

INDIVIDUAL CONTRACT (IC) PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Recruitment of National Consultant to coordinate the implementation, monitoring and evaluation, and performance reporting of the Joint SDG Fund Project under component one

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Submission Deadline: <u>August 24, 2021@ 2:30 PM in the Afternoon</u>

(UTC+00:00) Accra/Monrovia Time Zone

Note: those who submit afterwards will automatically be rejected. Proposers are strongly advised to meet the submission deadline and avoid IT related glitch while sending to secured email at last hour due to File size limitation, internet down,

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Accra, Ghana

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INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE

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Date: August 17, 2021

Country: Ghana

Description of the Assignment: Recruitment of National Consultant to coordinate the implementation,

monitoring and evaluation, and performance reporting of the Joint

SDG Fund Project under component one

Project Name/Title:

Post Title: National Consultant

Period of Assignment/Services: 80 working Days

Proposal should be submitted no later than **August 24, 2021 at 2:30 PM in the Afternoon, UTC+00:00 Accra/Monrovia Time Zone** via the secure email address:

bids.gh@undp.org

Your technical and financial proposals shall be sent **into two separate files but in one email** under Subject Line: **UNDP.GHA.2021.260.IC**

The File Name for Technical and Financial Proposals MUST BE:

- 1. For Technical: <u>UNDP.GHA.2021.260.IC- TP [insert your name]</u>
- 2. For Financial <u>UNDP.GHA.2021.260.IC- FP [insert your name]</u>

Any request for clarification and/or additional information on this Procurement Notice shall be sent in writing to UNDP Ghana Country Office or send standard electronic communication to the Contact Person e-mail at procurement.gh@undp.org (please note that it is only dedicated for enquiry and confirmation for proposal submission. Do not submit both Technical and Financial proposals to this account. If you do so, your proposals will be rejected, and UNDP will not be accountable for it). While the Procurement Unit would endeavour to provide clarification expeditiously, only requests receiving at least 5 days period to the submission deadline will be entertained. The procuring UNDP entity will respond in writing by standard electronic mail, including an explanation of the query without identifying the source of inquiry, to all consultants. Any delay in providing such information will not be considered as a reason for extending the submission deadline.

I. BACKGROUND

The United Nations established the Joint SDG Fund in June 2017 as one of its innovative mechanism to address the current global challenges, which builds on previous efforts including the Millennium Development Goals Fund (MDG-F) and Sustainable Development Goals Fund (SDG-F). The Joint SDG Fund works across all 17 global goals to transform development practices by incentivizing and enabling new and innovative development approaches. The Joint SDG Fund aims to inspire a shift in the approach to development by placing the focus on integrated policy, strategic investments and financing, and robust partnerships. And operates through open calls for proposals.

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For detailed information, please refer to Annex I- Terms of Reference (ToR)

II. SCOPE OF WORK, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DESCRIPTION

The Consultant in collaboration with the Lead focal person at the UN Resident Coordinator's Office and the participating UN organisations (PUNOs) will be responsible for the following project management duties:

Coordinate joint implementation, monitoring, performance and financial reporting

• Liaise with RCO and PUNOs to update the joint project work plan into a comprehensive version for monitoring of milestones;

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III. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

a. Academic Qualifications:

Academic qualification of the Consultant: Advanced university Degree (Masters or a PhD) in economics, sustainable development, public policy, project management, business or public administration, social sciences or any other relevant field.

Experience:

- Minimum 5 years' progressive experience in writing, able to pull people and work together and bring
 out a coherent joint product. Experience with consolidating vast different information into concise
 reports; and coordinating different stakeholders in developing countries;
- A minimum of 3 years' progressive experience in sustainable development policy, economic analysis
 or project/programme management in the context of development cooperation or related area in
 developing countries;
- Good knowledge and understanding of the sustainable development goals

Important Note:

The Consultant is required to have the above mentioned professional and technical qualifications. Only the applicants who hold these qualifications will be shortlisted and contacted.

IV. DOCUMENTS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN SUBMITTING THE TECHNICAL PROPOSALS

Interested offeror/Individual Consultant (IC) must submit the following documents before the deadline stipulated in the IC Procurement Notice. Such documents are:

- Technical Proposal as per the prescribed format (see template in Annex II), which includes Duly Signed
 Offeror's Letter to UNDP Confirming Interest and Availability and Duly Signed Personal CV
- Financial Proposal as per prescribed format (see template in Annex III)

V. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

LUMP-SUM CONTRACTS

The Financial Proposal shall specify a total lump-sum amount **all-inclusive**, and payment terms around specific and measurable (qualitative and quantitative) deliverables (i.e. whether payments fall in installments or upon completion of the entire contract). Payments are based upon output, i.e. upon delivery of the services specified in the TOR. In order to assist the requesting unit in the comparison of financial proposals, the financial proposal will include a breakdown of this lump-sum amount (including travel, per diems, and number of anticipated working days).

Travel:

 All envisaged travel costs must be included in the financial proposal. This includes all travel to join duty station/repatriation travel. In general, UNDP should not accept travel costs exceeding those of an economy class ticket. Should the IC wish to travel on a higher class he/she should do so using their own resources.

In the case of unforeseeable travel, payment of travel costs including tickets, lodging and terminal expenses should be agreed upon, between the respective Business Unit (BU) and Individual Consultant, prior to travel and will be reimbursed.

VI. EVALUATION

Upon the advertisement of the Procurement Notice, qualified Individual Consultant is expected to submit both the Technical and Financial Proposals. Accordingly; Individual Consultants will be evaluated based on Cumulative Analysis as per the following scenario:

- Responsive/compliant/acceptable, and
- Having received the highest score out of a pre-determined set of weighted technical and financial criteria specific to the solicitation. In this regard, the respective weight of the proposals are:
 - a. Technical Criteria weight is 70%
 - b. Financial Criteria weight is 30%

Criteria	Weight	Max. Point
Technical Competence (based on CV, Proposal and interview (if required))	70%	100
 Academic qualification of the Consultant: Advanced university Degree 		25pts*
(Masters or a PhD) in economics, sustainable development, public policy,		
project management, business or public administration, social sciences or		
any other relevant field		

	 Minimum 5 years' progressive experience in writing, able to pull people and work together and bring out a coherent joint product. Experience with consolidating vast different information into concise reports; and coordinating different stakeholders in developing countries (25) A minimum of 3 years' progressive experience in sustainable development policy, economic analysis or project/programme management in the context of development cooperation or related area in developing countries (15) 			50 pts*
1.3. Proposed approach and understanding of assignment including implementation plan and approach				25 pts *
Financial (Lower Offer/Offer*100)			30%	30
Total Score Technical Score * 70% + Financial Score * 30%				

Evaluation legend:

Weight per Technical Competence			
Weak: below 70%	The individual consultant/contractor has demonstrated a WEAK capacity for		
	the analyzed competence		
Satisfactory: 70-75%	The individual consultant/contractor has demonstrated a SATISFACTORY		
	capacity for the analyzed competence		
Good: 76-85%	The individual consultant/contractor has demonstrated a GOOD capacity for		
	the analyzed competence		

ANNEXES

ANNEX I - Terms of References (ToR)

ANNEX II - Technical Proposal along with Offeror's Letter to UNDP Confirming Interest and Availability

ANNEX III - Financial Proposal

ANNEX IV - General Conditions of Contract: For the Services of Individual Contractors (IC)

Yours Sincerely,

Jelena Raketic

Deputy Resident Representative.

UNDP, Ghana.

INSTRUCTION TO OFFERORS

No.	Data	Specific Instructions / Requirements
1	Location of Work:	
2	Language of the Proposal:	⊠ English
3	Period of Proposal Validity commencing on the submission date	☑ 120 days
4	Preferred Currency of Proposal	□ Local Currency (Ghana cedis)
5	Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications/ questions	□ Three (3) days before the submission date
6	Contact Details for submitting clarifications/questions	 ☑ Focal Person in UNDP: Procurement Team ☑ E-mail address dedicated for this purpose: procurement.gh@undp.org (only for enquiry/request for clarification) ☑ Any delay in UNDP's response shall be not used as a reason for extending the deadline for submission, unless UNDP determines that such an extension is necessary and communicates a new deadline to the Proposers.
7	Manner of Disseminating Supplemental Information to the IC and responses/clarifications to queries	☑ Direct communication to prospective Bidders by email and posting on
8	Allowable Manner of Submitting Proposals	⊠ Electronic submission of Bid
9	Proposal Submission Address	☑ Via our secured mail address: bids.gh@undp.org
10	Deadline of Submission	 ☑ Date and Time: August 24, 2021@ 2:30 PM in the Afternoon ☑ Time Zone: (UTC+00:00) Accra/Monorovia
11	Conditions and Procedures for electronic submission and opening, if allowed	 ☑ Official Address for e-submission: bids.gh@undp.org ☑ Free from virus and corrupted files ☑ Format: PDF files only

No.	Data	Specific Instructions / Requirements
		 ☑ UNDP Ghana Office uses Adobe PDF reader version 9 and Microsoft 2007 & Microsoft 2010 ☑ For electronically transferred data, the maximum capacity is 9MB. Thus, if the size of the file is greater than 9MB attach them with two or more email. ☑ No. of copies to be transmitted: only One, do not send the proposals time and again to avoid confusion in locating the right proposals. UNDP/Procurement Unit will not be liable for failing to locate a right proposal owing to repetitively sending revised proposals. ☑ Subject of email (Mandatory): your proposals shall be sent into two separate files but in one email under Subject Line: UNDP.GHA.2021.260.IC ☑ Proposals File Name (Mandatory): The File Name for Technical and Financial Proposals MUST BE: 3. For Technical – UNDP.GHA.2021.260.IC- TP - [insert your name] 4. For Financial – UNDP.GHA.2021.260.IC- FP - [insert your name] ☑ For failing and/or incorrectly state the above subject line may result in failing to exactly locate your proposals as the Procurement Unit processes several of such type proposal invitations at a time and will not be liable for any consequences thereof. ☑ COMPULSORY: Once you submitted your proposals electronically to designated Secured Email, kindly confirm same (without attaching the proposals for the purpose keeping its integrity) to the Focal Person. The Attn: Procurement Team at procurement.gh@undp.org Your confirmation is important in order to ensure all Proposing Firms' Quotations are not missed and considered for subsequent Technical Evaluation.
13	Evaluation method to be used in selecting the most responsive Proposal	□ Combined Scoring Method, using the 70%-30% distribution for Technical and Financial proposals, respectively, where the minimum passing score of technical proposal is 70%
14	Post-Qualification Actions	☑ Inquiry and background checking with referees or any other entity that may have done business with the offeror.