United Nations Development Programme

Terms of Reference



GENERAL INFORMATION

Title: Consultant for SDG Bond Impact Report (Local Consultant)

Project Name: Innovative Financing Lab (IFL) / Accelerating SDGs Investment in Indonesia

(ASSIST) Project

Reports to: National Project Manager for ASSIST Joint Programme

Duty Station: Home-based **Expected Places of Travel:** N/A

Duration of Assignment: Sixty (60) working days within 6 (six) months

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TERMS OF REFERENCE
CONFIRMATION OF CATEGORY OF LOCAL CONSULTANT, please select:
(1) Junior Consultant
(2) Support Consultant
(3) Support Specialist
(4) Senior Specialist
(5) Expert/ Advisor
CATEGORY OF INTERNATIONAL CONSULTANT, please select:
(6) Junior Specialist
(7) Specialist
(8) Senior Specialist
APPROVED e-requisition

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION FROM CONSULTANT

√	P11 or CV with three referee				
√	Copy of education certificate				
√	Completed financial proposal				
√	Completed technical proposal				

Need for presence of IC consultant in office:

∕ □ N/A		
Provision of Support Servi	ces:	
Office space:	□Yes	√No
Equipment (laptop etc):	□Yes	√No
Secretarial Services	□Yes	√No

If yes has been checked, indicate here who will be responsible for providing the support services: n/a

I. BACKGROUND

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is the leading United Nations (UN) organization fighting to end the injustice of poverty, inequality, and climate change. Working with our vast network of experts and partners in 170 countries, UNDP helps nations to build integrated, sustainable solutions for people and planet.

UNDP is committed to support Indonesia in this effort through the establishment of Innovative Financing Lab (IFL) in 2018 that operates as collaborative space for public and private partners and other interested stakeholders in developing solutions and leverage new resources flow to finance sustainable development. Through IFL, a longstanding partnership has been established with the Ministry of Finance, namely in the development of Climate Budget Tagging which led to the issuance of the world's first sovereign Green Sukuk in 2018 and Retail Green Sukuk for domestic market in 2019.

As indicated in the National SDGs Roadmap, Indonesia will require up to USD 5 trillion to finance its SDGs targets by 2030. The recent emergence of COVID-19 has exacerbated this financing gap, as the government needed to allocate USD 48 billion in 2021 for the National Economic Recovery program. With the priority of the state's fiscal capacity shifted towards economic recovery, other financing sources need to be explored to narrow the SDGs financing gap and maintain Indonesia's momentum towards the 2030 agenda.

Building on previous success, UNDP, under the UN Joint Programme (JP) "Accelerating SDGs Investments in Indonesia" (ASSIST) will continue to support the Ministry of Finance in the development of the Indonesia SDG Bond in an end-to-end process that includes the Bond's pre-issuance and until its post-issuance. ASSIST is a UN JP which brings four UN agencies (UNDP, UNEP, UNICEF, and UNIDO) together to support the GoI to meet its SDG targets. This support will be delivered by (1) taking proven and new financing instruments to scale through the provision of pre- and post-transactions technical assistance for three financing instruments: thematic bonds, blended finance instrument, and SDG-linked loans, and (2) providing capacity building to relevant stakeholders (e.g. GoI, Local Governments (LGs), Financial Institutions, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises or SMEs) to improve institutional capacities to access and utilize finance towards the achievement of the SDGs.

In September 2021, ASSIST has supported the Government of Indonesia to continue leading the way in green and sustainable financing with the issuance of the EUR 500 million sovereign SDG Bond in the global market – becoming the very first SDG-themed sovereign bond from Southeast Asia. The 12-year bond carries a coupon rate of 1.3% and will enable the Government of Indonesia to finance national SDG-oriented projects. The bond issuance is preceded by and refers to the Republic of Indonesia SDGs Government Securities Framework, which outlines three focus areas of eligible SDG Expenditures that can be financed and/or refinanced by Indonesia's thematic bonds. These eligible areas include projects/sectors that contribute to: 1) the climate change mitigation and adaptation (green focus); 2) the advancement of blue economy (blue focus); and 3) generation of positive social outcomes (social focus).

The Framework—which was developed by the Ministry of Finance, in collaboration with the Ministry of National Development Planning (BAPPENAS), the Coordinating Ministry of Maritime and Investments, with support from joint advisors—includes project selection and evaluation criteria such as indicators to ensure that proceeds are allocated to projects with long-term impacts. As part of a globally recognized external review process, CICERO and IISD subjected the framework to a verification process to ensure it met the highest international standards. The reviewers classified the framework as "Medium Green", citing its strong outlook for medium-to-long-term green development, and provided a "Good" rating to the framework's overall governance.

Support towards the Bond's pre-issuance phase was provided through the development of the Indonesia SDG Bond Feasibility Study in 2021, followed by technical assistance during the Framework

development and its subsequent Second Party Opinion external review. Moving forward, UNDP will continue to be a close partner to the Ministry of Finance throughout the Bond's post-issuance stage, particularly for the 2022 SDG Bond Allocation and Impact Report development. Therefore, under the ASSIST JP, UNDP is looking for an individual consultant to undertake this assignment.

II. SCOPE OF WORK, ACTIVITIES, AND DELIVERABLES

Under the above context, the consultant is hired to provide advisory services and recommendations towards the development of Indonesia's 2022 SDG Bond Allocation and Impact Report, particularly in the following key areas:

1. Preparation & Consultation

- Map, identify, and assess the bond's underlying projects as well as the information/data necessary to be included in the report;
- Advise on and develop the impact report framework/matrix as well as its measurement methodologies and guidance;
- Undertake the overall data collection process in coordination and consultation with relevant technical line ministries, including providing necessary inputs/recommendations to ensure a thorough and efficient information exchange.

2. Development & Review

- Undertake the overall drafting and writing process of the impact report, including providing necessary advice and recommendations, in close coordination with the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of National Development Planning (BAPPENAS);
- Advise and ensure the accuracy and quality of the impact report including in its alignment
 with the Republic of Indonesia SDGs Government Securities Framework as well as the
 UNDP SDG Impact Standards for Bonds;
- Advise and provide recommendation/justifications towards the impact report external review
 and assurance process, including in taking the role as a resource person during consultation
 meetings as well as in providing supporting data/documents;

The following methodologies may be used for the assignment:

- Desk review;
- In-depth interviews and/or Focus Group Discussion with key stakeholders;
- Other relevant methodologies proposed by the consultant.

The expected deliverables are elaborated as follows.

Deliverables*	Number of	Due Date	Reviewed
	Working Days		and
			Monitored by
Deliverable 1	25 Wds	26 April 2022	National Project
Submission of the detailed and agreed		2022	Manager for ASSIST Joint
workplan for the impact report			Programme
development, report outline, impact			
measurement methodology and			

approach/framework, metrics of underlying projects/sectors and stakeholders, as well as indication of project highlights			
Deliverable 2	35 Wds	8 August 2022	National Project Manager for
Submission of the approved final SDG Bond Allocation and Impact Report 2022; containing executive summary, background/introduction, summary of the framework and methodology, project highlights, including its relevant supporting documents (i.e., project matrix, assurance page, and other relevant annexes).			ASSIST Joint Programme

^{*}each deliverable shall be prepared and submitted in English.

All reports must be presented first to UNDP (ASSIST JP), Ministry of Finance, BAPPENAS and any related stakeholders for inputs and comments. These comments must be incorporated to the final report prior approval. All presentation materials, photos and video, any calculation/simulation model, and all related data to the assignment had to be shared with UNDP (ASSIST JP).

III. WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

Institutional Arrangement

- The consultant will work in close coordination with the Technical Associate for Sustainable Finance, Technical Assistant for Thematic Bonds, and the National Project Manager for ASSIST Joint Programme, with the overall supervision of the Head of Innovative Financing Lab of UNDP.
- The consultant's deliverables will be reviewed by the National Project Manager for ASSIST JP, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of National Development Planning, and other relevant counterparts.
- The consultant will report to the National Project Manager for ASSIST JP.
- The payment will be made to the consultant at each payment schedule, upon technical clearance and approval of the satisfactory submission of results from the National Project Manager for ASSIST JP.
- Estimated lead time for UNDP or Project Implementing Partners to review outputs, give comments, certify approval/acceptance of outputs is 2 weeks.

Duration of the Work

The consultant is expected to work 60 working days within 6 months. Approved final report expects full completion not later than 8 August 2022.

Duty Station

The consultant is expected to work home-based.

Travel Plan

There will not be any travelling required for this project.

IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

Academic Qualifications:

• At least a master's degree in economics, finance, international development/ development studies, sustainability, environment

The consultant should satisfy the following qualifications:

- Minimum 8 years of experience working on sustainable development issues/initiatives, public finance, sustainable finance, or other related fields, including related topics in policy analysis, performance auditing, impact reporting, research/ studies development;
- Substantive experience in country/regional level works, in close coordination with national government (e.g., Ministry of Finance and Ministry of National Development Planning) or UN agencies and international organizations particularly in providing technical advice for policy reforms;
- Substantive experience in the design, monitoring and evaluation of projects and/or green, sustainable financing;
- Provide at least three assignments (e.g., reports) demonstrating sustainability-related impact analytic and report writing skills (references or samples to be submitted with the application).

Competencies and special skills requirement:

- Good analytical skills and communications abilities
- Excellent report writing and drafting skills along with a grasp of sustainable development in the context of Indonesia, as demonstrated by previous research/analytical reports/policy notes on relevant topics (references or samples to be submitted with the application).
- Strong motivation & ability to work & deliver under short deadlines.
- Focuses on impact & result for the client & responds positively to critical feedback.
- Able to work independently with little or no supervision.
- Outstanding knowledge of the international/national green and sustainable bonds market, framework, issuance modalities and procedures, including requirements and guidelines.
- Strong understanding of Indonesia's governmental framework, including SDG and Green Bond-related policy and other related regulations in Indonesia.

V. EVALUATION METHOD AND CRITERIA

Individual consultant will be evaluated based on the following methodologies:

Cumulative analysis

When using this weighted scoring method, the award of the contract should be made to the individual consultant whose offer has been evaluated and determined as:

- a) Responsive/compliant/acceptable, and
- b) Having received the highest score out of a pre-determined set of weighted technical and financial criteria specific to the solicitation.
- * Technical Criteria weight; 70%
- * Financial Criteria weight; 30%

Only candidates obtaining a minimum of 70 point would be considered for the Financial Evaluation

Criteria	Weight	Maximum Point
Technical		100
Criteria A: qualification requirements as per TOR:	(70%)	
Master or equivalent in economic, finance, international development/ development studies,	20	

	2.	sustainability, environment, or other relevant fields. Minimum 8 years of experience working on sustainable development issues/initiatives, public finance, sustainable finance, or other related fields, including related topics in	15	
	3.	policy analysis, performance auditing, impact reporting, research/studies development Substantive experience in country/regional level works, in close coordination with national government (e.g., Ministry of Finance and Ministry of National Development Planning) or UN agencies and international organizations,	15	
	4.	particularly in providing technical advice for policy reforms; Substantive experience in the design, monitoring and evaluation of projects and/or green, sustainable financing;	10	
		Provide at least three assignments (e.g., reports) demonstrating sustainability-related impact analytic and report writing skills (references or samples to be submitted with the application).	10	
Cr	iteria	B: Quality of Proposal	(30%)	
1.		derstanding the scope of work and objectives of assignment.	10	
2.	2. Approach and methodology proposed -		10	
3.	Qua outl	prehensiveness & fitness against requirements. lity of proposed implementation plan, <i>i.e.</i> report ine, how do applicants will undertake each task, time-schedules.	10	