

NAME & ADDRESS OF FIRM:	DATE: 12.10.2018
	DEFENDENCE DE 10/01020
	REFERENCE: RfQ-18/01829

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your quotation for **Study tour to Czech Republic**, as detailed in Annex 1 of this RFQ. When preparing your quotation, please be guided by the form attached hereto as Annex 2.

Quotations may be submitted on or before **26 October 2018**, **16:30 (Moldova local time)** via etendering system to the address below:

https://etendering.partneragencies.org

Username: event.guest Password: why2change

BU Code: MDA10 and Event ID 0000002924

Once uploaded, Bidders that have accepted the invitation in the system will be notified via e-mail that changes have occurred. It is responsibility of the Bidder to view the respective changes and clarifications in the system.

Please Consult eTendering Resources for Bidders for additional information on bidding: http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/procurement-notices/resources/

Quotations shall be submitted in English or Romanian duly signed and stamped and shall be marked with the note "RfQ-18/01829 Study tour to Czech Republic

It shall remain your responsibility to ensure that your quotation will reach the address above on or before the deadline. Quotations that are received by UNDP after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation. If you are submitting your quotation by email, kindly ensure that they are signed and in the .pdf format, and free from any virus or corrupted files.

Please take note of the following requirements and conditions pertaining to the supply of the abovementioned good/s:

Latest Expected Delivery	
Date and Time (if delivery	☑ Prague, Czech Republic
time exceeds this, quote	
may be rejected by UNDP)	
Delivery Schedule	⊠As per attached Annex 2 – Specification of Services Request

Preferred Currency of Quotation ¹	⊠United States Dollars
Value Added Tax on Price Quotation	☑ Must be exclusive of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes
After-sales services required	N/A
Deadline for the	26 October 2018, 16:30 (Moldova local time)
Submission of Quotation All documentations, including catalogs, instructions and operating manuals, shall be in this language	⊠ English
	☑ Electronic submission of Quotation https://etendering.partneragencies.org
	Username: event.guest Password: why2change
Documents to be submitted	Please note: 1. It is strongly recommended to create your username with two parts, your first name and last name separately by ".", similar to the one shown above. 2. You can participate in the proposal event only if you have registered in the system.
	 ☑ 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 3 page) with detailed description of previous assignments; ☑ Copy of Company's Registration Certificate; ☑ Detailed itinerary description, hotel, transport reservations; ☑ Written Self-Declaration of not being included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 list, UN Procurement Division List or other UN Ineligibility List.
	⊠ 60 days
Period of Validity of Quotes starting the Submission Deadline Date	In exceptional circumstances, UNDP may request the Vendor to extend the validity of the Quotation beyond what has been initially indicated in this RFQ. The Proposal shall then confirm the extension in writing, without any modification whatsoever on the Quotation.
Partial Quotes	☑ Not permitted
Payment Terms	40 % Upon satisfactory delivery of services and submission of the Preliminary report on study tour, incl. detailed agenda and logistic note; 60 % Upon satisfactory delivery of the Final report, incl. all training materials, feedback questionnaire from the participants and all of the media outcomes (with a set of professional photos and one photo video story);
Liquidated Damages	1.0% of contract for every day of delay, up to a maximum duration of 15 calendar days. Thereafter, the contract may be terminated.

¹ Local vendors must comply with any applicable laws regarding doing business in other currencies. Conversion of currency into the UNDP preferred currency, if the offer is quoted differently from what is required, shall be based only on UN Operational Exchange Rate prevailing at the time of UNDP's issuance of Purchase Order.

Evaluation Criteria	 ☑ Technical responsiveness/Full compliance to Terms of Reference and lowest price²; ☑ Corporate experience: Previous working experience from the Czech Republic in terms of a specific track record of cooperation with institutions and bodies responsible for public policies in urban planning and transport mobility, at least for 5 years; Experience with organizing study tours and trainings for participants from abroad, preferably from the region (Russian speaking countries from Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent states – CIS), at least three (3) similar assignments; Experience in cooperation with international organizations; at least three (3) projects; Previous cooperation with UNDP; ☑ Project Personnel; Advanced (MA) university degree in environment, architecture, environmental economics, urban development or a working experience equivalent; At least five (5) years of experience in cooperation with international organizations or other public and private bodies responsible for urban mobility and urban planning (at least 3 similar assignments); Previous working experience with any international agency; Experience with Eastern European countries; Proven track record in organizing study tours and trainings for foreign officials and stakeholders (at least 3 similar assignments); ☑ Full acceptance of the PO/Contract General Terms and Conditions; ☑ Availability of authorization or license in tourist services;
UNDP will award to:	☑ One and only one service provider
Type of Contract to be Signed	⊠ Purchase Order
Special conditions of Contract	⊠ N/A
Conditions for Release of	☑ Written Acceptance of Services based on full compliance with RFQ
Payment Annexes to this RFQ	requirements Specifications of the Services Required (Annex 1) Form for Submission of Quotation (Annex 2) General Terms and Conditions / Special Conditions (Annex 3). Non-acceptance of the terms of the General Terms and Conditions (GTC) shall be grounds for disqualification from this procurement process.
Contact Person for Inquiries (Written inquiries only) ³	Alexandru Rotaru, Project Manager alexandru.rotaru@undp.org Any delay in UNDP's response shall be not used as a reason for extending the deadline for submission, unless UNDP determines that such an extension is necessary and communicates a new deadline to the Proposers.

² UNDP reserves the right not to award the contract to the lowest priced offer, if the second lowest price among the responsive offer is found to be significantly more superior, and the price is higher than the lowest priced compliant offer by not more than 10%, and the budget can sufficiently cover the price difference. The term "more superior" as used in this provision shall refer to offers that have exceeded the pre-determined requirements established in the specifications. ³ This contact person and address is officially designated by UNDP. If inquiries are sent to other person/s or address/es, even if they are UNDP staff, UNDP shall have no obligation to respond nor can UNDP confirm that the query was received.

Services offered shall be reviewed based on completeness and compliance of the quotation with the minimum specifications described above and any other annexes providing details of UNDP requirements.

The quotation that complies with all of the specifications, requirements and offers the lowest price, as well as all other evaluation criteria indicated, shall be selected. Any offer that does not meet the requirements shall be rejected.

Any discrepancy between the unit price and the total price (obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity) shall be re-computed by UNDP. The unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected. If the supplier does not accept the final price based on UNDP's re-computation and correction of errors, its quotation will be rejected.

After UNDP has identified the lowest price offer, UNDP reserves the right to award the contract based only on the prices of the goods in the event that the transportation cost (freight and insurance) is found to be higher than UNDP's own estimated cost if sourced from its own freight forwarder and insurance provider.

At any time during the validity of the quotation, no price variation due to escalation, inflation, fluctuation in exchange rates, or any other market factors shall be accepted by UNDP after it has received the quotation. At the time of award of Contract or Purchase Order, UNDP reserves the right to vary (increase or decrease) 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.

Any Purchase Order that will be issued as a result of this RFQ shall be subject to the General Terms and Conditions attached hereto. The mere act of submission of a quotation implies that the vendor accepts without question the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP herein attached as Annex 3.

UNDP is not bound to accept any quotation, nor award a contract/Purchase Order, nor be responsible for any costs associated with a Supplier's preparation and submission of a quotation, regardless of the outcome or the manner of conducting the selection process.

Please be advised that UNDP's vendor protest procedure is intended to afford an opportunity to appeal for persons or firms not awarded a purchase order or contract in a competitive procurement process. In the event that you believe you have not been fairly treated, you can find detailed information about vendor protest procedures in the following link: http://www.undp.org/procurement/protest.shtml.

UNDP encourages every prospective Vendor to avoid and prevent conflicts of interest, by disclosing to UNDP if you, or any of your affiliates or personnel, were involved in the preparation of the requirements, design, specifications, cost estimates, and other information used in this RFQ.

UNDP implements a zero tolerance on fraud and other proscribed practices, and is committed to identifying and addressing all such acts and practices against UNDP, as well as third parties involved in UNDP activities. UNDP 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.

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your quotation.

Sincerely yours,

Denis Suschevici, Head of Procurement Unit UNDP Moldova

General Terms and Conditions

1. LEGAL STATUS

The Contractor shall be considered as having the legal status of an independent contractor vis-à-vis UNDP. The Contractor's personnel and sub-contractors shall not be considered in any respect as being the employees or agents of UNDP or the United Nations.

2. OBLIGATIONS

The contractor shall neither seek nor accept instructions from any authority external to the United Nations Development Programme in connection with the performance of its services under this Contract. The contractor shall refrain from any action, which may adversely affect the United Nations Development Programme and shall fulfil its commitments with fullest regard for the interest of the United Nations. The contractor shall not advertise or otherwise make public the fact that it is a contractor with the United Nations Development Programme. Also the contractor shall, in no other manner whatsoever use the name, emblem or official seal of the United Nations Development Programme or any abbreviation of the name of the United Nations in connection with its business or otherwise. Contractors may not communicate at any time to any other person, Government or authority external to the United Nations or any information known to them by reason of their association with the United Nations which has not been made public, except in the course of their duties or by authorization of the Secretary-General or his designate; nor shall contractors at any time use such information to private advantage. These obligations do not lapse upon termination of their agreement with the United Nations Development Programme.

3. TITLE RIGHTS

- (a) The United Nations shall be entitled to all property rights including but not limited to patents, copyrights and trademarks, with regard to material which bears a direct relation to or is made in consequence of, the services provided to the Organization by the contractor. At the request of the United Nations, the contractor shall assist in securing such property rights and transferring them to the Organization in compliance with the requirements of the applicable law. At the request of the United Nations, the contractor shall take all necessary steps, execute all necessary documents and generally assist in securing such property rights and transferring them to the Organization in compliance with the requirements of the applicable law.
- (b) Title to any equipment and supplies which may be furnished by the United Nations shall rest with the United Nations and any such equipment shall returned to the United Nations at the conclusion of this Contract or when no longer needed by the contractor. Such equipment when returned to the United Nations, shall be in the same condition as when delivered to the Contractor, subject to normal wear and tear.

4. SUB-CONTRACTING

In the event the Contractor requires the services of sub-contractors, the Contractor shall obtain the prior written approval and clearance of UNDP for all sub-contractors. The approval of UNDP of a sub-contractor shall not relieve the Contractor of any of its obligations under this Contract. The terms of any sub-contract shall be subject to and conform with the provisions of this Contract.

1. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

The contractor shall indemnify, hold and save harmless and defend, at its own expense, the UN, its officers, agents, servants and employees from and against all suits, claims, demands and liability of any nature or kind, including costs and expenses arising out of acts or omissions of the contractor or his employees or subcontractors in the performance of this Contract. This clause shall extend to claims and liability in the nature of workmen's compensation claims or liability or those arising out of the use of patented inventions or devices.

In compliance with this clause, the contractor shall obtain and maintain adequate liability and property damage insurance in respect of any tort action or tort claim arising out of contractor's acts or omissions related to this Contract. The contractor shall, upon request, provide proof of such insurance.

The Contractor shall not permit any lien, attachment or other encumbrance by any person to remain on file in any public office or on file with the UN against any monies due or to become due for any work done or materials furnished under this Contract, or by reason of any other claim or demand against the contractor.

2. TERMINATION

This Contract may be terminated by either party before the expiry date of the Contract by giving notice in writing to the other party. The period of notice shall be five days in the case of contracts for a total period of less than two months and fourteen days in the case of contracts for a longer period. In the event of the Contract being terminated prior to its due expiry date in this way, the contractor shall be compensated on a pro rata basis for no more than the actual amount of work performed to the satisfaction of the United Nations. Additional costs incurred by the United Nations resulting from the termination of the Contract by the contractor may be withheld from any amount otherwise due to the contractor from the United Nations.

3. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any controversy or claim arising out of, or in accordance with this Contract or any breach thereof, shall, unless it is settled by direct negotiation, be settled in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules as at present in force. The parties shall be bound by any arbitration award rendered as a result of such arbitration as the final adjudication of any such controversy or claim.

4. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Nothing in or relating to this Contract shall be deemed a waiver, express or implied, of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs.

5. OBSERVANCE OF THE LAW

The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations bearing upon the performance of its obligations under the terms of this Contract.

6. AUTHORITY TO MODIFY

No modification or change in this Contract, no waiver of any of its provisions or any additional contractual relationship of any kind with the Contractor shall be valid and enforceable against UNDP unless provided by an amendment to this Contract signed by the authorized official of UNDP.