonconformitie s, Reparable Errors and	34.1	Provided that a Proposal is substantially responsive, UNDP may waive any non- conformities or omissions in the Proposal that, in the opinion of UNDP, do not constitute a material deviation.	
Omissions	34.2	UNDP may request the Bidder to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify nonmateria nonconformities or omissions in the Proposal related to documentation requirements. Such omission shall not be related to any aspect of the price of the Proposal. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Proposal.	
	34.3	For Financial Proposal that has been opened, UNDP shall check and correct arithmetical errors as follows:	
		 a) if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the line item total that is obtained by multiplying the unit price by the quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the line item total shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of UNDP there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price; in which case the line item total as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected; 	
		b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and	
		c) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail.	
	34.4	If the Bidder does not accept the correction of errors made by UNDP, its Proposal shall be rejected.	
E. AWARD OF CONT	RACT		
35. Right to Accept, Reject, Any or All Proposals	35.1	UNDP reserves the right to accept or reject any Proposal, to render any or all of the Proposals as non-responsive, and to reject all Proposals at any time prior to award of contract, without incurring any liability, or obligation to inform the affected Bidder(s) of the grounds for UNDP's action. UNDP shall not be obliged to award the contract to the lowest priced offer.	

36. Award Criteria	36.1	Prior to expiration of the proposal validity, UNDP shall award the contract to the qualified Bidder based on the award criteria indicated in the BDS.
37. Debriefing	37.1	In the event that a Bidder is unsuccessful, the Bidder may request a debriefing from UNDP. The purpose of the debriefing is to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the Bidder's submission, in order to assist the Bidder in improving its future proposals for UNDP procurement opportunities. The content of other proposals and how they compare to the Bidder's submission shall not be discussed.
38. Right to Vary Requirements at the Time of Award	38.1	At the time of award of Contract, UNDP reserves the right to vary the quantity of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty-five per cent (25%) of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.
39. Contract Signature	39.1	Within fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of the Contract, the successful Bidder shall sign and date the Contract and return it to UNDP. Failure to do so may constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award, and forfeiture of the Proposal Security, if any, and on which event, UNDP may award the Contract to the Second Ranked Bidder or call for new Proposals.
40. Contract Type and General Terms and Conditions	40.1	The types of Contract to be signed and the applicable UNDP Contract General Terms and Conditions, as specified in BDS, can be accessed at http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html
41. Performance Security	41.1	40.1 A performance security, if required in BDS, shall be provided in the amount specified in BDS and form available at https://popp.undp.org/ layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc=/UNDP POPP DOCUMENT LIBRARY/Public/PSU Solicitation Performance%20Guarantee%20 Form.docx&action=default within fifteen (15) days of the contract signature by both parties. Where a performance security is required, the receipt of the performance security by UNDP shall be a condition for rendering the contract effective.
42. Bank Guarantee for Advanced Payment	42.1	Except when the interests of UNDP so require, it is UNDP's preference to make no advance payment(s) (i.e., payments without having received any outputs). If an advance payment is allowed as per BDS, and exceeds 20% of the total contract price, or USD 30,000, whichever is less, the Bidder shall submit a Bank Guarantee in the full amount of the advance payment in the form available at https://popp.undp.org/ layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc=/UNDP_POPP_
43. Liquidated Damages	43.1	If specified in BDS, UNDP shall apply Liquidated Damages resulting from the Contractor's delays or breach of its obligations as per the Contract.
44. Payment	44.1	Payment will be made only upon UNDP's acceptance of the work performed.

Provisions	The terms of payment shall be within thirty (30) days, after receipt of invoice and certification of acceptance of work issued by the proper authority in UNDP with direct supervision of the Contractor. Payment will be effected by bank transfer in the currency of contract.
45. Vendor Protest	45.1 UNDP's vendor protest procedure provides an opportunity for appeal to those persons or firms not awarded a contract through a competitive procurement process. In the event that a Bidder believes that it was not treated fairly, the following link provides further details regarding UNDP vendor protest procedures: <u>http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/busine ss/protest-and-sanctions.html</u>
46. Other Provisions	46.1 In the event that the Bidder offers a lower price to the host Government (e.g. General Services Administration (GSA) of the federal government of the United States of America) for similar services, UNDP shall be entitled to same lower price. The UNDP General Terms and Conditions shall have precedence.
	46.2 UNDP is entitled to receive the same pricing offered by the same Contractor in contracts with the United Nations and/or its Agencies. The UNDP General Terms and Conditions shall have precedence.
	46.3 The United Nations has established restrictions on employment of (former) UN staff who have been involved in the procurement process as per bulletin ST/SGB/2006/15 http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=ST/SGB/2006/15&refererer

SECTION 3. BID DATA SHEET

The following data for the services to be procured shall complement, supplement, or amend the provisions in the Request for Proposals. In the case of a conflict between the Instructions to Bidders, the Data Sheet, and other annexes or references attached to the Data Sheet, the provisions in the Data Sheet shall prevail.

BDS No.	Ref. to Section.2	Data	Specific Instructions / Requirements
1	7	Language of the Proposal	English
2		Submitting Proposals for Parts or sub-parts of the TOR (partial bids)	Not Allowed
3	20	Alternative Proposals	Shall not be considered
4	21	Pre-proposal conference	Will not be conducted
5	10	Proposal Validity Period	90 days
6	14	Bid Security	Not Required
7	41	Advanced Payment upon signing of contract	Not Allowed
8	42	Liquidated Damages	Will be imposed as follows: Percentage of contract price per day of delay: 0.5% Max. number of days of delay 10, after which UNDP may terminate the contract.

9	40	Performance Security	Not Required
10	18	Currency of Proposal	United States Dollar
11	31	Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications/ questions	7 days before the submission deadline
12	31	Contact Details for submitting clarifications/questions	bidsubmission.sz@undp.org Subject: RFP-SWZ-003-2021
13	18, 19 and 21	Manner of Disseminating Supplemental Information to the RFP and responses/clarification s to queries	Posted directly to e-Tendering
14	23	Deadline for Submission	30 July 2021 For e-Tendering submission - as indicated in e-Tendering system. Note that system time zone is in EST/EDT (New York) time zone.
14	22	Allowable Manner of Submitting Proposals	 Courier/Hand Delivery Submission by email e-Tendering
15	22	Proposal Submission Address	Through the e-Tendering Platform in Atlas[For e-Tendering method, keep link below and insert Event IDinformation]https://etendering.partneragencies.orgBusiness Unit; SWZ10Event ID number; 0000009827
16	22	Electronic submission (email or eTendering) requirements	 Format: PDF files only File names must be maximum 60 characters long and must not contain any letter or special character other than from Latin alphabet/keyboard. All files must be free of viruses and not corrupted. Password for technical proposal <u>must</u> not be provided to UNDP until the date as indicated in No. 14 (<i>for email submission only</i>)

			 Password for financial proposal <u>must</u> not be provided to UNDP until requested by UNDP Max. File Size per transmission: N/A Mandatory subject of email: RFP-SWZ-003-2021 Documents which are required in original (e.g., Proposal Security) should be sent to the below address with a PDF copy submitted as part of the electronic submission: <u>Bidsubmission.sz@undp.org</u>
17	27 36	Evaluation Method for the Award of Contract	Combined Scoring Method, using the 70%-30% distribution for technical and financial proposals respectively The minimum technical score required to pass is 70%.
18		Expected date for commencement of Contract	Upon Award
19		Maximum expected duration of contract	90 days over 8months
20	35	UNDP will award the contract to:	One Proposer Only
21	39	Type of Contract	Purchase Order <u>http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html</u>
22	39	UNDP Contract Terms and Conditions that will apply	UNDP General Terms and Conditions for Professional Services http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we- buy.html
23		Other Information Related to the RFP	[All other instructions and information not yet mentioned so far in this Data Sheet but are relevant to the RFP must be cited here, and any further entries that may be added below this table row]

Preliminary Examination Criteria

Proposals will be examined to determine whether they are complete and submitted in accordance with RFP requirements as per below criteria on a Yes/No basis:

- Appropriate signatures
- Power of Attorney
- Minimum documents provided
- Technical and Financial Proposals submitted separately
- Bid Validity
- Bid Security submitted as per RFP requirements with compliant validity period

Minimum Eligibility and Qualification Criteria

Eligibility and Qualification will be evaluated on Pass/Fail basis.

If the Proposal is submitted as a Joint Venture/Consortium/Association, each member should meet minimum criteria, unless otherwise specified in the criterion.

Subject	Criteria	Document Submission requirement
ELIGIBILITY		
Legal Status	Vendor is a legally registered entity.	Form B: Bidder Information Form
Eligibility	Vendor is not suspended, nor debarred, nor otherwise identified as ineligible by any UN Organization or the World Bank Group or any other international Organization in accordance with ITB clause 3.	Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form
Conflict of Interest	No conflicts of interest in accordance with ITB clause 4.	Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form
Bankruptcy	Not declared bankruptcy, not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against the vendor that could impair its operations in the foreseeable future.	Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form
QUALIFICATION		
History of Non- Performing Contracts ¹	Non-performance of a contract did not occur as a result of contractor default for the last 3 years.	Form D: Qualification Form
Litigation History	No consistent history of court/arbitral award decisions against the Bidder for the last 3 years.	Form D: Qualification Form

¹ Non-performance, as decided by UNDP, shall include all contracts where (a) non-performance was not challenged by the contractor, including through referral to the dispute resolution mechanism under the respective contract, and (b) contracts that were so challenged but fully settled against the contractor. Non-performance shall not include contracts where Employers decision was overruled by the dispute resolution mechanism. Non-performance must be based on all information on fully settled disputes or litigation, i.e. dispute or litigation that has been resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution mechanism under the respective contract and where all appeal instances available to the Bidder have been exhausted.

Previous	Minimum 5 years of relevant experience.	Form D: Qualification Form
Experience	Minimum 3 contracts of similar value, nature and complexity implemented over the last 3 years. (For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively should meet requirement).	Form D: Qualification Form
Financial Standing	Minimum average annual turnover of USD 200,000 for the last 3 years. (For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively should meet requirement).	Form D: Qualification Form
	Bidder must demonstrate the current soundness of its financial standing and indicate its prospective long-term profitability. (For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively should meet requirement).	Form D: Qualification Form

Technical Evaluation Criteria

Summ	Summary of Technical Proposal Evaluation Forms		
1.	Bidder's qualification, capacity and experience	300	
2.	Proposed Methodology, Approach and Implementation Plan	400	
3.	Management Structure and Key Personnel	300	
	Total	1000	

Sectio	n 1. Bidder's qualification, capacity and experience	Points obtainable
1.1	Reputation of Organization and Staff Credibility / Reliability / Industry Standing	50
1.2	General Organizational Capability which is likely to affect implementation: management structure, financial stability and project financing capacity, project management controls, extent to which any work would be subcontracted	90
1.3	Relevance of specialized knowledge and experience on similar engagements done in the region/country	70
1.4	Quality assurance procedures and risk mitigation measures	60
1.5	Organizational Commitment to Sustainability (mandatory weight) -Organization is compliant with ISO 14001 or ISO 14064 or equivalent – 20 points -Organization is a member of the UN Global Compact -5 points -Organization demonstrates significant commitment to sustainability through some other means- 5 points, for example internal company policy documents on women empowerment, renewable energies or membership of trade institutions promoting such issues	30
	Total Section 1	300

Section 2. Proposed Methodology, Approach and Implementation Plan		Points obtainable
2.1	Understanding of the requirement: Have the important aspects of the task been addressed in sufficient detail? Are the different components of the project adequately weighted relative to one another?	80
2.2	Description of the Offeror's approach and methodology for meeting or exceeding the requirements of the Terms of Reference	100
2.3	Details on how the different service elements shall be organized, controlled and delivered	50
2.4	Description of available performance monitoring and evaluation mechanisms and tools; how they shall be adopted and used for a specific requirement	50

2.5	Assessment of the implementation plan proposed including whether the activities are properly sequenced and if these are logical and realistic	70
2.6	Demonstration of ability to plan, integrate and effectively implement sustainability measures in the execution of the contract	50
	Total Section 2	400

Sectio	n 3. Management Structure and Key Personnel		Points obtainable
3.1	Composition and structure of the team proposed. Are the proposed roles of the management and the team of key personnel suitable for the provision of the necessary services?		60
3.2	Qualifications of key personnel proposed		
3.2 a	Team Leader-Environmental Science		120
	- General Experience	30	
	- Specific Experience relevant to the assignment	50	
	- Regional/International experience	30	
	- Language Qualifications	10	_
3.2 b	Senior Expert-Legal and policy		80
	- General Experience	10	
	- Specific Experience relevant to the assignment	40	_
	- Regional/International experience	20	_
	- Language Qualifications	10	_
3.2 c	Expert –Environment Economist		40
	- General Experience	5	
	- Specific Experience relevant to the assignment	15	
	- Regional/International experience	10	-
	- Language Qualifications	10	_
3.2 d	Expert- Gender		30
	- General Experience	5	
	- Specific Experience Relevant to assignment	15	
	- Regional/ International Experience	10	
	- Language Qualifications	10	
			30

Total Section 3	330
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Application Type:	External Vacancy		
Job Title:	Consultancy Services to Carry Out Activities under the Waste Management for Improved Livelihoods and Resilience Project		
Category:	Environment and Climate Change		
Brand:	UNDP		
Application Deadline:	To be Advised		
Duty Station:	Home Based		
Type of Contract:	Consultancy Team		
Languages Required:	English		
Starting Date:	To be advised		
Duration of Contract:	90 days within 3 months		

DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENECE:

1. Background

One of the most pressing issues as Eswatini responds to the COVID-19 pandemic is management of waste generated (prevention, testing and treatment) from the disposal of used masks, testing kits, regents etc. which requires a Management System/Framework to avoid littering and re-infections. The waste challenge is compounded by limited policy and legislative framework, limited capacity to deal with certain types of waste e.g., electronic waste and the increasing health care waste, particularly now during the pandemic, lack of policy framework on issues of waste management as well as the fragmented and uncoordinated enforcement and compliance mechanism. This project therefore seeks to not only address the challenge of waste management in Eswatini, but will also empower Micro Small Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), particularly women and youth, to regain sources of income to improve livelihoods, reduce levels of poverty and improve their overall wellbeing. Eswatini Environment Authority in collaboration with UNDP will assist waste management partners to adopt a holistic approach to waste management, whereby the maximum amount of waste is part of a closed-loop process chain, thus creating a sustainable value chain and economy, and minimizing pollution and other negative externalities from this sector. The interventions will also contribute to long-term transformation and long-lasting changes in policy, practice and capacities, at national or subnational levels in the waste sector and also stimulate private sector engagement in the waste management sector.

2. Purpose and Scope of the Assignment

The primary scope of this assignment is to create an enabling environment in order to improve the livelihood and resilience of the vulnerable groups involved in waste management in Eswatini.

The consultancy work involves policy and legislative framework analysis to identify gaps, barriers, opportunities to apply the best environmental management principles and practices such as the extended producer responsibility, the polluter pays principle and capacity development needs assessment during formulation of a comprehensive all-inclusive waste management and pollution prevention and control policy and development of a strategy and its implementation plan as well as making recommendation of the requisite key interventions required to create an enabling environment for development of a sustainable waste value chain. It is also expected that recommendations be made for legislative and policy improvements.

The consultancy will undertake activities that will yield to the understanding of the composition of solid waste in the country (waste characterization) and the estimation of the waste generation rate for either

the country and/or in economic classes (i.e. low income group, middle income group and high income group) and/or for rural and urban household.

The consultancy will also facilitate the development of guidelines for waste management (i.e. collection, storage, sorting, recycling and recovery, transportation and disposal) including health and safety standards for waste handers (workers and rummagers) with the assistance of the University of Eswatini and collaborating with the Safety Health Environment Risk and Quality (SHERQ) Forum and the Institute of Waste Management of Southern Africa (IWMSA)-Eswatini Chapter. Finally the consultancy will involve capacity-building for local and national beneficiaries, as well as value chain beneficiaries with a focus on women. The consultancy will aim to take a gender inclusive approach during the various tasks outlined under the duties and responsibilities, ensuring to clearly outline the impacts on women, men, and other marginalized communities such as the LGBTQ2I.

The Consultancy is expected to:

- a) Prepare work plan related to the project outlining the activities and time frame.
- b) Conduct a gap analysis on policy and legislative framework to identify barriers, gaps, opportunities and capacity development needs, extended producer responsibility (e.g. for companies to take back the waste generated from their products) as well as the key interventions required to create an enabling environment for development of a sustainable waste value chain. Develop policy recommendations with the aim/purpose, objective, and goals taking into consideration the gap analysis on policy, legislative framework, and capacity of the Ministry, Authority, local Authorities and other government ministries.
- c) Compile an inventory of residual solid waste audit using data and reports from across Eswatini
- d) Compare and harmonize collected residual solid waste data using the primary categories and by waste source (sector), where possible:

PRIMARY CATEGORIES		
Degradable materials Non-degradable materials		
Food waste Ferrous and none ferrous		
Waste Paper Plastic waste material		
Wood and Yard & Garden waste Construction/Building Material waste		
Leather waste Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment		
Other (Organics) Household Hazardous		
Other (Non-Organics)		
Other-inert (neither organics nor non-organics) e.g. Glass, Rubber		

- e) Provide a comparison of the characterization of waste across three sectors Residential, Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI) and Demolition, Land-Clearing and Construction (DLC).
- f) Compute/Estimate the percentage of each waste stream in each primary material category disposed, with a focus on recyclable and degradable, organic material, by territory/site and prepare a corresponding national weighted average
- g) Estimate the per capita disposal for residual solid waste in each primary material (kg/capita) by site/territory and the corresponding national per capita disposal rate (kg/capita)
- h) Review the National Solid Waste Management Strategy of 2002, the draft Integrated Waste Management and Pollution Prevention & Control Policy of 2016.
- i) Develop guidelines for waste collection, sorting, recycling and disposal (including health and safety standards for workers) with the assistance of the University of Eswatini and collaborating with the Safety Health Environment Risk and Quality (SHERQ) Forum and the Institute of Waste Management of Southern Africa (IWMSA)-Eswatini Chapter.
- j) Develop the Integrated Waste Management and Pollution Prevention & Control strategy goals with a clear description. Propose 'SMART' indicators and their associated targets. The strategy

should include capacity building and the integration of the extended producer responsibility into the compliance and enforcement regime.

- k) Develop a Regulatory model to be followed in order to achieve the goals and objectives of the strategy and comply with/complement/supplement the Integrated Waste Management Pollution Prevention & Control (IWMPPC) Policy in a tiered and consensual approach
- I) Identify areas of partnerships and co-regulation
- m) Propose the activities/roles for government, the Authority, local authorities and the private sector.
- n) Identify existing regulatory and economic instruments and propose any missing regulatory and economic instruments that will give effect to the strategy
- o) Develop the strategy implementation plan (Action Plan) with clear responsibilities, assigned timelines and associated success factors.

Specific Activities

- (a) Undertake a gap analysis on policy, legislative framework, capacity (of the Ministry, the Authority, local authorities, and other government ministries)
- (b) Undertake a gap analysis on waste value chain development in order that the policy recommendations, the strategy and its implementation plan, the guidelines and the capacity-building workshops take into consideration the waste value chain.
- (c) Define in the context of IWMPPC approach
 - (i) Best Practicable Environmental Option
 - (ii) **The primary categories of waste and across three sectors** (Residential, Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI), Demolition & Land-Clearing and Construction (DLC).
 - (iii) Cradle to Cradle and Cradle to Grave in the Circular Economy context
- (d) Ensure that the policy recommendations have an element of mainstreaming gender balance and inclusiveness
- (e) Undertake capacity building workshops are equitable, accessible and representative with 50% of attendee's being women
- (f) Outline the relevant and applicable principles
- (g) Explore the key priority areas in waste management

(i) Minimizing consumption of natural resources	(ii) Sustainable development	
(iii) Waste Avoidance and Minimization	(iv) Effective waste service delivery to all	
(v) Waste recovery, re-use and recycling	(vi) Waste management reporting and planning	
(vii) Waste treatment and safe disposal	viii) Capacity building	
(ix) Pollution prevention and control	(x) Compliance and Enforcement	

3. Qualifications and Competencies of Consultancy Team:

A gender balanced Consultancy team must be in possession of (combination) a Postgraduate University Degree or better in the following:

- a) Team Leader-Environmental Sciences or any related field (International)
- b) Legal and policy Expert-Environmental Law or any related field (National)
- c) Environmental Economist-Environmental Economist or any related field or Business Administration with Economics/Market Research Analysis specialization or any related field (National)
- d) Gender and social development expert (National)

Experience Requirements:

Team Leader:

- a) At least fifteen (15) years of experience in environmental management with a particular focus on chemical and waste management projects. PhD in Environmental Sciences is a plus
- b) At least five (5) years of experience leading teams in waste management and livelihoods projects
- c) Past proven experience in undertaking stakeholder engagement workshops

The rest of the team must:

- a) Demonstrate to have undertaken related or similar assignments e.g. projects under the chemicals and waste management as well as under climate change.
- b) Demonstrate an understanding of the Basel Convention, Rotterdam Convention and Stockholm Convention (the BRS); Bamako Convention; United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
- c) Demonstrate experience with management and implementation of a multi-stakeholder project.

Core Competencies of team:

- a) Demonstrate commitment to UNDP's mission, vision and values.
- b) Displays cultural, gender, religion, race, nationality and age sensitivity and adaptability.
- c) Highest standards of integrity, discretion and loyalty

Language:

- Fluency in English is required
- Understanding of and ability to work in SiSwati is a plus

Experience and competencies of team members

- a) Legal and policy expert-Environmental Law or any related field-Legal and Policy Expert
- b) Environmental Economist-Environmental Economist or any related field or Business Administration with Economics/Market Research Analysis specialization or any related field
- c) Gender and social development expert

4. Expected Deliverables:

The Consultant shall produce the following:

- a) Work plan for the consultancy
 - (i) Outline of the table of contents of the Gap Assessment
 - (ii) Interview tool inclusive of a questionnaire
- b) Gap analysis report on policy and legislative framework identifying barriers, gaps, opportunities and capacity development needs, extended producer responsibility (e.g. for companies to take back the waste generated from their products) as well as the key interventions required to create an enabling environment for development of a sustainable waste value chain. Make corresponding recommendations on the identified gaps, opportunities, capacity development needs and extended producer responsibility.
- c) Develop recommendations on **national Integrated Waste Management and Pollution Prevention** & Control that may be used towards developing a robust policy
- d) Develop a **national Integrated Waste Management and Pollution Prevention & Control Strategy and** the corresponding **Implementation Plan (Action Plan)** that will include issues of capacity building and the extended producer responsibility, circular economy model and other environmental management principles.
- e) Develop guidelines on:
 - (i) **Waste management** (collection, transportation, recycling and disposal) including health and safety standards for handers.
 - (ii) Designating of waste control areas
 - (iii) Development operation and maintenance of waste disposal facilities
- f) Facilitate during the national inception, stakeholder consultation and validation workshops to solicit, share and update information on the national Integrated Waste Management and Pollution Prevention & Control Policy and Strategy, as well as the implementation plan.
- g) Undertake capacity building for local and national government as well as value chain beneficiaries.
- Produce four workshop reports i.e. Inception Workshop Report, Consultation (Workshop) Report, The Validation Workshop Report and the capacity building report. Consultative meetings with key stakeholders are anticipated as part of this effort.
- i) Final project report.

The **inception**, **consultation**, **validation** and **capacity building reports** are to be submitted in soft (word and PDF) copy and hard copy.

Deliverable	Duration (days)	Approval Required	
Deliverable 1: Inception	5	EEA Team Leader;	
report		UNDP Team Leader	
Deliverable 2: Waste	20	EEA Team Leader;	
Characterization and		UNDP Team Leader	
Market Study Report			
Deliverable 3: Policy	20	EEA Team Leader;	
and Legal Analysis		UNDP Team Leader	
Report			
Deliverable 4: Waste	20	EEA Team Leader;	
Collection Guidelines		UNDP Team Leader	
Deliverable 5: Capacity	20	EEA Team Leader;	
Building Assessment/		UNDP Team Leader	
Feedback report			
Deliverable 6: Final	5	EEA Team Leader;	
Report		UNDP Team Leader	

5. Payment Schedule:

Payment will be on submission of satisfactory deliverables/ outputs as follows:

Deliverable	Payment	Approval Required	
Deliverable 1: Inception	20%	EEA Team Leader;	
Report		UNDP Team Leader	
Deliverable 2: (Waste	30%	EEA Team Leader;	
characterization report)		UNDP Team Leader	
and			
Deliverable 3: policy			
and legal analysis			
reports			
Deliverable 4: Waste	30%	EEA Team Leader;	
Collection guidelines		UNDP Team Leader	
Deliverable 5 and 6:	20%	EEA Team Leader;	
Final report		UNDP Team Leader	

6. Obligation of the Client (EEA)

The Client shall provide the Consultant the following:

- a) Key contact person.
- b) Information necessary to facilitate the assignment:
 - ✓ National Solid Waste Management Strategy of 2002,
 - ✓ Draft Integrated Waste Management and Pollution Prevention & Control Policy.
 - ✓ Draft Integrated Waste Management and Pollution Prevention & Control Strategy and Action Plan
- 7. Obligations of the Consultant

The Consultancy proposal shall provide the following:

a) Key contact person including physical address, email and telephone/ cellphone number

8. Evaluation Criteria

The proposal shall be evaluated in two stages; technical and financial. It is expected that two (2) proposal be submitted by bidders one for technical in sealed envelope and one financial in separate sealed envelope.

THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

The consultancy must propose in its offer a methodology (understanding of ToR, strategy, timetable of activities and statement of availability) based on the instructions given in the Terms of Reference. Any comments on the ToR for the successful execution of activities, in particular regarding the objectives and expected results, thus demonstrating the degree of understanding of the project.

Previous lessons learnt especially in execution of similar services in the region. Opinion on the key issues related to the achievement of the project objectives and expected results. An explanation of the risks and assumptions affecting the execution of the project.

An outline of the approach proposed for contract implementation, a list of the proposed tasks you consider necessary to achieve the project objectives, inputs and outputs.

Work plan & timetable of activities: Outline the plan for the implementation of the main activities/tasks of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the contracting authority and taking into account travel time). The identification and timing of major milestones in executing the project, including an indication of how the achievement of these

would be reflected in any reports, particularly those stipulated in these Terms of Reference. The technical proposal shall be evaluated under the following criteria points and each criteria point shall contribute as indicated in parenthesis (brackets):

- a) Team of proposed professional staff and the services/activities to be performed by each team member [qualifications and skills (25%)].
- b) Demonstrated understanding of the terms of reference (10%).
- c) Experience in chemical and waste management and climate change projects as well as participation/involvement in technical/expert groups at national and international level. (25%).
- d) Methodology of the execution of the consultancy work in order to deliver timely and quality of work (40%).

Financial Proposal/Plan

Financial proposal shall indicate all the items and its associated cost such as professional fees, travel costs, activities (e.g. sampling and sample analysis costs) in a format similar to the one below.

ltem #	Description	Unit Cost	Quantity	Total Cost
1	Management Fee			
Sub-total 1				
2	Travel			
Sub-total 2	·			
3	Activities			
	Activity 1			
	Activity 2			
	Activity 3			
Sub-total 3				
4	Professional fees			
	Team member 1			
	Team member 2			
	Team member 3			
Sub-total 4				
5	Reimbursable			
Sub-total 5				
6	Value added Tax			
GRAND TOTAL				

The overall project proposal shall be evaluated in the following ratio wherein 70% Technical and 30% financial.

9. Criteria for Selection of the Best Offer

In addition to minimum requirements, the following will be used to select the best candidate for the consultancy will be based on a combined Scoring method –qualifications and methodology will be weighted a max. of 70% and combined with the price offer which will be weighted a max of 30%.

10. Approval:

These Terms of Reference (ToR) are approved by:

Signature: _____

Name and Designation: Shaima Hussein, Deputy Resident Representative

Date of Signing: _____

SECTION 6: RETURNABLE BIDDING FORMS / CHECKLIST

This form serves as a checklist for preparation of your Proposal. Please complete the Returnable Bidding Forms in accordance with the instructions in the forms and return them as part of your Proposal submission. No alteration to format of forms shall be permitted and no substitution shall be accepted.

Before submitting your Proposal, please ensure compliance with the Proposal Submission instructions of the BDS 22.

Technical Proposal Envelope:

Have you duly completed all the Returnable Bidding Forms?	
 Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form 	
 Form B: Bidder Information Form 	
 Form C: Joint Venture/Consortium/ Association Information Form 	
 Form D: Qualification Form 	
 Form E: Format of Technical Proposal 	
 Form H: Proposal Security Form 	
Have you provided the required documents to establish compliance with the evaluation criteria in Section 4?	

Financial Proposal Envelope

(Must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope/password protected email)

 Form F: Financial Proposal Submission Form 	
 Form G: Financial Proposal Form 	

FORM A: TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services for [Insert Title of services] in accordance with your Request for Proposal No. [Insert RFP Reference Number] and our Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal and our Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelope.

We hereby declare that our firm, its affiliates or subsidiaries or employees, including any JV/Consortium /Association members or subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract:

a) is not under procurement prohibition by the United Nations, including but not limited to prohibitions derived from the Compendium of United Nations Security Council Sanctions Lists;

- b) have not been suspended, debarred, sanctioned or otherwise identified as ineligible by any UN Organization or the World Bank Group or any other international Organization;
- c) have no conflict of interest in accordance with Instruction to Bidders Clause 4;
- d) do not employ, or anticipate employing, any person(s) who is, or has been a UN staff member within the last year, if said UN staff member has or had prior professional dealings with our firm in his/her capacity as UN staff member within the last three years of service with the UN (in accordance with UN post-employment restrictions published in ST/SGB/2006/15);
- e) have not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against them that could impair their operations in the foreseeable future;
- f) undertake not to engage in proscribed practices, including but not limited to corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice, with the UN or any other party, and to conduct business in a manner that averts any financial, operational, reputational or other undue risk to the UN and we embrace the principles of the United Nations Supplier Code of Conduct and adhere to the principles of the United Nations Global Compact.

We declare that all the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and we accept that any misinterpretation or misrepresentation contained in this Proposal may lead to our disqualification and/or sanctioning by the UNDP.

We offer to provide services in conformity with the Bidding documents, including the UNDP General Conditions of Contract and in accordance with the Terms of Reference

Our Proposal shall be valid and remain binding upon us for the period of time specified in the Bid Data Sheet.

We understand and recognize that you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive.

I, the undersigned, certify that I am duly authorized by [Insert Name of Bidder] to sign this Proposal and bind it should UNDP accept this Proposal.

Signature: _____

[Stamp with official stamp of the Bidder]

FORM B: BIDDER INFORMATION FORM

Legal name of Bidder	[Complete]	
Legal address	[Complete]	
Year of registration	[Complete]	
Bidder's Authorized Representative Information	Name and Title: [Complete] Telephone numbers: [Complete] Email: [Complete]	
Are you a UNGM registered vendor?	□ Yes □ No If yes, [insert UGNM vendor number]	
Are you a UNDP vendor?	□ Yes □ No If yes, [insert UNDP vendor number]	
Countries of operation	[Complete]	
No. of full-time employees	[Complete]	
Quality Assurance Certification (e.g. ISO 9000 or Equivalent) (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	[Complete]	
Does your Company hold any accreditation such as ISO 14001 related to the environment? (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	[Complete]	
Does your Company have a written Statement of its Environmental Policy? (If yes, provide a Copy)	[Complete]	
Contact person UNDP may contact for requests for clarification during Proposal evaluation	Name and Title: [Complete] Telephone numbers: [Complete] Email: [Complete]	
Please attach the following documents:	 Company Profile, which should <u>not</u> exceed fifteen (15) pages, including printed brochures and product catalogues relevant to the goods/services being procured Certificate of Incorporation/ Business Registration Tax Registration/Payment Certificate issued by the Internal Revenue Authority evidencing that the Bidder is updated with its tax payment obligations, or Certificate of Tax exemption, if any such privilege is enjoyed by the Bidder Trade name registration papers, if applicable Local Government permit to locate and operate in assignment location, if applicable Official Letter of Appointment as local representative, if Bidder is submitting a Bid in behalf of an entity located outside the country Power of Attorney 	

FORM C: JOINT VENTURE/CONSORTIUM/ASSOCIATION INFORMATION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

To be completed and returned with your Proposal if the Proposal is submitted as a Joint Venture/Consortium/Association.

Νο	Name of Partner and contact information (address, telephone numbers, fax numbers, e-mail address)	Proposed proportion of responsibilities (in %) and type of services to be performed
1	[Complete]	[Complete]
2	[Complete]	[Complete]
3	[Complete]	[Complete]

Name of leading partner	
(with authority to bind the JV, Consortium,	
Association during the RFP process and, in	[Complete]
the event a Contract is awarded, during	
contract execution)	

We have attached a copy of the below document signed by every partner, which details the likely legal structure of and the confirmation of joint and severable liability of the members of the said joint venture:

 \Box Letter of intent to form a joint venture **OR** \Box JV/Consortium/Association agreement

We hereby confirm that if the contract is awarded, all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium/Association shall be jointly and severally liable to UNDP for the fulfillment of the provisions of the Contract.

Name of partner:	Name of partner:
Signature: Date:	Signature: Date:
Name of partner:	Name of partner:
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date:

FORM D: QUALIFICATION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

If JV/Consortium/Association, to be completed by each partner.

Historical Contract Non-Performance

Contrac	t non-performance o	did not occur for the last 3 years		
Contract(s) not performed for the last 3 years				
Year Non- performed portion of contract Contract Identification Total Contract Amount (current value in US\$)				
		Name of Client: Address of Client: Reason(s) for non-performance:		

Litigation History (including pending litigation)

\Box No litigation history for the last 3 years				
Litigation History as indicated below				
Year of	Amount in	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount	
dispute	dispute (in US\$)		(current value in US\$)	
		Name of Client:		
		Address of Client:		
		Matter in dispute:		
		Party who initiated the dispute:		
		Status of dispute:		
		Party awarded if resolved:		

Previous Relevant Experience

Please list only previous similar assignments successfully completed in the last 3 years.

List only those assignments for which the Bidder was legally contracted or sub-contracted by the Client as a company or was one of the Consortium/JV partners. Assignments completed by the Bidder's individual experts working privately or through other firms cannot be claimed as the relevant experience of the Bidder, or that of the Bidder's partners or sub-consultants, but can be claimed by the Experts themselves in their CVs. The Bidder should be prepared to substantiate the claimed experience by presenting copies of relevant documents and references if so requested by UNDP.

Project name & Country of Assignment	Client & Reference Contact Details	Contract Value	Period of activity and status	Types of activities undertaken

Bidders may also attach their own Project Data Sheets with more details for assignments above.

 $\hfill\square$ Attached are the Statements of Satisfactory Performance from the Top 3 (three) Clients or more.

Financial Standing

Annual Turnover for the last 3 years	Year Year Year	USD USD USD
Latest Credit Rating (if any), indicate the source		

Financial information (in US\$ equivalent)	Historic information for the last 3 years		
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	In	formation from Balance Shee	et
Total Assets (TA)			
Total Liabilities (TL)			
Current Assets (CA)			
Current Liabilities (CL)			
	Info	rmation from Income Statem	ent
Total / Gross Revenue (TR)			
Profits Before Taxes (PBT)			
Net Profit			
Current Ratio			

□ Attached are copies of the audited financial statements (balance sheets, including all related notes, and income statements) for the years required above complying with the following condition:

- a) Must reflect the financial situation of the Bidder or party to a JV, and not sister or parent companies;
- b) Historic financial statements must be audited by a certified public accountant;
- c) Historic financial statements must correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited. No statements for partial periods shall be accepted.

FORM E: FORMAT OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	Preference: [Insert RFP Reference Number]		

The Bidder's proposal should be organized to follow this format of Technical Proposal. Where the bidder is presented with a requirement or asked to use a specific approach, the bidder must not only state its acceptance, but also describe how it intends to comply with the requirements. Where a descriptive response is requested, failure to provide the same will be viewed as non-responsive.

SECTION 1: Bidder's qualification, capacity and expertise

- 1.1 Brief description of the organization, including the year and country of incorporation, and types of activities undertaken.
- 1.2 General organizational capability which is likely to affect implementation: management structure, financial stability and project financing capacity, project management controls, extent to which any work would be subcontracted (if so, provide details).
- 1.3 Relevance of specialized knowledge and experience on similar engagements done in the region/country.
- 1.4 Quality assurance procedures and risk mitigation measures.
- 1.5 Organization's commitment to sustainability.

SECTION 2: Proposed Methodology, Approach and Implementation Plan

This section should demonstrate the bidder's responsiveness to the TOR by identifying the specific components proposed, addressing the requirements, providing a detailed description of the essential performance characteristics proposed and demonstrating how the proposed approach and methodology meets or exceeds the requirements. All important aspects should be addressed in sufficient detail and different components of the project should be adequately weighted relative to one another.

- 2.1 A detailed description of the approach and methodology for how the Bidder will achieve the Terms of Reference of the project, keeping in mind the appropriateness to local conditions and project environment. Details how the different service elements shall be organized, controlled and delivered.
- 2.2 The methodology shall also include details of the Bidder's internal technical and quality assurance review mechanisms.
- 2.3 Explain whether any work would be subcontracted, to whom, how much percentage of the work, the rationale for such, and the roles of the proposed sub-contractors and how everyone will function as a team.
- 2.4 Description of available performance monitoring and evaluation mechanisms and tools; how they shall be adopted and used for a specific requirement.
- 2.5 Implementation plan including a Gantt Chart or Project Schedule indicating the detailed sequence of activities that will be undertaken and their corresponding timing.
- 2.6 Demonstrate how you plan to integrate sustainability measures in the execution of the contract.
- 2.7 Any other comments or information regarding the project approach and methodology that will be adopted.

SECTION 2A: Bidder's Comments and Suggestions on the Terms of Reference

Provide comments and suggestions on the Terms of Reference, or additional services that will be rendered

beyond the requirements of the TOR, if any.

SECTION 3: Management Structure and Key Personnel

- 3.1 Describe the overall management approach toward planning and implementing the project. Include an organization chart for the management of the project describing the relationship of key positions and designations. Provide a spreadsheet to show the activities of each personnel and the time allocated for his/her involvement.
- 3.2 Provide CVs for key personnel that will be provided to support the implementation of this project using the format below. CVs should demonstrate qualifications in areas relevant to the Scope of Services.

Format for CV of Proposed Key Personnel

NAME OF PERSONNEL	[INSERT]
POSITION FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT	[INSERT]
NATIONALITY	[INSERT]
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY	[INSERT]
EDUCATION/ QUALIFICATIONS	[SUMMARIZE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY AND OTHER SPECIALIZED EDUCATION OF PERSONNEL MEMBER, GIVING NAMES OF SCHOOLS, DATES ATTENDED, AND DEGREES/QUALIFICATIONS OBTAINED.]

	[INSERT]
PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS	[PROVIDE DETAILS OF PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS RELEVANT TO THE SCOPE OF SERVICES]
	 NAME OF INSTITUTION: [INSERT] DATE OF CERTIFICATION: [INSERT]
EMPLOYMENT RECORD/ EXPERIENCE	[LIST ALL POSITIONS HELD BY PERSONNEL (STARTING WITH PRESENT POSITION, LIST IN REVERSE ORDER), GIVING DATES, NAMES OF EMPLOYING ORGANIZATION, TITLE OF POSITION HELD AND LOCATION OF EMPLOYMENT. FOR EXPERIENCE IN LAST FIVE YEARS, DETAIL THE TYPE OF ACTIVITIES PERFORMED, DEGREE OF RESPONSIBILITIES, LOCATION OF ASSIGNMENTS AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE CONSIDERED PERTINENT FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT.]
	[INSERT]

[PROVIDE NAMES, ADDRESSES, PHONE AND EMAIL CONTACT INFORMATION FOR TWO (2) REFERENCES]

REFERENCE 1:

REFERENCES

[INSERT]

REFERENCE 2:

[INSERT]

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I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, these data correctly describe my qualifications, my experiences, and other relevant information about myself.

Signature of Personnel

Date (Day/Month/Year)

FORM F: FINANCIAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services for [Insert Title of services] in accordance with your Request for Proposal No. [Insert RFP Reference Number] and our Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal and our Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelope.

Our attached Financial Proposal is for the sum of [Insert amount in words and figures].

Our Proposal shall be valid and remain binding upon us for the period of time specified in the Bid Data Sheet.

We understand you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive.

Name:	
Title:	
Date:	
Signature:	

[Stamp with official stamp of the Bidder]

FORM G: FINANCIAL PROPOSAL FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

The Bidder is required to prepare the Financial Proposal following the below format and submit it in an envelope separate from the Technical Proposal as indicated in the Instruction to Bidders. Any Financial information provided in the Technical Proposal shall lead to Bidder's disqualification. The Financial Proposal should align with the requirements in the Terms of Reference and the Bidder's Technical Proposal.

Currency of the proposal: [Insert Currency]

Table 1: Summary of Overall Prices

	Amount(s)
Professional Fees (from Table 2)	
Other Costs (from Table 3)	
Total Amount of Financial Proposal	

Table 2: Breakdown of Professional Fees

Name	Position	Fee Rate	No. of Days/months/ hours	Total Amount
		А	В	C=A+B
In-Country				
Home Based				
Subtotal Professional Fees:				

Table 3: Breakdown of Other Costs

Description	UOM	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Amount
International flights	Trip			

Subsistence allowance	Day			
Miscellaneous travel expenses	Trip			
Local transportation costs	Lump Sum			
Out-of-Pocket Expenses				
Other Costs: (please specify)				
Subtotal Other Costs:				

Table 4: Breakdown of Price per Deliverable/Activity

Deliverable/ Activity description	Time (person days)	Professional Fees	Other Costs	Total
Deliverable 1				
Deliverable 2				
Deliverable 3				

FORM H: FORM OF PROPOSAL SECURITY

Proposal Security must be issued using the official letterhead of the Issuing Bank. Except for indicated fields, no changes may be made on this template.

To: UNDP

[Insert contact information as provided in Data Sheet]

WHEREAS [Name and address of Bidder] (hereinafter called "the Bidder") has submitted a Proposal to UNDP dated Click here to enter a date. to execute Services [Insert Title of Services] (hereinafter called "the Proposal"):

AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you that the Bidder shall furnish you with a Bank Guarantee by a recognized bank for the sum specified therein as security in the event that the Bidder:

- a) Fails to sign the Contract after UNDP has awarded it;
- b) Withdraws its Proposal after the date of the opening of the Proposals;
- c) Fails to comply with UNDP's variation of requirement, as per RFP instructions; or
- d) Fails to furnish Performance Security, insurances, or other documents that UNDP may require as a condition to rendering the contract effective.

AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Bidder such this Bank Guarantee:

NOW THEREFORE we hereby affirm that we are the Guarantor and responsible to you, on behalf of the Bidder, up to a total of [amount of guarantee] [in words and numbers], such sum being payable in the types and proportions of currencies in which the Price Proposal is payable, and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of [amount of guarantee as aforesaid] without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand for the sum specified therein.

This guarantee shall be valid up to 30 days after the final date of validity of bids.

SIGNATURE AND SEAL OF THE GUARANTOR BANK

Signature:		
Titler		
Date:		
Name of Ba	ank	

[Stamp with official stamp of the Bank]