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INDIVIDUAL CONTRACT (IC) PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Recruitment of Consultancy to Support UN Ghana to write a Common Country Analysis Report 2021

Procurement Notice Ref. No.: UNDP.GHA.2021.308.IC

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**Submission Deadline: September 30, 2021@ 4:30 PM in the
Afternoon (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
September 14, 2021**



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INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Procurement Notice Ref. No.: UNDP.GHA.2021.308.IC

Date: September 14, 2021

Country: Ghana
Description of the Assignment: Recruitment of Consultancy to Support UN Ghana to write a Common Country Analysis Report 2021
Project Name/Title:
Post Title: National Consultant
Period of Assignment/Services: 30 working Days

Proposal should be submitted no later than **September 30, 2021 at 4:30 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.2021.308.IC**

The File Name for Technical and Financial Proposals MUST BE:

- 1. For Technical:** UNDP.GHA.2021.308.IC- TP - [insert your name]
- 2. For Financial –** UNDP.GHA.2021.308.IC- FP - [insert your name]

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 Common Country Analysis (CCA) is a UN system's mandate-based independent, impartial, and integrated analysis that provides a holistic picture of the country context. It sets a baseline and direction for a strategic, human rights-based and risk-informed Country Cooperation Framework. It is thus a critical reference document for benchmarking and assessing the relevance of the Cooperation Framework during its implementation and evaluation. To accurately report on progress against goals and targets, as well as to capture the UN Country Team's (UNCT's) contributions, the first priority of the CCA is to establish baselines across the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) framework, to the extent possible. The Cooperation Framework Strategic Results Groups will use these baselines to track progress against clearly defined outcome level indicators.

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

II. SCOPE OF WORK, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DESCRIPTION

To develop an outline of the CCA analytical report, guided by the CCA thematic areas, template, and the analytical inputs identified through the CCA Concept Note.

To review and integrate the CCA analytical inputs submitted by the UNSDP Results and Interagency Working Groups for a coherent, comprehensive, concise and relevant CCA draft report. The analysis will highlight, disaggregated data available as well as gaps that need to be addressed to further inform the analysis plus describe and analyze the key challenges and opportunities in relation to achieving national priorities for Agenda 2030, international human rights and gender equality obligations and agreed international norms and standards and regional commitments

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III. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

a. Academic Qualifications:

Advanced university degree (Master's and equivalent) in development studies, economics, social sciences, international relations or any other related field.

Experience:

- At least 10 years' experience of conducting country/national level situational analysis, UN common country programming processes, some of which must be related to 2030 Agenda for sustainable development/SDGs; and SDG localisation and reporting processes.

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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 |
| ▪ Relevant educational background | | 10pts* |
| ▪ 10 years' experience of conducting multi-disciplinary country/national level situational analysis related to 2030 Agenda or SDGs | | 30 pts* |
| ▪ Previous experience working in Ghana and/or West Africa. | | 5 pts * |
| ▪ Previous experience of conducting UN Common Country Analysis | | 5pts* |

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| ▪ Substantial professional application of human rights, gender equality, environmental sustainability, result-based management, digital development and capacity development in research | | 20pts* |
| ▪ Knowledge of English | | 10pts* |
| ▪ Interview | | 20pts* |
| Financial (Lower Offer/Offer*100) | 30% | 30 pts* |
| 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 Raketec

Deputy Resident Representative.

UNDP, Ghana.

INSTRUCTION TO OFFERORS

| No. | Data | Specific Instructions / Requirements |
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| 1 | Location of Work: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please refer to the ToR |
| 2 | Language of the Proposal: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English |
| 3 | Period of Proposal Validity commencing on the submission date | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 90 days |
| 4 | Preferred Currency of Proposal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Currency (Ghana cedis) |
| 5 | Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications/questions | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three (3) days before the submission date |
| 6 | Contact Details for submitting clarifications/questions | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Focal Person in UNDP: Procurement Team <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E-mail address dedicated for this purpose: procurement.gh@undp.org (only for enquiry/request for clarification) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Direct communication to prospective Bidders by email and posting on |
| 8 | Allowable Manner of Submitting Proposals | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electronic submission of Bid |
| 9 | Proposal Submission Address | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Via our secured mail address: bids.gh@undp.org |
| 10 | Deadline of Submission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Date and Time: September 30, 2021@ 4:30 PM in the Afternoon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Time Zone: (UTC+00:00) Accra/Monorovia |
| 11 | Conditions and Procedures for electronic submission and opening, if allowed | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Official Address for e-submission: bids.gh@undp.org <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Free from virus and corrupted files <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Format: PDF files only |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ 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.2021.308.IC ☒ Proposals File Name (Mandatory): The File Name for Technical and Financial Proposals MUST BE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. For Technical – UNDP.GHA.2021.308.IC- TP - [insert your name] 4. For Financial – UNDP.GHA.2021.308.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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ Inquiry and background checking with referees or any other entity that may have done business with the offeror. |