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ANSWERS TO CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

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Subject: Request for tenders: **Scoping study for landfill rehabilitation and/or climate proofing in Solomon Islands and Vanuatu**

Question 1:

Is it a strict requirement for in-country consultants to be part of the team ?

Response:

Considering that the borders are open again, this requirement can be lifted. But in any case, the consultant or firm must include in the technical and financial offer travels in the country for consultation meetings and interviews with the relevant stakeholders and for visits of the potential sites/landfills to be rehabilitated or climate proofed. The sites will be confirm based on the desktop review with SPREP and in-country focal points

Question 2:

Are the in-country consultants required for stakeholder engagement or some other purpose.

Response:

- i. The in-country consultant is required for consultation meetings with the relevant stakeholders and for visits of the potential sites to be rehabilitated or climate proofed. This can be conducted by overseas consultant but travel in the country must be included in the service. Costs for flights, accommodations, etc. have to be included in the financial offer.
- ii. Note that all meetings involving the SWAP PMU will be conducted both face-to-face with local stakeholders and/or virtually to enable the Samoa-based SWAP coordinator to attend. For overseas consultants/companies wishing to apply for this tender, it is requested that the consultation meetings and interviews with local stakeholders be conducted face-to-face for better engagement, but the final presentation meeting can be held virtually.

Question 3:

Would leaving out the in-country consultant result in a non-compliant bid? If the bidders are able to demonstrate they can conduct the works with qualified landfill specialists who would travel to the countries to conduct the site visit and engagement with the national regulators via existing contacts within the regulators and coordinating with the SWAP programme and SPREP in country offices to set up suitable times for the in country presentations and visits?

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Response:

Proposals who do not include an in-country consultant will still be considered provided they are costed appropriately as outlined in the responses to Q1 and Q2.

Question 4:

We are seeking a clarification on indicative budget for this tender. The TOR states that there is USD110,000 per country allocated for rehabilitation and/or climate proofing of landfills. Is this amount inclusive of the budget for the scoping study? If there is a separate budget for the consulting component it would be useful to get an indicative ceiling or range if possible, as the TOR is fairly broad.

Response:

The objective of the scoping study is to select sites/landfills to be rehabilitated and/or climate proofed and the work to be carried out, considering the activities undertaken or planned by other on-going waste management projects. The budget for rehabilitation and/or climate proofing is USD 110,000/country but this does not include the cost of the scoping study.

The scoping study has a separate budget within the range of USD 70,000 and USD 80,000.

For clarification, the scoping study includes:

- A desktop review of all activities undertaken or planned in terms of landfill rehabilitation and/or climate proofing in Solomon Islands and Vanuatu;
- Interviews/consultations with key relevant stakeholders to identify country needs, expectations and gaps; and
- Selecting site(s)/landfill(s) to be rehabilitated and provide outline of the work to be done, including the forecasted budget.