Request for Quotation (RFQ) for Services Reference No. RfQ17/01494

National company/ organization to provide logistical support for organization of 8 (eight) training sessions aimed at provision of capacity development support to women mayors at their first mandate



Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Request for Quotation RFQ17/01494 for National company/ organization to provide logistical support for organization of 8 (eight) training sessions aimed at provision of capacity development support to women mayors at their first mandate

- 1. The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) is seeking quotation(s) for the procurement of national company/ organization to provide logistical support for organization of 8 (eight) training sessions aimed at provision of capacity development support to women mayors at their first mandate as described in the Annex I to this request for quotation.
- 2. In order to prepare a responsive quotation, you must carefully review, and understand the contents of the following documents:
 - a. This Invitation letter and Quotation Instruction Sheet (QIS)
 - b. Detailed Technical Specifications of the Goods (Annex 1)
 - c. Quotation Submission Form and Quotation Format (Annex 2)
 - d. UN Women General Conditions of Contract (Annex 3)
 - e. Voluntary Agreement (Annex 4)
 - f. Model Form of Contract (Annex 5)
- 3. Quotations submitted by email must be limited to a maximum of 5 MB, virus-free or corrupted contents to avoid rejection, and no more than 5 email transmissions.
- 4. A contract may be awarded to the supplier having submitted the quotation representing the best value for money, i.e. lowest-priced technically-compliant of the proposed offers.
- 5. At the time of the contract award, UN Women reserves the right to vary the quantity of goods by up to a maximum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the total offer without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions
- 6. It is UN Women's intention to issue the contract as presented herein the RFQ documents. Therefore, offerors should ensure any due diligence regarding the legal review and ability to be compliant to all contract terms and conditions is undertaken prior to the submission of your quotation. Submission of a quotation will be confirmation of accepting UN Women General Conditions of Contract included herein.
- 7. In the case two (2) quotations are evaluated and found to be the same ranking in terms of technical qualification and price, UN Women will award contract to the company that is either women-owned or has a majority women employed. This is in support of UN Women's core mandate. In the case that both companies are women-owned or have a majority women employed, UN Women will request best and final offer from both suppliers and shall make a final comparison of the competing suppliers.
- 8. UN Women reserves the right to accept or reject any quotation, and to cancel the process and reject all quotations at any time prior to the award of contract without thereby incurring any liability to the suppliers or any obligation to inform the suppliers of the grounds for such action.
- 9. At any time prior to the deadline for the submission of quotations, UN Women may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a supplier, modify the RFQ by way of a written amendment. All suppliers that have received the RFQ shall be notified in writing of any such amendments. In order to offer suppliers reasonable time to take any such amendments into account in preparing their quotations, UN Women may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission.
- 10. The Quotation Instruction Sheet (QIS) below provides the requisite information for the Supplier as guide to respond to this request.



QUOTATION INSTRUCTION SHEET (QIS)

Instructions to Suppliers	Specific Requirements			
	Date and Time : <i>April 28, 2017 11:59 PM</i>			
Deadline for Submission of	(for local time reference, see <u>www.greenwichmeantime.com</u>)			
Quotation	City and Country: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova			
	This is an absolute deadline, Quotation received after this date and time will be disqualified.			
Method of Submission	☑Personal Delivery/ Courier mail/ Registered Mail			
Wethou of Submission	⊠Electronic submission of Quotation			
Address for Quotation Submission	☑Personal Delivery/ Courier mail/ Registered Mail: UN Women Moldova 131, 31 August 1989 Street MD-2012 Chisinau Republic of Moldova Attention: Registry Office/Procurement ☑Official Address for e-submission: tenders-Moldova@undp.org ☑Free from virus and corrupted files ☑Format: PDF files only ☑Max. File Size per transmission: 5 MB ☑No. of copies to be transmitted: 1 (one) ☑Mandatory subject of email for Quotation: "RfQ17/01494: National company/organization to provide logistical support for organization of 8 (eight) training sessions aimed at provision of capacity development support to women mayors at their first mandate" ☑Time Zone to be Recognized: Moldova (GMT+2:00) Quotations should be submitted to the designated address by the date and time of the deadline given.			
Language of the Quotation	⊠English □ French □ Spanish □ Others			
Quotation Currencies	□United States Dollars □Euro ☑Moldovan Lei			
Quotation Validity Period commencing after closing date of RFQ	60 days UN Women may exceptionally request vendor to extend quotation validity beyond the initial period indicated in the RFQ. Request will be communicated in writing.			
Partial Quotes	☑ Not permitted			
Payment Terms	☑ 100% upon completion and satisfactory receipt of goods			
Alternative Offer	⊠Not authorized			



Instructions to Suppliers	Specific Requirements			
	Alternative offer is authorized when it represents an improvement over the original offer in terms of exceeding the minimum performance parameters of the request, and is proposed by suppliers as an optional way of fulfilling the needs of the end user.			
	Requests for clarification may be submitted 2 days before the submission date.			
	If the clarification email is different from the submission email address, do not submit any official quotes to the clarification email address. Doing so may invalidate your quote and UN Women will not be able to consider it			
Clarifications of solicitation	Clarification requests of this RFQ shall include the following subject header format: "RFQ17/01494 Request for Clarification from Vendor Name"			
documents	Proposers shall not communicate with any other UN personnel regarding this RFQ.			
	UN Women 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 UN Women to extend the deadline date, unless UN Women deems that such an extension is justified and necessary.			
	E-mail address dedicated for this purpose: elena.ratoi@unwomen.org			
Contact for requesting	Suppliers must not communicate with any other personnel of UN Women regarding this RFQ.			
clarifications:	UN Women shall have no obligation to confirm receipt or response to query for any form of communication sent to an email other than the designated email address.			
December 1 and Continue	☐ Paper Mail			
Responses to clarification requests will be binding on all	□ E-mail			
Suppliers and will be distributed via:	□ <u>UN Women Website</u>			
	☑Other http://www.undp.md/tenders//tnddetails2/1494/			
Expected Delivery Date and	☑As per Delivery Schedule attached			
Time. Quotations can be rejected if the	Time Zone of Reference : Chisinau, the Republic of Moldova			
delivery date and time exceeds the stipulated date and time requested in the RFQ				
Value Added Tax on Price Quotation	⊠Must be exclusive of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes			
	☑Duly Accomplished Form as provided in Annex 2, and in accordance with the list of requirements in Annex 1;			
	☑Company profile (short info up to 1 page);			
Documents to be submitted	⊠Copy of Company's Registration Certificate;			
	☑Detailed technical description of the offered goods;			
	☑Quality Certificates (ISO, etc.);			
	☑Food Safety and Hygiene Certificates for Food and Beverages;			



Instructions to Suppliers	Specific Requirements	
	☑Written Self-Declaration of not being included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 list, UN Procurement Division List or other UN Ineligibility List.	
	☑Technical responsiveness/Full compliance to requirements and lowest price	
Evaluation Criteria	☑Minimum 2 years experience in the field;	
	☑Availability of certificates of quality;	
	☑Full acceptance of requested schedule of events;	
	☑Full acceptance of the UN Women General Conditions of Contract¹	
Town of Country at the backing of	☑Purchase Order	
Type of Contract to be Signed	☑Other Type/s of Contract: for Services	
UN Women will award to:	☑ One and only one supplier	
Special conditions of Contract	☑ Cancellation of PO/Contract if the delivery/completion is delayed by 20 days	

11. UN Women's <u>vendor protest procedure</u> provides an opportunity for appeal to supplier(s) who believe that they were not treated fairly. This <u>link</u> provides further details regarding UN Women's vendor protest procedures.

Suppliers, their subsidiaries, agents, intermediaries and principals must cooperate with the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) of the United Nations, UN Women Internal Audit and Investigations Group (IAIG) as well as with other investigations authorized by the Executive Director and with the UN Women Ethics Office as and when required. Such cooperation shall include, but not be limited to the following: access to all employees, representatives, agents and assignees of the supplier; as well as production of all documents requested, including financial records.

Failure to fully cooperate with investigations will be considered sufficient grounds to allow UN Women to repudiate and terminate the contract, and to debar and remove the supplier from UN Women's list of registered suppliers.

- 12. UN Women implements a zero tolerance on fraud and other proscribed practices, and is committed to identifying and addressing all such acts and practices against UN Women, as well as third parties involved in UN Women activities. UN Women expects its suppliers to adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct found in this link: http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct_english.pdf
- 13. This letter is not to be construed in any way as an offer to contract with your organization.

Yours sincerely,

Galina Corgoja, Operations Manager

¹ This is a mandatory criteria and cannot be deleted regardless of the nature of goods being requested



SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS OF SERVICES

Purpose:

Under the overall guidance and direct supervision of Women in Politics UN Women Component Manager and in close collaboration with representatives of CALM, the national company will be responsible to provide logistical support as venue, catering, accommodation, etc. to ensure smooth organization of 8 (eight) 2,5- days training sessions for up to 25 people each (approximately 22 women mayors at their first mandate and organization team), delivered in two modules (4 trainings on effective and gender responsive local governance and 4 trainings on effective communication, engagement and leadership for gender equality).

Location: central city area or close to city center, secured and with good road access to the venue. Venue to be accessible to persons with disability.

Tentative schedule of events	Tentative number of participants	Accommodation Required (Y/N)
June, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes
June, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes
July, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes
July, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes
September, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes
September, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes
October, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes
October, 2017	Up to 25 participants	Yes

Remark: Dates of events and number of participants might slightly vary. The company should agree prior events with Women in Politics UN Women Component Manager and representatives of CALM on the date, number of participants and services to be delivered.

#	Generic Description	Estimated Q-ty	Price Quote
1	Accommodation: in standard double rooms (two beds), minimum 3 stars or equivalent); within Chisinau area, including breakfast (up to 20 people per training)	10 rooms (20 participants accommodated in double rooms) X 2 nights per training X 8 trainings	Per night/ per room
2	Conference hall to fit up to 25 persons, equipped with air conditioner, wireless internet minimum speed 250 Kpbs. It is highly desirable that conference room has no prominent physical barriers (pillars, furniture, walls, etc.). The room should include the following:	2,5 days X 8 trainings	Per day
	Laptop, video projector and screen	1 set	Per day



	Flipchart (with paper or white/magnetic boards with suitable markers)	1 unit	Per day
3	Still/sparkling water in bottles of 0.5 l in the conference room (for up to 25 persons per training).	25 people X 2 bottles per day X 2.5 days X 8 trainings	Per unit/ per person
4	Coffee breaks in the same building with conference hall, in adequate space to comfortably serving coffee (for up to 25 persons per event). Coffee breaks should include minimum of: tea, natural coffee, cream, cookies, salty pastries (2 types), sweet pastries (2 types); (2 breaks per person per day).	25 people X 2 coffee breaks per day X 2,5 days X 8 trainings	Per unit/ per person
5	3- course business lunch in the same building with conference hall, in a separate room or terrace (for up to 25 persons per training). Lunch should include juice and/ or water as well. Vegetarian option (with fish) or vegan option (no animal products) should also be available to willing guests.	25 people X 3 lunches per training X 8 trainings	Per unit/ per person
6	Dinner in the same building with conference hall, in a separate room or terrace or in very close proximity with conference hall (for up to 25 persons per training). Dinner should include, at minimum: main course: meat or fish; pasta, potatoes with vegetables or other side dish; salad bar or assorted vegetables, fruit juice, mineral water, coffee and tea. Vegetarian option (with fish) or vegan option (no animal products) should also be available to willing guests	25 people X 2 dinners per training X 8 trainings	Per unit/ per person



Date: [insert date of Proposal Submission]

QUOTATION SUBMISSION FORMS

STATEMENT OF CONFIRMATION

[The supplier shall fill in this form with no alterations or substitutions to its format and content]

To: UN Women Moldova

131, 31 August 1989 Street, MD-2012 Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Attention: Registry Office/Procurement

We, the undersigned, declare that:

- (a) We (representatives of this company, inclusive of any associated legal representatives) have examined the minimum requirements, terms and clauses and have no reservations to the RFQ including all annexes;
- (b) We agree to abide by this RFQ and in accordance with the UN Women General Conditions of Contract (Annex IV) and will not request any changes to the existing terms, conditions and clauses;
- (c) We offer to supply in conformity with the RFQ17/01494, the following provision of logistical support for organization of 8 (eight) training sessions aimed at provision of capacity development support to women mayors at their first mandate and undertake, if our offer is accepted, to commence and complete delivery of all goods specified in the contract within the time frame stipulated;
- (d) We offer to supply for the sum as may be ascertained in accordance with the Quotation submitted and with the instructions under the Quotation Instruction Sheet;
- (e) Our offer shall be valid for a period of **60** days from the date fixed for opening the RFQ, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period;
- (f) We understand that UN Women is not bound to accept the lowest evaluated quotation or any other quotation that you may receive.

SIGNATURE AND CONFIRMATION OF THE RFQ

PROVIDED THAT A PURCHASE ORDER IS ISSUED BY UN WOMEN **WITHIN THE QUOTATION VALIDITY PERIOD STATED ABOVE**, THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY COMMITS, SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF SUCH PURCHASE ORDER, TO FURNISH ANY OR ALL ITEMS AT THE PRICES OFFERED AND TO DELIVER SAME TO THE DESIGNATED POINT(S) WITHIN THE DELIVERY TIME STATED ABOVE. THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY SIGNS IN CONFIRMATION THAT THEY HAVE REVIEWED THE RFQ AND AGREE TO UN WOMEN CONTRACT MODEL AND THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

Exact name and address of company	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:
COMPANY NAME:	DATE:
ADDRESS:	NAME: (TYPE OR PRINT)
	FUNCTIONAL TITLE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY:
PHONE NO.:	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	E-MAIL ADDRESS:

This quotation submission form MUST be duly completed and returned with the QUOTATION, along with confirmation that the products are in accordance with specifications and requirements of UN Women. The quotation "MUST" be submitted in the vendor's business letterhead stationery. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of your QUOTATION.



Quotation Format

TABLE 1 : Offer to Supply Goods Compliant with Technical Specifications and Requirements

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TABLE 3: Compliance Requirements

	Your Responses			
Compliance Requirements :	Yes, we will comply	No, we cannot comply	Provide reasons for non-compliance	
Payment terms 30 days upon receipt of invoice				
Validity Period of Quotation: 60 days				
All Provisions of the UN Women General Terms and Conditions				

All other information that we have not provided automatically implies our full compliance with the requirements, terms and conditions of the RFQ.



UN WOMEN GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

The GCs can be accessed by supplier from UN W website (http://www.unwomen.org/en/about-us/procurement)

or directly by clicking on the below link:

http://www.unwomen.org/~/media/commoncontent/procurement/unwomen -generalconditionsofcontract-services-en.pdf



VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT TO PROMOTE GENDER EQUALITY

Voluntary Agreement to Promote Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment	
Between (Name of the Contractor)	
And The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women	
The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, a composite entity of United Nations established by the United Nations General Assembly by its resolution 64/289 of 2 July 2 (hereinafter referred to as "UN Women") strongly encourages () (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor") to partake in achieving the following objectives:	010
 □ Acknowledge values & principles of gender equality (http://www.unwomen.org/en/about-us/guiding-documents) and women's empowerment (http://weprinciples.org/Site/PrincipleOverview/); □ Provide information and statistical data (that relates to policies and initiatives that promote gender equand women empowerment), upon request; 	ality
 □ Participate in dialogue with UN Women to promote gender equality and women's empowerment in t location, industry and organization; □ Establish high-level corporate leadership for gender equality; 	heir
☐ Treat women and men fairly at work and respect and support human rights and nondiscrimination, include through equal pay policies;	ding
 □ Ensure health, safety and wellbeing of all women and men workers; □ Promote education, training and professional development for women; □ Hold gender-specific trainings or courses for staff; 	
 ☐ Implement enterprise development, supply chain and marketing practices that empower women; ☐ Promote equality through community initiatives and advocacy; ☐ Measure and publicly report on progress to achieve gender equality. 	
On behalf of the Contractor:	
Name, Title:	
Address:	
Signature:	
Date:/	
DD MM YYYY	



MODEL FORM OF CONTRACT

CONTRACT - INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

Contract No.

Business Unit:

Organisational Unit/Section/Division/Office/Country:

This Contract is made between the UNITED NATIONS ENTITY FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND THE EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN ("UN-Women"), and [insert official name of company in full], with its registered offices at [address] ("Contractor") (Both hereinafter separately and jointly referred to as the "Party" or the "Parties").

1. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The following documents constitute the entire agreement between the Parties with regard to the subject matter hereof ("Contract"), superseding all prior representations, agreements, contracts and proposals, whether written or oral, by and between the Parties on this subject, and in case of ambiguities, discrepancies or inconsistencies between or among them, shall apply in the following order of precedence:

- (a) This document;
- (b) UN-Women General Conditions of Contract—Contracts for the Provision of Services, annexed hereto as Annex A ("General Conditions");
- (c) Terms of Reference, annexed hereto as Annex B ("TOR");

2. **SCOPE**

The Contractor shall perform services ("Services") as specified in the TOR. Except as expressly provided in this Contract and in particular the TOR, (i) UN-Women shall have no obligation to provide any assistance to the Contractor in performing the Services; (ii) UN-Women makes no representations as to the availability of any facilities or equipment which may be helpful or useful for performing the Services (iii) The Contractor shall be responsible at its sole cost for providing all the necessary personnel, equipment, material and supplies and for making all arrangements necessary for the performance and completion of the Services.

3. DURATION

This Contract shall take effect on the date of the latest signature (the "Effective Date") and shall remain in effect until [insert date], unless earlier terminated ("Initial Term"). UN Women may, at its sole option, extend the Contract, under the same terms and conditions as set forth in this Contract, for a maximum of [number] additional period[s] of up to [time period] each. UN Women shall provide a written notice of its intention to do so at least 30 (thirty) days prior to the expiration of the then Initial Term.

4. PRICE & PAYMENT

In full consideration for the complete and satisfactory performance of the Services under this Contract, UN-WOMEN shall pay the Contractor a total fixed fee of [insert currency & amount in figures and words]. This fee shall remain firm and fixed during the term of the Contract. The Contractor shall submit invoices only upon achievement of the corresponding milestones and for the following amounts:

MILESTONE	<u>AMOUNT</u>		TARGET DATE
Upon		.//	
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5. INVOICES



The Contractor shall submit to UN-Women an original copy of its invoices, as is required in the preceding Article, specifying, at a minimum, a description of the Services performed, the unit prices in accordance with the Fee Schedule (if relevant), and the total price of the Services, together with such supporting documentation as UN Women may require, as follows:

[Insert address and contact details for submission of invoices].

6. PAYMENT

Date

Payments shall be made to the Contractor thirty (30) days from receipt of the Contractor's invoice and supporting documentation and certification by UN-Women that the Services represented by the invoice have been provided and that the Contractor has otherwise performed in conformity with the terms and conditions of this Contract, unless UN-Women disputes the invoice or a portion thereof. All payments to the Contractor shall be made by electronic funds transfer to the Contractor's bank account, as follows:

this Contract, unless UN-Women disputes the invoice or a portion thereof. All payments to the Contractor shall be made by electronic funds transfer to the Contractor's bank account, as follows:
Name of Bank: Bank Address: Bank ID: Account No: Title/name:
All payments will be done by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Moldova on behalf of UN Women Moldova Office
UN-Women may withhold payment in respect of any invoice if it considers that the Contractor has not performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract or has not provided sufficient documentation in support of the invoice. Where an invoice is disputed in part, UN-Women shall pay the Contractor any undisputed portion and the Parties shall consult in good faith to promptly resolve outstanding issues. Once the dispute has been resolved, UN-Women shall pay the Contractor the relevant amount within thirty (30) days. The Contractor shall not be entitled to interest on any late payment or any sums payable under this Contract or any accrued interest on payments withheld by UN-Women in connection with a dispute.
7. NOTIFICATIONS
All notices and other communications between the Parties required or contemplated under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be transmitted to the following:
For UN-Women:
[Insert Name, Address, Phone and Email]
For the Contractor:
[Insert Name, Address, Phone and Email]
IN WITNESS WHEREOF , the Parties have, through their authorized representatives, executed this Contract on the date herein below written.
For and on behalf of UN-Women: For and on behalf of the Contractor:
Signature
Name
Title