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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)

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- Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form
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- Form D: Qualification Form
- Form E: Format of Technical Proposal
- Form F: Financial Proposal Submission Form
- o 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>cpu.bids@undp.org</u>, indicating whether you intend to submit a Proposal or otherwise. You may also utilize the **"Accept Invitation"** function in **eTendering 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.

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Section 2. Instruction to Bidders

A. GEN	A. GENERAL PROVISIONS				
1.	Introductio n	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-</u> <u>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 <u>https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/sites/www.un.org.Depts.ptd/files/files/at</u> <u>tachment/page/pdf/unscc/conduct_english.pdf</u>		
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	4.2	 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: 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 whether or not such a conflict exists. Similarly, the Bidders must disclose in their proposal their knowledge of the following: a) 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 b) All other circumstances that could potentially lead to actual or perceived conflict of interest, collusion or unfair competition practices.
		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 I	PROPO	SALS
5. General Considerati ons		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.
		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		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	8.1	The Proposal shall comprise of the following documents:
Comprising the		a) Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder;b) Technical Proposal;

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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 Qualificatio ns 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	10.1 The Bidder is required to submit a Technical Proposal using the Standard Forms and templates provided in Section 6 of the RFP.
Format 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. If Proposal Security is required by the RFP but is not found along with the Technical 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:

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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	15.1	The Bidder (including the individual members of any Joint Venture) shall submit

Proposal	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.
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. Amendmen t 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	OPENING 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
	 Bear a warning that states "Not to be opened before the time and date for proposal opening" 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, or premature opening of the Proposal.
	22.5 Email submission, if allowed or specified in the BDS, shall be governed as follows:

Email Submission		 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. 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.
		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:
eTendering submission		 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 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 the correct password may result in the proposal being rejected.
		c) Documents which are required to be in original form (e.g. Bid Security, etc.) must be sent via courier or hand delivery as per the instructions in BDS.
		 d) Detailed instructions on how to submit, modify or cancel a bid in the eTendering system are provided in the eTendering system Bidder User Guide and Instructional videos available on this link: <u>http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/bu</u>
		siness/procurement-notices/resources/
23. Deadline for Submission	23.1	Complete Proposals must be received by UNDP in the manner, and no later than the date and time, specified in the BDS. UNDP shall only recognize the date and time that the bid was received by UNDP
of Proposals and Late Proposals	23.2	UNDP shall not consider any Proposal that is submitted after the deadline for the submission of Proposals.
24. Withdrawal ,	24.1	A Bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Proposal after it has been submitted at any time prior to the deadline for submission.
Substitutior , and Modificatio n of Proposals	24.2	Manual and Email submissions: A bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Proposal by sending a written notice to UNDP, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization (or a Power or Attorney). The corresponding substitution or modification of the Proposal, if any must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be submitted in the same manner as specified for submission of proposals, by clearly marking them as "WITHDRAWAL" "SUBSTITUTION," or "MODIFICATION"
	24.3	eTendering: A Bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Proposal by Canceling, Editing, and re-submitting the proposal directly in the system. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to properly follow the system instructions, duly

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	edit and submit a substitution or modification of the Proposal as ne Detailed instructions on how to cancel or modify a Proposal directly i system are provided in Bidder User Guide and Instructional videos.	
	4.4 Proposals requested to be withdrawn shall be returned unopened to the Bi (only for manual submissions), except if the bid is withdrawn after the bi been opened	
25. Proposal Opening	5.1 There is no public bid opening for RFPs. UNDP shall open the Proposals presence of an ad-hoc committee formed by UNDP, consisting of at leas (2) members. In the case of e-Tendering submission, bidders will receivation automatic notification once their proposal is opened.	st two
D. EVALUATION OF P	POSALS	
26. Confidential ity	6.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, and comparise Proposals, and the recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclose Bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process, after publication of the contract award.	sed to
	6.2 Any effort by a Bidder or anyone on behalf of the Bidder to influence UN the examination, evaluation and comparison of the Proposals or contract a decisions may, at UNDP's decision, result in the rejection of its Proposal and be subject to the application of prevailing UNDP's vendor sanctions proceed.	award d may
27. Evaluation of Proposals	7.1 The Bidder is not permitted to alter or modify its Proposal in any way aft proposal submission deadline except as permitted under Clause 24 of thi UNDP will conduct the evaluation solely on the basis of the submitted Tec and Financial Proposals.	s RFP.
	 7.2 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 Examinatio n	8.1 UNDP shall examine the Proposals to determine whether they are complet respect to minimum documentary requirements, whether the documents been properly signed, and whether the Proposals are generally in order, a other indicators that may be used at this stage. UNDP reserves the right to any Proposal at this stage.	s have mong
29. Evaluation of Eligibility and	9.1 Eligibility and Qualification of the Bidder will be evaluated against the Min Eligibility/Qualification requirements specified in the Section 4 (Evalu Criteria).	
Qualificatio n	 9.2 In general terms, vendors that meet the following criteria may be consiqualified: a) They are not included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 Commlist of terrorists and terrorist financiers, and in UNDP's ineligible verifist; b) They have a good financial standing and have access to adequate fin resources to perform the contract and all existing commcommitments, c) They have the necessary similar experience, technical expertise, producapacity where applicable, quality certifications, quality assuprocedures and other resources applicable to the provision of the serequired; d) They are able to comply fully with UNDP General Terms and Condition Contract; e) They do not have a consistent history of court/arbitral award december 2012 and 2	ittee's ndors' hancial hercial uction urance ervices ons of

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	against the Bidder; and f) They have a record of timely and satisfactory performance with their clients.
30. Evaluation	30.1 The evaluation team shall review and evaluate the Technical Proposals on the
of Technical and Financial Proposals	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

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32. Clarificatio of	n 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.
Proposals	32.2	UNDP's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing and no 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.
	32.3	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. Responsive ness 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. Nonconfor mities, Reparable	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.
Errors and Omissions	34.2	UNDP may request the Bidder to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify nonmaterial 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 CON	TRACT	
35. Right to Accept,	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

ISign Envelope ID: BFB5111B-A381-409D Reject, A or All Proposa	Any	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. Debriefi	ing 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 Require nts at th Time of Award	eme ne	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. Contrac Signatur		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. Contrac Type an General Terms a Conditio	id I and	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. Perform e Securi		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 Guarant for Advance Paymen	ed	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. Liquidat Damage		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. Paymen	ht 44.1	Payment will be made only upon UNDP's acceptance of the work performed.

ope ID: BFB5111B-A381-409D-BACE 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: http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/busine_ss/protest-and-sanctions.html
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&reference

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	120 days
6	14	Bid Security	Not Required
7	41	Advanced Payment upon signing of contract	Not Allowed
8	42	Liquidated Damages	Will not be imposed
9	40	Performance Security	Not Required
10	18	Currency of Proposal	United States Dollar
11	31	Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications/ questions	10 days before the submission deadline Clarifications will be provided on rolling basis and last request for questions/clarifications should be submitted to UNDP no later than 10 days before the submission date.
12	31	Contact Details for submitting clarifications/questions	Focal Person in UNDP: Birhanu Degu Gebeyaw Address: Central Procurement Unit (CPU), New York, N.Y. 10017 E-mail address: <u>cpu.bids@undp.org</u>

13	18, 19 and 21	Manner of Disseminating Supplemental Information to the RFP and responses/clarifications to queries	Posted directly to eTendering (https://etendering.partneragencies.org) and UNDP Procurement Notices Website (https://procurement- notices.undp.org/)
14	23	Deadline for Submission	As indicated in eTendering system Note that system time zone is in EST/EDT (New York) time zone.
14	22	Allowable Manner of Submitting Proposals	e-Tendering
15	22	Proposal Submission Address	Proposals should be submitted through the UNDP eTendering system: https://etendering.partneragencies.org Event ID number: UNDP1- CPUP22-008
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. Technical proposal and financial proposals <u>must</u> be submitted in separate files. Password for financial proposal <u>must</u> not be provided to UNDP until requested by UNDP Max. File Size per transmission: 5MB
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	01 August 2022 (TBC)
19		Maximum expected duration of contract	• Starting 01 August 2022 for an initial period of three years
20	35	UNDP will award the contract to:	One or more Proposers
21	39	Type of Contract	Contract for Goods and Services for UNDP http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/ho w-we-buy.html

22	39	UNDP Contract Terms and Conditions that will	UNDP General Terms and Conditions for Contracts	
		apply	http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/ho w-we-buy.html	
23		Other Information Related to the RFP	For regular updates on this RFP, please refer to the UNDP Procurement Notices website (<u>https://procurement-</u> <u>notices.undp.org/view_notice.cfm?notice_id=92595</u> and UNDP eTendering System (<u>https://etendering.partneragencies.org</u>) <u>Event ID number: UNDP1- CPUP22-008</u>	

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

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, <u>each member should meet</u> <u>minimum criteria</u>, 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 RFP clause 3.	Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form
Conflict of Interest	- No conflicts of interest in accordance with RFP 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
Previous Experience	Minimum 5 years' experience in providing quality, proprietary data to large organizations or companies.	Form E: Technical Proposal
	Vendors must be able to provide minimum one contract showcasing vendor's or personnel's experience in carrying out	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.

Jpe	ID: BFB5111B-A381-409E	exercise of similar value and complexity in at least one of the areas outlined in Annex 1 within the last 5 years (For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively should meet requirement).	
	Financial Standing	Minimum average annual turnover of USD 250,000 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. Financial Statements for the last 3 years to be provided. Dunn & Bradstreet report or Audited Financial Statement (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) including Auditor's Report for last three years duly certified by a Public Accountant, and with authentication of receiving by the Government's Internal Revenue Authority. Include any indication of credit rating, industry rating, etc. (For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively should meet requirement).	Form D: Qualification Form

Sumn	Summary of Technical Proposal Evaluation Forms		
1.	Bidder's qualification, capacity and experience (bidder's track record, experience working on treasury packages and working with International Organizations, Governments, and/or multi-lateral organizations)	20	
2.	Proposed approach (how the Terms of Reference of the consultancy will be achieved including how the various service elements will be 1) organized, 2) managed, 3) controlled and 4) delivered)	20	
3.	Management Structure and Key Personnel	30	
	Total	70	

experie	n 1. Bidder's qualification, capacity and experience (bidder's track record, ence working with International Organizations, Governments, and/or multi-lateral zations)	Points obtainable
1.1	Company standing in the industry (by reference to any certifications, analysis by independent research entities or other information on the firm's reputation)	5
1.2	Does the firm have a history of delivering successfully completed projects in a timely manner?	5
1.3	Does the firm have relevant expertise in providing quality, proprietary data to large organizations or companies? (proposal should include details on provision of quality data in at least one (1) of the areas outlined in the TOR carried out within the past 5 years similar in complexity and scale as the requirement under this RFP. The proposal should further elaborate on the details (including methodology) of these projects.	5
1.4	Does the firm have a track record of working with governments, development finance institutions or UN agencies or organizations?	5
	Total Section 1	20

Section 2. Proposed Approach			Points obtainable
2.1	2.1 How well has the Bidder demonstrated a thorough understanding of the purpose and scope of the project, as outlined in the ToR?		5
2.2	How closely does the Bidder's example solution and approach match or requirements as outlined in the ToR?	exceed the	5
2.3	How the different service elements shall be organized, controlled and delivered?		5
2.4 Does the Bidder's example solution develop or implement services that differ from existing conventional solutions (in terms of products, services or mechanisms of delivery) currently being implemented		5	
Total Section 2			
Section 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?		12

3.2	Qualifications of key personnel proposed (The key staff listed hereunder are indicative and bidders are required to propose the most suitable team structure as per their methodology.)		18
3.2 a	Team Leader		
	Academic Qualifications	2	
	A minimum of Bachelor's degree or higher in the field of Business Administration, Management, Economics, Finance, Development or Social Studies, and/or other relevant fields		
	General Experience -At least 5 years of work experience in a coordination or project management role in research advisory services, data and/or technology field, including provision of services pertaining to access of propriety data with similar services listed in this Terms of Reference, ideally in a development context -Excellent understanding of data collection systems, data analytics and other	3	6
	strategies that optimize statistical efficiency and quality -Experience in facilitating strategic alignment of organizational data priorities across different thematic areas and countries		
	Language Qualifications	1	
	Proficiency in written and spoken English	'	
3.2 b	Data Specialist		
	Academic Qualifications	2	6
	A minimum Bachelor's degree in data science, computer science, statistics, economics, social or public policy, development, planning, or related fields;		
	General Experience -At least 3 years of relevant experience in development statics/surveys, national and sector development planning, social or public policy or related fields; -Strong technical knowledge on quantitative methods with internationally recognized academic institutions or research think tanks; -Demonstrated experience in handling large datasets and quality assurance; -Proficiency with data analytics, programming and statistics tools such as MATLAB,	3	
	STATA, R, GAMS, or Python, etc. Language Qualifications	1	
	Proficiency in written and spoken English		
3.2 c	Data Engineer		
	Academic Qualifications A minimum of Bachelor's degree in computer science, statistics, applied mathematics, data management, information systems, information science or other relevant fields	2	
	General Experience -At least 3 years of working in large data warehouse projects using Microsoft BI reporting tools (SSRS and PowerBI)	3	6
	-Advanced knowledge and experience with developing data pipeline architectures; -Proficiency in designing, building and testing geospatial data solutions that are		
	complex or large-scale working; -Proficiency in data modelling and relational databases; -Experience working in a Cloud environment, ideally Azure.		
	Language Qualifications	1	
	Proficiency in written and spoken English	'	
		l Section 3	30

Note: Offerors are required to submit the CVs for each role with their proposal. Each proposed individual must possess the minimum of years relevant experience as indicted in the criteria above. UNDP will evaluate both CVs against the requirements and constitute an average figure for each criterion as listed above in Form 3 of the Technical Proposal Evaluation.

Section 5. Terms of Reference

Services of a vendor for Treasury Roadmap to the Cloud

Terms of Reference Global LTA for Data Provision Vendors

- A. Project Title: Global LTA for Data Provision Vendors
- **B. Project Description**

The UN Reform Resolution tasks UNDP to provide countries with an "integrator function" to accelerate progress towards the SDGs by tackling multiple interlinked and interdependent development challenges. The UNDP Global Policy Network (GPN) draws on expertise globally to provide more effective responses to the complex development challenges countries face in achieving the SDGs and responding to a crisis in an integrated and coherent manner. Anchored in the Crisis Bureau (CB) and the Bureau for Policy and Programme Support (BPPS), the GPN has the responsibility for developing all relevant policy and guidance to support the results of UNDP's Strategic Plan, which is aligned with the 2030 Agenda Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

The SDG Integration Team, located with the GPN, offers a menu of services emphasizing direct short- to medium-term engagements to respond rapidly to requests from country offices for support on national implementation and monitoring of integrated policy solutions, qualitative and evidence-driven analysis for accelerated progress, and knowledge sharing and upscaling of innovative approaches to sustainable development. The team's work emphasizes the application of evidence-driven data and analytics for SDG implementation and reporting.

In this regard, advances in big data and digital technology are creating data at unprecedented levels of detail and speed, turning the stories of people's lives into numbers every minute of every day across the globe. An important focus of the integration work is to complement traditional data with new and alternative sources, including digital 'breadcrumbs,' satellite data, social media to identify emerging trends and gain new perspectives on issues in development.

Purpose:

The SDG Integration Team aims to establish a global, multi-vendor Long Term Agreement (LTA) for vendors who provide access to proprietary data relevant for social, economic, and political analysis. Under the guidance of the Global Policy Advisor of the SDG Integration Bureau for Policy and Programme Support/Global Policy Network, the Vendors will support the increase in the Integration Team's capabilities pertaining to its objectives in developing and implementing policies as well as relevant pipelines which will be pivotal in providing more complete and rigorous information when developing novel solutions or validating decisions. The data required will be at different administration levels, including hyperlocal geospatial data at a granular level. The vendors will provide relevant data sets and sources upon request based on the terms and conditions established.

The LTA will run for an initial period of 3 years with the possibility to be extended for another 2 years based on need, availability of budget, and vendor performance.

Vendor is responsible to provide the following services:

- 1. Provision of requested data sets, sources and relevant human resources relevant for social, economic, and political analysis related to the respective policy objectives of the SDG Integration Team, as requested;
- 2. Provision of capability for web-service based data integration through the procurement of APIs and other mechanisms in order to easily access and connect with data sources;
- 3. Provision of technical support pertaining to accessing data, including but not limited to data management, data sharing, data protection, as well as any other similar type of support that might be required;

D. Expected Outputs

1	Results of mapping exercise of data sets, sources and relevant human resources relevant for social, economic, and political analysis at different administration levels, including hyperlocal geospatial data at granular level.	Within 2 weeks from contract signing
2	Submission of datasets containing data collected from identified sources relevant to the policy objectives of the SDG Integration Team.	Within 2 months from contract signing
3	Submission of APIs as well as any other mechanism allowing access to data and connection with data sources.	Within 3 months from contract signing

E. Institutional Arrangement

The contractor will report to the Global Policy Advisor of the SDG Integration Bureau for Policy and Programme Support/Global Policy Network. The engagement is output-based and will not require progress reporting to UNDP. UNDP shall be responsible for the following:

- Provide clear scope for data requests, all necessary information including background reference materials;
- Review, provide comments and recommendations, and approve all submissions of the Vendor on a timely basis;
- Arrange meeting/s with the Vendor particularly concerning the review of deliverables.

F. Duration of the Work

LTA commencement date will be 01 August 2022 for an initial period of 3 years with the possibility to be extended for another 2 years based on need, availability of budget and vendor performance.

G. Duty Station

At Contractor's Location

H. Qualifications of the Successful Contractor

The company should have:

- a) Minimum 5 years' experience in providing quality, proprietary data to large organizations or companies.
- b) Vendor must be able to provide quality data in at least one of the areas outlined in Annex 1

Key Personnel Requirement

The proposals will be evaluated on a combination of relevant skills and experience, and relevant configuration of the team. Key personnel requirement include a minimum of three team members. The bidder must provide a copy of the CVs of the personnel that will be working on this assignment Qualification and experience requirements of the proposed experts:

Team Leader

Academic Qualifications

A minimum of Bachelor's degree or higher in the field of Business Administration, Management, Economics, Finance, Development or Social Studies, and/or other relevant fields

General Experience

-At least 5 years of work experience in a coordination or project management role in research advisory services, data and/or technology field, including provision of services pertaining to access of propriety data with similar services listed in this Terms of Reference, ideally in a development context

-Excellent understanding of data collection systems, data analytics and other strategies that optimize statistical efficiency and quality

-Experience in facilitating strategic alignment of organizational data priorities across different thematic areas and countries

Language Qualifications

Proficiency in written and spoken English

Data Specialist

Academic Qualifications

A minimum Bachelor's degree in data science, computer science, statistics, economics, social or public policy, development, planning or related fields;

General Experience

-At least 3 years of relevant experience in development statics/surveys, national and sector development planning, social or public policy or related fields;

-Strong technical knowledge on quantitative methods with internationally recognized academic institutions or research think tanks;

-Demonstrated experience in handling large datasets and quality assurance;

-Proficiency with data analytics, programming and statistics tools such as MATLAB, STATA, R, GAMS, or Python, etc.

Language Qualifications

Proficiency in written and spoken English

Data Engineer

Academic Qualifications

A minimum of Bachelor's degree in computer science, statistics, applied mathematics, data management, information systems, information science or other relevant fields

General Experience

- -At least 3 years of working in large data warehouse projects using Microsoft BI reporting tools (SSRS and PowerBI)
- -Advanced knowledge and experience with developing data pipeline architectures;
- -Proficiency in designing, building and testing geospatial data solutions that are complex or large-scale working;

-Proficiency in data modelling and relational databases;

-Experience working in a Cloud environment, ideally Azure.

Language Qualifications

Proficiency in written and spoken English

I. Scope of Bid Price and Schedule of Payments

Bidders are requested to submit their offer based on the TOR and the templates provided in the Format provided. Payment to the successful bidder will be processed upon completion and acceptance of the deliverables specified above and certification of satisfactory completion by the UNDP Technical Manager.

- All Prices should be in USD.
- Invoices should be provided based on the specific data sets and duration of access requested.
- Payment shall be processed in the following increments:
 - a. First payment of 20% will be made upon submission of deliverable 1 to the satisfaction of the UN team.
 - b. Second payment of 60% will be made upon submission of deliverable 2 to the satisfaction of the UN team.
 - c. Third payment of 20% will be made upon submission of deliverable 3 to the satisfaction of the UN team.

1	Results of mapping exercise of datasets as well as data sources relevant for social, economic, and political analysis at different administration levels, including hyperlocal geospatial data at granular level.	20%
2	Submission of datasets containing data collected from identified sources relevant to the policy objectives of the SDG Integration Team.	60%
3	Submission of APIs as well as any other mechanism allowing access to data and connection with data sources.	20%

K. Methodology minimum requirements:

The bidder must provide a description of the approach of how the Terms of Reference of the consultancy will be achieved including how the various service elements will be 1) organized, 2) managed, 3) controlled and 4) delivered. 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 enough detail.

ANNEX 1: Data Requirements

The SDG Integration Team seeks data that will enable it to track progress in meeting the SDGs. These data requirements have been categorized using the six Signature Solutions devised to achieve the SDGs.

1. Poverty and inequality

Tackling inequality of opportunities by investing in the enhanced capabilities people need to move above the poverty line and keep moving forwards.

	Туре	Purpose	Spatial resolution	Spatial frame	Temporal resolution	Timeframe
1	Primary (custom data collection). Secondary (existing with permission to use). Presented as microdata in tables.	Characterize households and community measures of poverty and inequality. This data may be used for econometric analyses.	Individual Household Community	Sub-national National Multi-country	Days Weeks Months	Snapshot with single cross-section or multi-period (panel) of many months or years
2	Satellite data GIS layers	Quantify extent and trends poverty and inequality correlated measures (infrastructure, habitation, built areas etc). This data will help identify hotspots for policy focus.	Defined/agre ed/available arc-second	Global	Days Weeks Months Years	Multi-year (near) Live
3	Macro timeseries Social accounting matrices	Track macro trends on measures of poverty and inequality. This data may be used models & simulations.	Country Region	National Global	Months Quarters Years	Multi-year

2. Governance

Helping countries address emerging complexities by "future-proofing" governance systems through anticipatory approaches and better management of risk.

	Туре	Purpose	Spatial	Spatial	Temporal	Timeframe
			resolution	frame	resolution	
1	Primary (custom	Characterize national	Individual	Sub-	Days	Snapshot with single
	data collection).	and subnational	government	national	Weeks	cross-section or
	Secondary (existing	bureaucracies and	officials	National	Months	multi-period (panel)
	with permission to	their performance.	National and	Multi-		of many months or
	use).	This data may be used	subnational	country		years
	Presented as	for econometric	offices			
	microdata in tables.	analyses.				
2	Macro timeseries	Track macro trends	Country	National	Months	Multi-year
		on government	Region	Global	Quarters	
		expenditures.			Years	
		This data may be used				
		models & simulations.				

3. Resilience

Supporting countries and communities in building resilience to diverse shocks and crises, including conflict, climate change, disasters and epidemics.

	Туре	Purpose	Spatial resolution	Spatial frame	Temporal resolution	Timeframe
1	Primary (custom data collection). Secondary (existing with permission to use). Presented as microdata in tables.	Characterize households and community measures of resilience and impacts from shocks (conflict, climate change, disasters and epidemics). This data may be used for econometric analyses.	Individual Household Community	Sub- national National Multi- country	Days Weeks Months	Snapshot with single cross-section or multi-period (panel) of many months or years
2	Satellite data GIS layers	Quantify extent and trends in resilience and impacts from shocks (conflict, climate change, disasters and epidemics). This data will help identify hotspots for policy focus.	Defined/ag reed/availa ble arc- second	Global	Days Weeks Months Years	Multi-year (near) Live

4. Environment

Putting nature and the environment at the heart of national economies and planning; helping governments protect, manage and value their natural assets.

	Туре	Purpose	Spatial resolution	Spatial frame	Temporal resolution	Timeframe
1	Primary (custom data collection). Secondary (existing with permission to use). Presented as microdata in tables.	Characterize households and community demands on environmental resources and landscapes. This data may be used for econometric analyses.	Individual Household Community	Sub- national National Multi- country	Days Weeks Months	Snapshot with single cross-section or multi-period (panel) of many months or years
2	Satellite data GIS layers	Quantify extent and trends in quality of environmental resources and landscapes. This data will help identify hotspots for policy focus.	Defined/agree d/available arc-second	Global	Days Weeks Months Years	Multi-year (near) Live
3	Macro timeseries	Track macro trends on key natural resources and landscapes. This data may be used models & simulations.	Country Region	National Global	Months Quarters Years	Multi-year

Increasing energy access for those furthest behind and accelerating the transition to renew-able energy.

	Туре	Purpose	Spatial resolution	Spatial frame	Temporal resolution	Timeframe
1	Primary (custom data collection). Secondary (existing with permission to use). Presented as microdata in tables.	Characterize households and communities on access to energy, use of energy and types of sources (non/renewable, electricity, fuels). This data may be used for econometric analyses.	Individual Household Community	Sub-national National Multi-country	Days Weeks Months	Snapshot with single cross- section or multi- period (panel) of many months or years
2	Satellite data GIS layers	Quantify extent and trends in access to energy, use of energy by types of sources (non/renewable, electricity, fuels). This data will help identify hotspots for policy focus.	Defined/agre ed/available arc-second	Global	Days Weeks Months Years	Multi-year (near) Live
3	Macro timeseries Social accounting matrices	Track macro trends on key energy access, use, prices and sources. This data may be used models & simulations.	Country Region	National Global	Months Quarters Years	Multi-year

6. Gender equality

Confronting the structural obstacles to gender equality and strengthening women's economic empowerment and leadership.

	Туре	Purpose	Spatial	Spatial	Temporal	Timeframe
			resolution	frame	resolution	
1	Primary (custom	Characterize	Individual	Sub-national	Days	Snapshot with
	data collection).	gender equality at	Household	National	Weeks	single cross-
	Secondary	household and	Community	Multi-	Months	section or multi-
	(existing with	community level.		country		period (panel)
	permission to use).	This data may be				of many months
	Presented as	used for				or years.
	microdata in	econometric				
	tables.	analyses.				

Theme	Purpose	Spatial resolution	Spatial frame	Temporal resolution	Timeframe	Туре
Poverty, gender, agriculture, health	Characterize households and communities on relevant themes, feed into econometric analyses	Individual, household, community	Sub- national, national, multi- country	Days, weeks, months	Snapshot with single cross- section or multi-period (panel) of many months or years	Primary (custom data collection) or secondary (existing with permission to use). Microdata, tables
Energy access, infrastructure, biodiversity, land use, other resources	Visualize global and local trends on key SDG indicators, identify hotspots for policy focus	Defined/agreed arc-second, tens to hundreds of square meters	Global	Days, weeks, months, years	Multi-year; live	Satellite data, GIS layers
Prices, government expenditures, budgetary allocations	Track macro progress on SDGs, feed into models & simulations	Country, region	National, global	Months, quarters, years	Multi-year	Macro, timeseries, social accounting matrices

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 	
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	

DocuSign Envelope ID: BFB5111B-A381-409D-BACE-52786878A639 **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.

Name:	 	
Title:	 	
Date:	 	
Signature:	 	
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[Stamp with official stamp of the Bidder]

Form B: Bidder Information Form

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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 Financial Statements for the last 3 years to be provided: Dunn & Bradstreet report or Audited Financial Statement (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) including Auditor's Report for last three years duly certified by a Public Accountant, and with authentication of receiving by the Government's Internal Revenue Authority. Include any indication of credit rating, industry rating, etc.

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 the event a Contract is awarded, during contract execution)	[Complete]	e]]]			

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:

□ Letter of intent to form a joint venture **OR** □ 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:

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

\Box Contract non-performance 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)

□ No litigation history for the last 3 years					
□ Litigation History as indicated below					
Year of dispute	Amount in dispute (in US\$)	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount (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 the contract showcasing vendor's or personnel's experience in carrying out exercise of similar value and complexity in at least one of the areas outlined in Annex 1 within the last 5 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.

□ 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)	Historio	3 years				
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3			
	Information from Balance Sheet					
Total Assets (TA)						
Total Liabilities (TL)						
Current Assets (CA)						
Current Liabilities (CL)						
	Information from Income Statement					
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.

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Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[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. Please include the following:
 - (a) documents related to company profile, accreditation, etc.
 - (b) certification, recognition, award, or any relevant information with regards to the firm's reputation in the market.
 - (c) Projects successfully implemented in the past (at least 5 successful projects).
 - (d) Work with multicultural environment and relevant assessment experience with international organization.
- 1.2 Legal standing (Litigation and Arbitration history).
- 1.3 General organizational capability which is likely to affect implementation (i.e., loose consortium, holding company or one firm, size of the firm/organization, strength of project management support, e.g. project financing capacity and project management controls).
- 1.4 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.
- 1.5 Quality assurance procedures and risk mitigation measures reflected in the effective management and successful outcomes of past projects.
- 1.6 Specialized knowledge:
 - (a) Specific knowledge and experience in Treasury Management Systems (TMS) .
 - (b) Total business turnover relating to Treasury Management Systems (TMS).

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 each of the deliverables in the Terms of Reference of the project, keeping in mind the appropriateness to the 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; identify pertinent issues and propose possible solutions related to the project in sufficient detail.
- 2.3 An implementation plan including a Gantt Chart or Project Schedule indicating the detailed sequence of activities for each deliverable that will be undertaken and their corresponding timing.
- 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 Elaborate how your proposed solution/approach offers the necessary flexibility to respond to evolving requirements resulting from organizational change in addition meeting the objectives of the RFP

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 Provide the required qualified CVs for each role in the methodology using template provided below. Each individual must possess the relevant academic qualification and a minimum experiences defined in the TOR. The key personnel mentioned above are indicative and bidders are required to propose the most suitable team structure as per their methodology.

UNDP will evaluate both CVs against the requirements and constitute an average figure for each criterion as listed above in the Technical Proposal Evaluation.

3.2 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.

Format for CV of Proposed Key Personnel

Name of Personnel	[Insert]
Position for this assignment	[Insert]
Nationality	[Insert]
Language proficiency	[Insert]
Education/	[Summarize college/university and other specialized education of personnel member, giving names of schools, dates attended, and degrees/qualifications obtained.]
Qualifications	[Insert]
	[Provide details of professional certifications relevant to the scope of services]
Professional certifications	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]
References	Reference 1: [Insert]
	Reference 2: [Insert]

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)

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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]. Total of Tables 1 & 2.

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: United States Dollars (USD)

Table 1: Breakdown of Price per Deliverable

Deliverable/ Activity description	Time (person days)	Professional Fees	Other Costs	Total
Deliverable 1				
Results of mapping exercise of datasets as well as data sources relevant for social, economic, and political analysis at different administration levels, including hyperlocal geospatial data at granular level.				
Deliverable 2 Submission of datasets containing data collected from identified sources relevant to the policy objectives of the SDG Integration Team.				
Deliverable 3 Submission of APIs as well as any other mechanism allowing access to data and connection with data sources.				
Total				

Table 2: Breakdown of Fees by cost components

Name	Position	Fee Rate	No. of Days/months/ hours	Total Amount
		А	В	C=A+B
		Subtotal	Professional Fees:	
Other Costs: (please spec	;ify)			
· ·			Grand Total	