

ANSWERS TO CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

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To: Interested suppliers
Contact: Maraea S. Pogi (maraeap@sprep.org)
Subject: Request for tenders: **Establishment of MPA/LMMA, and Mangrove/Seagrass Restoration to Address Ocean Acidification in Kiribati**

Q1. Can you please confirm what the anticipated budgets are for:

- Establishment of MPA/LMMA, and Mangrove/Seagrass Restoration to Address Ocean Acidification in Kiribati

Response: We are open to all offers and all bids will be assessed based on best value for money, taking into account all considerations. We wish to elicit budgets from bidders and allow each bidder to propose their estimated cost they deem necessary. We want to encourage bids to be thorough and bidders to design the best possible work package for the in-country recipients whether bidders feel the work requires USD 50,000, 75,000 or some other number.

Q2. Please clarify if any pre-existing marine assessments will be made available to the Consultant.

Response: Yes, where they exist, pre-existing marine assessments will be made available to the successful bidder.

Q3. Please clarify if there is a stipulated baseline monitoring period, as it will affect the delivery of services and meeting the deadline of 15 May 2020 as stated in the tender document. Alternatively, the consultant can propose a minimum monitoring period based on our expert knowledge.

Response: The baseline monitoring period is not stipulated, rather it may be proposed by the bidder based on bidder's expert knowledge.

Q4. Please clarify that any one of the methods of submission i.e. mail or email or fax and/or in person are acceptable?

Response: Preferred method is via email (tenders@sprep.org) to ensure application reaches us before the deadline.

Q5. Is there a word/page limit for the proposal submission?

Response: No, as long as you address each evaluation criteria in the tender application form and demonstrate how you meet the selection criteria.

Q6. What is the likely or planned commencement date for this project? This will enable the consultant to plan for a delivery deadline of 15 May 2020.

Response: Given the deadline for completion noted in the TOR, start date should be as soon as the tender evaluation process is complete.