

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

Company to conduct a market study on introducing additional instruments on the market for higher uptake of EE&RES measures by MSMEs in Moldova

RFP Reference No.: RfP25/03081

Project: Greening the future, advancing rights and stability Moldova

Country: Moldova, Republic of



#### **SECTION 1: LETTER OF INVITATION**

United Nations Development Programme, through its "Greening the future, advancing rights and stability\_Moldova" Project hereby invites prospective proposers to submit a proposal in accordance with the General Conditions of Contract and the Terms of Reference as set out in this Request for Proposal (RFP). To enable you to submit a proposal, please read the following attached documents carefully.

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· Form K: Format for Financial Proposal

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 Section 3: Data Sheet.

Should you be interested to submit a proposal, please log in to the Quantum NextGenERP supplier portal and subscribe to this tender following the instructions in the system user guide. Please search for the tender using search filters, namely **Negotiation ID: UNDP-MDA-00761**. Once subscribed to the tender, you will be able to receive notifications in case of amendments of the tender document and requirements.

Please indicate whether you intend to submit a bid by creating a draft response without submitting directly in the Quantum NextGenERP supplier portal.

Offers must be submitted directly in the Quantum NextGenERP supplier portal following this link: <a href="http://supplier.quantum.partneragencies.org/">http://supplier.quantum.partneragencies.org/</a> using the profile you may have in the portal (please log in using your username and password). In case you have never registered before, follow the <a href="https://supplier.portal.new.registration">Supplier Portal Registration</a> Link.

Please note that the access link to the Supplier registered profile is sent from Oracle within up to 3 days. In case you have not received the access link after 3 days since registration, you should address for support to UNDP at the email address: <a href="mailto:sc.md@undp.org">sc.md@undp.org</a>. In case you encounter errors with registration (e.g. system states Supplier already is registered), you should address for support to UNDP at the email address: <a href="mailto:sc.md@undp.org">sc.md@undp.org</a>.

Computer firewall could block *oracle* or *undp.org extension* and Suppliers might not receive the Oracle notifications. Please turn down any firewalls on your computers to ensure receipt of email notification.

Do not create a new profile if you already have one. Use the forgotten password feature in case you do not remember the password or the username from previous registration.



Should you require further clarifications on the application through the Quantum online portal, kindly contact the Procurement Unit at <a href="mailto:sc.md@undp.org">sc.md@undp.org</a>. Please pay attention that the proposal shall be submitted online through the Quantum system and any proposal sent to the above email shall be disqualified.

Should you require further clarifications on the Request for Proposal, Terms of Reference or other requirements, kindly communicate using the messaging functionality in the portal.

Deadline for Submission of Offers (Date and Time), which is visible in the online procurement system will be final. System will not accept submission of any proposal after that date and time. It is the responsibility of the bidder to make sure that the proposal is submitted prior to this deadline for submission.

Bidders are advised to upload proposal documents and to submit their offer a day prior or well before the date and time indicated under the deadline for submission of Offers. Do not wait until last minute. If Bidder faces any issue during submitting offers at the last minutes prior to the deadline for submission, UNDP may not be able to assist on such a short notice and will not be held liable in such instance. UNDP will not accept any offer that is not submitted directly through the System.

We look forward to receiving your proposal.

**UNDP Moldova** 



#### **SECTION 2: INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS**

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1.	Scope	Proposers are invited to submit a proposal for the services specified in Section 5: Terms of Reference, in accordance with this Request for Proposal (RFP). A summary of the scope of the proposal is included in Section 3: Data Sheet.			
		Proposers shall adhere to all the requirements of this RFP, including any amendment made in writing by UNDP. This RFP is conducted in accordance with Policies and Procedures of UNDP which can be accessed at <a href="UNDP Programme and Operations Policies">UNDP Programme and Operations Policies</a> and <a href="Procedures/Procurement">Procedures/Procurement</a> .			
		As part of the bid, it is desired that the Bidder registers at the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) website ( <a href="www.ungm.org">www.ungm.org</a> ). 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.	Interpretation of the RFP	Any proposal submitted will be regarded as an offer by the proposer and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of the proposal by UNDP. UNDP is under no obligation to award a contract to any proposer as a result of this RFP.			
3.	Supplier Code of Conduct, Fraud, Corruption, Gifts and Hospitality	All proposers must read the United Nations Supplier Code of Conduct and acknowledge that it provides the minimum standards expected of suppliers to the UN. The Code of Conduct, which includes <b>principles on labour, human rights, environment and ethical conduct</b> may be found at: <a href="https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/about-us/un-supplier-code-conduct">https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/about-us/un-supplier-code-conduct</a>			
		Moreover, suppliers should note that certain provisions of the Code of Conduct will be binding on the supplier in the event that the supplier is awarded a contract, pursuant to the terms and conditions of any such contract.			
		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 <a href="UNDP Policy against fraud and other corrupt practices">UNDP Policy against fraud and other corrupt practices</a> .			
		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.			
		In pursuance of this policy, UNDP:			
		<ul> <li>(a) Shall reject a proposal if it determines that the selected proposer has engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;</li> <li>(b) Further to the UNDP's vendor sanctions policy, shall declare a vendor ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period, 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.</li> </ul>			
4.	Eligible	Proposers shall have the legal capacity to enter into a binding contract with UNDP.			
	proposers	A proposer, and all parties constituting the proposer, may have the nationality of any country with the exception of the nationalities, if any, listed in Section 3: Data Sheet. A proposer shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the proposer is a citizen or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country.			
		All proposers found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. Proposers may be considered to have a conflict of interest if they are or have been associated in the past, with a firm or any of its affiliates that have been engaged by UNDP to provide consulting 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 services			



required in the present procurement process; were involved in the preparation and/or design of the programme/project related to the services requested under this RFP; or are found to be in conflict for any other reason, as may be established by, or at the discretion of UNDP and/or 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.

Failure to disclose such an information may result in the rejection of the proposal or proposals affected by the non-disclosure.

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.

Proposers shall not be eligible to submit a proposal if at the time of proposal submission:

- is included in the Ineligibility List, hosted by <u>UNGM</u>, that aggregates information disclosed by Agencies, Funds or Programs of the UN System;
- is included in the <u>Consolidated United Nations Security Council Sanctions List</u>, including the UN Security Council Resolution 1267/1989 list;
- is included in the <u>World Bank Corporate Procurement Listing of Non-Responsible Vendors</u> and <u>World Bank Listing of Ineligible Firms and Individuals.</u>

## 5. Proprietary information

The RFP documents and any Terms of Reference or information issued or furnished by UNDP are issued solely for the purpose of enabling a proposal to be completed and may not be used for any other purpose. The RFP documents and any additional information provided to proposers shall remain the property of UNDP. All documents which may form part of the proposal will become the property of UNDP, who will not be required to return them to your firm.

#### 6. Publicity

During the RFP process, a proposer is not permitted to create any publicity in connection with the RFP.

#### SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS

## 7. Clarification of solicitation documents

Proposers may request clarifications on any of the RFP documents no later than the date indicated in Section 3: Data Sheet. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing in the manner indicated in Section 3: Data Sheet. Explanations or interpretations provided by personnel other than the named contact person will not be considered binding or official.

UNDP will provide the responses to clarifications through the method specified in Section 3: Data Sheet.

UNDP shall endeavour 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



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		the submission date of the proposals, unless UNDP deems that such an extension is justified and necessary.
8.	Amendment of solicitation documents	At any time prior to the deadline for proposal submission, UNDP may for any reason, such as in response to a clarification requested by a proposer, modify the RFP in the form of an amendment to the RFP. Amendments will be made available to all prospective proposers.
		If the amendment is substantial, UNDP may extend the deadline for submission of proposals to give the proposers reasonable time to incorporate the amendment into their proposal.
PRE	PARATION OF PRO	POSALS
9.	Cost of preparation of proposal	The proposer shall bear all costs related to the preparation and/or submission of the proposal, regardless of whether its proposal is selected or not. UNDP shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the procurement process.
10.	Language	The proposal, as well as any and all related correspondence exchanged by the proposer and UNDP, shall be written in the language(s) specified in Section 3: Data Sheet.
11.	Documents establishing eligibility and qualifications of the proposer	The proposer shall furnish documentary evidence of its status as an eligible and qualified vendor, using the forms provided in Section 7 and providing the documents required in those forms. In order to award a contract to a proposer, its qualifications must be documented to UNDP's satisfaction.
11.	a Documents comprising the proposal	The proposal bid shall comprise of the following documents and related forms which details are provided in Section 3: Data Sheet:  Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder; Technical Proposal; Financial Proposal; Proposal Security, if required by DS; Any attachments and/or appendices to the Proposal.
12.	Technical proposal format and content	The proposer is required to submit a technical proposal using the forms provided in Section 7 and taking into consideration the requirements in the RFP.  The technical proposal shall not include any price or financial information. A technical
		proposal containing material financial information may be declared non-responsive.
13.	Financial proposal	The financial proposal shall be prepared using the form provided in Section 7 and taking into consideration the requirements in the RFP. It shall list all major cost components associated with the services, and the detailed breakdown of such costs.
		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.
		Prices and other financial information must not be disclosed in any other place except in the financial proposal.
14.	Currencies	All prices shall be quoted in the currency or currencies indicated in Section 3: Data Sheet. Where proposals are quoted in different currencies, for the purposes of comparison of all proposals:
		<ul> <li>UNDP will convert the currency quoted in the proposal into the UNDP preferred currency, in accordance with the UN Operational Rate of Exchange.</li> <li>In the event that UNDP selects a proposal for award that is quoted in a currency different from the preferred currency in Section 3: Data Sheet, UNDP shall reserve the right to award the contract in the currency of UNDP's preference, using the conversion method specified above.</li> </ul>



•	In case of contract award to a local company, payments will be made in Moldovan
	Leu based on UN Operational Rate of Exchange valid on the date of money transfer,
	as per the "payment terms and conditions" stipulated in this solicitation document:
	https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.php.

 UNDP shall not be kept liable for any fluctuations of the exchange market during contract implementation, the Contractor being legally responsible to register any loss/gain of currency exchange resulting from payments against the Contract in accordance with the national legislation.

#### 15. Duties and taxes

Article II, Section 7, of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities provides, inter alia, that the United Nations, including UNDP as a subsidiary organ, is exempt from all direct taxes, except charges for public utility services, and is exempt from customs restrictions, duties, and charges of a similar nature in respect of articles imported or exported for its official use. All proposals shall be submitted net of any direct taxes and any other taxes and duties, unless otherwise specified in Section 3: Data Sheet

## 16. Proposal validity period

Proposals shall remain valid for the period specified in Section 3: Data Sheet, commencing on the deadline for submission of proposals. A proposal valid for a shorter period may be rejected by UNDP and rendered non-responsive.

During the proposal validity period, the proposer shall maintain its original proposal without any change, including the availability of the key personnel, the proposed rates and the total price.

In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the proposal validity period, UNDP may request proposers 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.

If the proposer agrees to extend the validity of its proposal, it shall be done without any change to the original proposal but will be required to extend the validity of the proposal security, if required, for the period of the extension, and in compliance with Article 17 (Proposal security) in all respects.

The proposer has the right to refuse to extend the validity of its proposal without forfeiting the proposal security, if required, in which case, the proposal shall not be further evaluated.

## 17. Proposal security

A proposal security, if required by Section 3: Data Sheet, shall be provided in the amount and form indicated in the Section 3: Data Sheet. The proposal security shall be valid for a minimum of thirty (30) days after the final date of validity of the proposal.

The proposal security shall be included along with the proposal. If a proposal security is required by the RFP but is not found in the proposal, the offer shall be rejected.

If the proposal security amount, or its validity period, is found to be less than is required by UNDP, UNDP shall reject the proposal.

In the event an electronic submission is allowed in Section 3: Data Sheet, proposers shall include a copy of the proposal security in their proposal and the original of the proposal security must be sent via courier or hand delivery as per the instructions in Section 3: Data Sheet.

Unsuccessful proposers' proposal securities will be discharged/returned as promptly as possible but no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of the period of proposal validity prescribed by UNDP pursuant to Article 16 (Proposal Validity Period).

The Proposal security may be forfeited by UNDP, and the proposal rejected, in the event of any, or combination, of the following conditions:

- If the proposer withdraws its offer during the period of the proposal validity specified in Section 3: Data Sheet, or;
- In the event the successful Proposer fails:



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 to furnish the performance security, insurances, or other documents that UNDP may require as a condition precedent to the effectivity of the contract that may be awarded to the proposer.

#### 18. Joint Venture, Consortium or Association

If the proposer is a group of legal entities that will form or have formed a Joint Venture (JV), Consortium or Association for the proposal, each such legal entity will confirm in their joint proposal that:

- 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, and this will be evidenced by a duly notarised agreement among the
  legal entities, which will be submitted along with the proposal; and
- if they are awarded the contract, the contract shall be entered into by and between UNDP and the designated lead entity, who will be acting for and on behalf of all the member entities comprising the joint venture.

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.

If a JV, Consortium or Association's proposal is the proposal selected for award, UNDP will award the contract to the joint venture, in the name of its designated lead entity. The lead entity will sign the contract for and on behalf of all other member entities.

The lead entity and the member entities of the JV, Consortium or Association shall abide by the provisions of Article 19 (Only one Proposal) herein in respect of submitting only one proposal.

The description of the organization of the JV, Consortium or Association must clearly define the expected role of each of the entities 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.

A JV, Consortium or Association, in presenting its track record and experience, should clearly differentiate between:

- Those that were undertaken together by the JV, Consortium or Association; and
- Those that were undertaken by the individual entities of the JV, Consortium or Association.

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.

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.

## 19. Only one proposal

The proposer (including the individual members of any Joint Venture) shall submit only one proposal, either in its own name or as part of a Joint Venture.

Proposals submitted by two (2) or more proposers shall all be rejected if they are found to have any of the following:

- they have at least one controlling partner, director or shareholder in common;
   or
- any one of them receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from the other/s; or
- they have the same legal representative for purposes of this RFP; or



20. Alternative proposals	<ul> <li>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 proposer regarding this RFP process;</li> <li>they are subcontractors to each other's proposal, or a subcontractor to one proposal also submits another proposal under its name as lead proposer; or some key personnel proposed to be in the team of one proposer participates in more than one proposal received for this RFP process. This condition relating to the personnel, does not apply to subcontractors being included in more than one proposal.</li> <li>Unless otherwise specified in Section 3: Data Sheet, alternative proposals shall not be considered. If submission of alternative proposals is allowed in Section 3: Data Sheet, a proposer may submit an alternative proposal, but only if it also submits a proposal conforming to the RFP requirements. 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 proposals are being submitted, proposer must create an alternate</li> </ul>
	response directly in the system and upload all attachments relevant to the alternate proposal separately together with the alternate response
21. Pre-proposal conference	When appropriate, a pre-proposal conference will be conducted at the date, time and location and according to any instructions specified in Section 3: Data Sheet.
	If it is stated in Section 3: Data Sheet that the pre-proposal conference is mandatory, a Proposer which does not attend the pre-proposal conference shall become ineligible to submit a proposal under this RFP.
	If it is stated in Section 3: Data Sheet that the pre-proposal conference is not mandatory, non-attendance shall not result in disqualification of an interested proposer.
	UNDP will not issue any formal answers to questions from proposers regarding the RFP or proposal process during the pre-proposal conference. All questions shall be submitted in accordance with Article 38 (Clarification of Proposals).
	The pre-proposal conference shall be conducted for the purpose of providing background information only. Without limiting Article 24 (Proposers responsibility) proposers shall not rely upon any information, statement or representation made at the pre-proposal conference unless that information, statement or representation is confirmed by UNDP in writing.
	Minutes of the pre-proposal conference will be disseminated as specified in Section 3: Data Sheet. No verbal statement made during the conference shall modify the terms and conditions of the RFP, unless specifically incorporated in the minutes of the proposer's conference or issued/posted as an amendment to RFP.
22. Site inspection	When appropriate, a site inspection will be conducted at the date, time and location and according to any instructions specified in Section 3: Data Sheet.
	If it is stated in Section 3: Data Sheet that the site inspection is mandatory, a proposer which does not attend the site inspection shall become ineligible to submit a proposal under this RFP.
	If it is stated in Section 3: Data Sheet that the site inspection is not mandatory, non-attendance, shall not result in disqualification of an interested proposer.
	Proposers participating in a site inspection shall be responsible for making and obtaining any visa arrangements that may be required for the proposers to participate in a site inspection.
	Prior to attending a site inspection, proposers shall execute an indemnity and a waiver releasing UNDP in respect of any liability that may arise from:



- loss of or damage to any real or personal property;
   personal injury, disease or illness to, or death of, any person;
- o financial loss or expense, arising out of the carrying out of that site inspection; and
- o transportation by UNDP to the site (if provided) as a result of any accidents or malicious acts by third parties.

UNDPwill not issue any formal answers to questions from proposers regarding the RFP or solicitation process during a site inspection. All questions shall be submitted in accordance with Article 7 (Clarification of solicitation documents).

A site inspection will be conducted for the purpose of providing background information only. Without limiting Article 24 (Proposers Responsibility), proposers shall not rely upon any information, statement or representation made at a site inspection unless that information, statement or representation is confirmed by UNDP in writing.

## 23. Errors or omissions

Proposers shall immediately notify UNDP in writing of any ambiguities, errors, omissions, discrepancies, inconsistencies or other faults in any part of the RFP, with full details of those ambiguities, errors, omissions, discrepancies, inconsistencies or other faults.

Proposers shall not benefit from such ambiguities, errors, omissions, discrepancies, inconsistencies or other faults.

# 24. Proposers responsibility to inform themselves

Proposers shall be responsible for informing themselves in preparing their proposal. In this regard, proposers shall ensure that they:

- examine and fully inform themselves in relation to all aspects of the RFP, including the Contract and all other documents included or referred to in this RFP;
- review the RFP to ensure that they have a complete copy of all documents;
- obtain and examine all other information relevant to the project and the scope of the requirements available on reasonable enquiry;
- verify all relevant representations, statements and information, including those contained or referred to in the RFP or made orally during any clarification meeting or site Inspection or any discussion with UNDP, its employees or agents;
- attend any pre-proposal conference if it is mandatory under this RFP;
- fully inform and satisfy themselves as to requirements of any relevant authorities and laws that apply, or may in the future apply, to the supply of the services; and
- form their own assessment of the nature and extent of the services required as included in Section 5: Terms of Reference and properly account for all requirements in their proposal.

Proposers acknowledge that UNDP, its directors, employees and agents make no representations or warranties (express or implied) as to the accuracy, currency or completeness of this RFP or any other information provided to the proposers.

## 25. No material change(s) in circumstances

The proposer shall inform UNDP of any change(s) of circumstances arising during the RFP process, including but not limited to:

- a change affecting any declaration, accreditation, license or approval;
- major re-organisational changes, company re-structuring, a take-over, buy-out or similar event(s) affecting the operation and/or financing of the proposer or its major sub-contractors;
- a change to any information on which UNDP may rely in assessing proposals.

#### SUBMISSION AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS

## 26. Instruction for proposal submission

The proposer shall submit a complete proposal in the format and comprising the documents and forms in accordance with requirements in Section 3: Data Sheet. The proposal shall be delivered according to the method specified in Section 3: Data Sheet.

The proposal shall be submitted? by the proposer or person(s) duly authorized to commit



	the proposer. The authorization shall be communicated through a document evidencing such authorization issued by the legal representative of the proposing entity, or, if requested, a Power of Attorney, accompanying the proposal.
	Proposers must be aware that the mere act of submission of a proposal, in and of itself, implies that the proposer fully accepts the UNDP General Conditions of Contract.
26A. Online submission	<ul> <li>Electronic submission through online portal shall be governed as follows:</li> <li>Electronic files that form part of the proposal must be in accordance with the format and requirements indicated in Data Sheet;</li> </ul>
	The Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal files MUST BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE and each of them must be uploaded individually and clearly labelled.
	<ul> <li>The Financial Proposal file must be uploaded separately only in the commercial section of the RFP in the system.</li> <li>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 Data Sheet.</li> </ul>
	Detailed instructions on how to submit, modify or cancel a bid in the online portal are provided in the system Bidder User Guide made available in the procurement notice site and in the portal.
27. Deadline for Submission of Proposals and Late Proposals	Complete proposals must be received by UNDP in the manner, and no later than the date and time, specified in Section 3: Data Sheet. If any doubt exists as to the time zone in which the Proposal should be submitted, refer to <a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/">http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/</a> . It shall be the sole responsibility of the proposers to ensure that their proposal is received by the closing date and time. UNDP shall accept no responsibility for proposals that arrive late due to any technical issues and shall only recognise the actual date and time that the proposal was received by UNDP.
	UNDP may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for the submission of proposals by amending the solicitation documents in accordance with Article 8 (Amendment of solicitation documents). In this case, all rights and obligations of UNDP and proposers subject to the previous deadline will thereafter be subject to the new deadline as extended.
28. Withdrawal, substitution and modification of	A proposer may withdraw or modify its proposal after it has been submitted at any time prior to the deadline for submission directly in the system following the instructions provided in the user guide.
proposals	However, after the deadline for proposal submission, the proposals shall remain valid and open for acceptance by UNDP for the entire proposal validity period, as may be extended.
29. Storage of proposals	Proposals received are kept confidential and unopened in the system as part security protocols built in the system until the proposal opening date stated in Section 3: Data Sheet.
30. Proposal opening	There is no mandatory public bid opening for RFPs however UNDP may at its discretion sent a public bid opening report from the system only to suppliers who successfully submitted a proposal. The report will include only the names of the companies but not the financial proposal.
31. Late proposals	Any proposal received by UNDP after the deadline for submission of proposals will be destroyed unless the proposer requests that it be returned and assumes the responsibility and expenses for the re-possession of the returned proposal documents.
	In exceptional circumstances, late proposals may be accepted if it is determined that the submission was sent in ample time prior to the proposal closing and the delay could not be reasonably foreseen by the proposer or were due to force majeure.



EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS				
32. Confidentiality	Information relating to the examination, evaluation, and comparison of proposals, and the recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to proposers or any other persons not officially concerned with such process, even after publication of the contract award.			
	Any effort by a proposer or anyone on behalf of the proposer to influence UNDP in the examination, evaluation and comparison of the proposals or contract award decisions may, at UNDP's decision, result in the rejection of its proposal and may subsequently be subject to the application of prevailing UNDP's vendor sanctions procedures.			
33. Evaluation of proposals	UNDP shall evaluate a proposal using only the methodologies and criteria defined in this RFP. No other criteria or methodology shall be permitted.			
	UNDP shall conduct the evaluation solely on the basis of the submitted technical and financial proposals.			
	Evaluation of proposals shall be undertaken in the following steps:  a) Preliminary examination b) Evaluation of minimum eligibility and qualification (if pre-qualification is not done) c) Evaluation of technical proposals			
	d) Evaluation of financial proposals.			
34. Preliminary examination	UNDP shall examine the proposals to determine whether they are complete with respect to minimum documentary requirements, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the proposals are generally in order, among other indicators that may be used at this stage. UNDP reserves the right to reject any proposal at this stage.			
35. Evaluation of eligibility and qualification	Eligibility and qualification of the proposer will be evaluated against the minimum eligibility and qualification requirements specified in Section 4: Evaluation Criteria and in Article 4 (Eligible proposers).			
	In general terms, vendors that meet the following criteria may be considered qualified:			
	a) They are not included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 Committee's list of terrorists and terrorist financiers, and in UNDP's ineligible vendors' list;			
	b) They have a good financial standing and have access to adequate financial resources to perform the contract and all existing commercial commitments,			
	c) They have the necessary similar experience, technical expertise, production capacity, quality certifications, quality assurance procedures and other resources applicable to the supply of goods and/or services required;			
	d) They are able to comply fully with the UNDP General Terms and Conditions of Contract;			
	e) They do not have a consistent history of court/arbitral award decisions against the Bidder; and			
	f) They have a record of timely and satisfactory performance with their clients.			
36. Evaluation of technical and financial proposals	The evaluation team shall review and evaluate the technical proposals on the basis of their responsiveness to the Terms of Reference and other RFP documents, applying the evaluation criteria, sub-criteria, and point system specified in 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 Section 3: Data Sheet. When necessary, and if stated in the Data Sheet, UNDP may invite technically responsive proposers for a presentation related to their technical proposals. The conditions for the presentation shall be provided in the proposal document where required.			



When necessary, and if stated in the Section 3: Data Sheet, 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.

In the second stage, only the financial proposals of those proposers who achieve the minimum technical score will be opened for evaluation.

The evaluation method that applies for this RFP shall be as indicated in Section 3: Data Sheet, 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 Proposers; or (b) the combined scoring method which will be based on a combination of the technical and financial score.

When the Data Sheet 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%)

#### 37. Postqualification/Due Diligence

UNDP reserves the right to undertake a post-qualification assessment, aimed at determining, to its satisfaction, the validity of the information provided by the proposer. 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 proposer;
- 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 proposer, or with previous clients, or any other entity that may have done business with the proposer;
- Inquiry and reference checking with previous clients on the performance on on-going or completed contracts, including physical inspections of previous works, as deemed necessary;
- e) Physical inspection of the proposer's offices, branches or other places where business transpires, with or without notice to the proposer;
- f) Other means that UNDP may deem appropriate, at any stage within the selection process, prior to awarding the contract.

## 38. Clarification of proposals

UNDP may request clarification or further information in writing from the proposers at any time during the evaluation process. The proposers' responses shall not contain any changes regarding the substance or price of the proposal, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by UNDP in the evaluation of the proposals, in accordance with Instructions to Proposers Article 23 (Errors or omissions).

UNDP may use such information in interpreting and evaluating the relevant proposal but is under no obligation to take it into account.



	Any unsolicited clarification submitted by a proposer 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.		
39. Responsiveness of proposal	UNDP's determination of a proposal's responsiveness is to 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. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that:		
	<ul> <li>a) affects in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the services specified in the contract; or</li> <li>b) limits in any substantial way, inconsistent with the solicitation documents, UNDP's rights or the proposer's obligations under the contract; or</li> <li>c) if rectified would unfairly affect the competitive position of other proposers presenting substantially responsive proposals.</li> </ul>		
	If a proposal is not substantially responsive, it shall be rejected by UNDP and may not subsequently be made responsive by the proposer by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.		
40. Nonconformities, reparable errors and omission	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. These are a matter of form and not of substance and can be corrected or waived without being prejudicial to other proposers.		
	Provided that a proposal is substantially responsive UNDP may request the proposer to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period, 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 proposer to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its proposal.		
	For financial proposals that have been opened, UNDP shall check and correct arithmetical errors as follows:		
	<ul> <li>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;</li> </ul>		
	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.		
	If the proposer does not accept the correction of errors, its proposal shall be rejected, and its proposal security may be forfeited.		
41. Right to accept any proposal and to reject any or all proposals	UNDP reserves the right to accept or reject any proposals, and to annul the proposal process and reject all proposals at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected proposer or proposers or any obligation to inform the affected proposer or proposers of the grounds for UNDP's action. UNDP shall not be obliged to award the contract to the lowest priced offer.		
AWARD OF CONTRACT			
42. Award criteria	Award criteria Prior to expiration of the proposal validity, UNDP shall award the Contract to the qualified proposer based on the award criteria indicated in Section 3: Data Sheet.		



r	Right to vary requirement at time of award	At the time the Contract is awarded, UNDP reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of services originally specified 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 and the solicitation document.
	Notification of award	Prior to the expiration of the period of proposal validity, UNDP will notify the successful proposer in writing by email, fax or post, that its proposal has been accepted. Please note that the proposer, if not already registered at the appropriate level in UNGM, will be required to complete the vendor registration process on the UNGM prior to the signature and finalization of the contract.
45. [	Debriefing	In the event that a proposer is unsuccessful, the proposer may request a debriefing from UNDP. The purpose of the debriefing is to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the proposer's submission, in order to assist the proposer in improving its future proposals for UNDP procurement opportunities. The content of other proposals and how they compare to the proposer's submission shall not be discussed.
	Publication of contract award	UNDP will publish the contract award on UNDP Procurement Notices website <a href="https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm">https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm</a> which is linked to the <a href="https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm">UNDP Procurement Notices website</a> <a href="https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm">https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm</a> which is linked to the <a href="https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm">UNDP Procurement Notices website</a> <a href="https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm">https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm</a> which is linked to the <a href="https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view awards.cfm">UNITH NOTICE N</a>
	Contract Signature	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 Bid Security, if any, and on which event, UNDP may award the Contract to the Second highest rated or call for new Bids.
a 1	Contract Type and General Terms and Conditions	The types of Contract to be signed and the applicable UNDP Contract General Terms and Conditions, as specified in Data Sheet, can be accessed at <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html">http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html</a>
_	Performance security	The successful Proposer, if so specified in Section 3: Data Sheet shall furnish a Performance Security in the amount and form specified herein: <a href="https://popp.undp.org/layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc=/UNDP POPP DOCU MENT LIBRARY/Public/PSU Solicitation Performance%20Guarantee%20Form.docx&amp;action=default,">tion=default,</a> within the specified number of days after receipt of the Contract from UNDP. Banks issuing performance securities must be acceptable to the UNDP comptroller, i.e. banks certified by the central bank of the country to operate as a commercial bank. The Performance Security form is available <a href="here">here</a> . UNDP shall promptly discharge the proposal securities of the unsuccessful proposers pursuant to Article 17 (Proposal security).  Failure of the successful proposer to submit the above-mentioned Performance Security or sign the Contract shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the proposal security. In that event UNDP may award the contract to the next lowest ranked proposer.
f	Bank guarantee for advance payment	Except when the interests of UNDP so require, it is UNDP's standard practice not to make advance payment(s) (i.e., payments without having received any outputs). If an advance payment is allowed as per Section 3: Data Sheet, and if specified there, the proposer shall submit a Bank Guarantee in the full amount of the advance payment using this <a href="mailto:bank">bank</a> guarantee form available at : <a href="https://popp.undp.org/layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc=/UNDP POPP DOCU MENT LIBRARY/Public/PSU Contract%20Management%20Payment%20and%20Taxes">MENT LIBRARY/Public/PSU Contract%20Management%20Payment%20and%20Taxes</a> <a href="mailto:Advanced%20Payment%20Guarantee%20Form.docx&amp;action=default">Advanced%20Payment%20Guarantee%20Form.docx&amp;action=default</a> . Banks issuing bank guarantees must be acceptable to the UNDP comptroller, i.e. banks certified by the central bank of the country to operate as a commercial bank.



51. Liquidated Damages	If specified in Section 3: Data Sheet, UNDP shall apply Liquidated Damages for the damages and/or risks caused to UNDP resulting from the Contractor's delays or breach of its obligations as per the Contract. The payment or deduction of such liquidated damages shall not relieve the Contractor from any of its other obligations or liabilities pursuant to any current contract or purchase order.
52. Proposal protest	Any proposer that believes to have been unjustly treated in connection with this proposal process or any contract that may be awarded as a result of such proposal process may submit a complaint to UNDP.
	The following link provides further details regarding UNDP vendor protest procedures: <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/protest-and-sanctions.html">http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/protest-and-sanctions.html</a>
53. Other Provisions	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 goods and/or services, UNDP shall be entitled to the same lower price. The UNDP General Terms and Conditions shall have precedence.
	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.
	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 <a href="http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view doc.asp?symbol=ST/SGB/2006/15&amp;referer">http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view doc.asp?symbol=ST/SGB/2006/15&amp;referer</a>



#### **SECTION 3: DATA SHEET (DS)**

Ref. Article in Section 2	Description	Specific Instructions / Requirements
1.	Scope	The reference number of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is RfP25/03081.
		The competition goal is to contract a specialized and experienced company (hereinafter "the Company") to conduct a Market study on introducing additional instruments on the market for higher uptake of EE&RES measures by MSMEs in Moldova, as further described in Section 5 of this RFP.
2.	Eligible proposers	Proposers from all countries are eligible to participate in this proposal process.
3.	Clarification of solicitation	Any request for clarification of solicitation documents must be sent directly I the system through <b>Quantum message functionality</b> .
	documents	ATTENTION: PROPOSALS (OR ANY PART OF IT) SHALL NOT BE SUBMITTED IN THE ABOVE MANNER
		Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications / questions:
		5 (five) working days before the submission deadline
		Supplemental information to the RFP and responses / clarifications to queries will be posted directly in the system.
4.	Language	All proposals, information, documents, and correspondence exchanged between UNDP and the proposers in relation to this solicitation process shall be in <b>English and/or Romanian</b> .
5.	Partial proposals	Not allowed
6.	Currencies	Prices shall be quoted only in the currency indicated in the system:
		MDL (Moldovan Leu) for local suppliers and
		USD (US Dollars) for international suppliers
		For evaluation purposes, financial proposals shall be recalculated at UN Operational Rate of Exchange on the submission deadline: <a href="https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.php">https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.php</a>
		In case of contract award to a local company, payments will be made in Moldovan Leu based on UN Operational Rate of Exchange valid on the date of money transfer, as per the "payment terms and conditions" stipulated in this solicitation document: <a href="https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.php">https://treasury.un.org/operationalrates/OperationalRates.php</a> UNDP shall not be kept liable for any fluctuations of the exchange market during contract implementation, the Contractor being legally responsible to register any loss/gain of currency exchange resulting from payments against the Contract in accordance with the national legislation.
7.	Duties and taxes	All prices shall:
		Be exclusive of VAT and other applicable indirect taxes.
8.	Proposal validity period	90 days
9.	Proposal security	Not Required



Ref. Article in Section 2	Description	Specific Instructions / Requirements
10.	Alternative proposals	Shall not be considered.
11.	Pre-proposal conference	Will not be conducted
12.	Site inspection	A site inspection will not be held.
13.	Instructions for proposal submission	<ul> <li>Bidders must submit their proposal directly in the online system.</li> <li>File Format: PDF files only</li> <li>File names must be maximum 60 characters long and must not contain any letter or special character other than from Latin alphabet/keyboard.</li> <li>All files must be free of viruses and not corrupted.</li> <li>It is recommended that bidders organize and name the files according tothe requirements and structure of the bid to facilitate their review.</li> <li>The bidder should receive an email acknowledging email receipt from the system.</li> <li>The Financial Proposal (Forms J and K) shall be submitted directly in the system only in the "Commercial section" of the requirements. Noncompliance with this instruction may result in rejection of the proposal received.</li> </ul>
14.	Deadline for proposal submission	Deadline for proposal submission is indicated <b>in the portal</b> . In case of discrepancies between the deadline in the system and deadline indicated elsewhere, the one in the system prevails. It is the responsibility of the bidder to be informed on the tender deadline.
15.	Proposal Opening	Public proposal opening will <b>NOT</b> be held
16.	Evaluation of technical and financial proposals	Evaluation will be based on:  Combined scoring method using a distribution of 70%-30% Technical proposal - financial proposal  The maximum number of technical points is detailed in Section 4: Evaluation Criteria.  To be substantially compliant, Proposers must obtain a minimum threshold of 70% of maximum points from technical evaluation.
17.	Right to vary requirement at time of award	The maximum percentage by which quantities may be increased is 25 %  The maximum percentage by which quantities may be decreased is 25 %
18.	Contract award to one or more proposer	UNDP will award a contract to: One Bidder Only
19.	Type of contract to be awarded	Contract Face Sheet <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html">http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html</a> See Section 6: for sample contract.
20.	Expected date for commencement of contract	Estimative: 01 September 2025



Ref. Article in Section 2	Description	Specific Instructions / Requirements
21.	Conditions of contract to apply	UNDP General Terms and Conditions for contracts (goods and/or services) See Section 6.
22.	Performance Security	Not Required
23	Advance payment	Not Allowed
24.	Liquidated damages	Will be imposed as follows:  Percentage of contract price per day of delay: 0.33% up to a maximum of 10% of the Contract value, after which UNDP may terminate the contract.
25.	Other information related to the RFP – Documents to be submitted	<ul> <li>Please attach the following documents with your Bid:         <ul> <li>Company Profile, which should not exceed fifteen (15) pages, including list of relevant institutions the Company has been cooperating with, including the topic and year must be presented together with the application package.</li> <li>Certificate of Business Registration</li> <li>List of Shareholders and Other Entities Financially Interested in the Firm owning 5% or more of the stocks and other interests, or its equivalent if Bidder is not a corporation including the Certificate from State Register</li> <li>Official Letter of Appointment as local representative, if Bidder is submitting a Bid on behalf of an entity located outside the country</li> <li>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</li> <li>Latest Financial Statements (Income Statements and Balance Sheets) including Auditor's Reports (for international companies) or registered Financial Report at the Statistical Bureau (for local companies) for the past 3 (three) years for the Bidder (2022-2024)</li> <li>Statement of Satisfactory Performance from the Top three 3 Clients' statements confirming satisfactory performance by the Proposer, each JV partner/Subcontractor (if the case), on the contracts of highest value carried out, during the past 5 (five) years, by each intended participant</li> <li>A copy of preliminary Agreement in case of Consortium</li> <li>Detailed description of the Methodology approach, and Implementation Plan (sequence of actions) for the services required in the ToR, with clear distribution of roles and responsibilities of the proposed key personnel.</li> <li>Copies of contracts to prove that Offeror meets the similar experience requirement (stated</li></ul></li></ul>



Ref. Article in Section 2	Description	directly in the system in the "Technical section" of the requirements	
		Forms A-I, representing the Technical Proposal, shall be submitted directly in the system in the "Technical section" of the requirements  Forms J and K, representing the Financial Proposal shall be submitted directly in the system only in the "Commercial section" of the requirements. Please, ensure that no other documents are disclosing your financial proposal apart from Forms J and K. Non-compliance with this instruction may result in rejection of the proposal received	



#### **SECTION 4: EVALUATION CRITERIA**

#### **Preliminary Examination Criteria**

All criteria will be evaluated on a Pass/Fail basis and checked during Preliminary Examination.

Criteria	Documents to establish compliance		
Completeness of the Proposal	All documents requested in Section 2: Instruction		
	to Proposers have been provided and are		
	complete.		
Proposer accepts UNDP General Conditions of Contract as	Duly signed and stamped Form C: Technical		
specified in Section 6.	Proposal Submission has been provided.		
Proposal Validity	Duly signed and stamped Form C: Technical		
	Proposal Submission has been provided.		
Appropriate signatures	Proposal Forms have been duly signed and		
	stamped.		
Power of Attorney [if applicable]	Certified Letter of Appointment and/or power of		
	attorney authorizing the representative of the		
	Bidder to sign bids has been provided.		

#### **Minimum Eligibility and Qualification Criteria**

Minimum eligibility and qualification criteria will be evaluated on a Pass/Fail basis.

If the Proposal is submitted as a Joint Venture, Consortium or Association, each member should meet the minimum criteria, unless otherwise specified.

Eligibility Criteria	Documents to establish compliance
Legal Status: Proposer is a legally registered entity	Form D: Proposer Information
Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging: Proposer belongs to a	Form D: Proposer Information
diverse supplier group, including micro, small or medium	
sized enterprise, women or youth owned business or other	
civil society organization.	
Eligibility: Vendor is not suspended, nor otherwise	Form C: Technical Proposal Submission
identified as ineligible by any UN Organization, the World	
Bank Group or any other International Organisation in	
accordance with Section 2 Article 4.	
<b>Conflict of Interest:</b> No conflicts of interest in accordance	Form C: Technical Proposal Submission
with Section 2 Article 4.	
<b>Bankruptcy:</b> The Proposer has not declared bankruptcy, is	Form C: Technical Proposal Submission
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	

Qualification Criteria	Documents to establish compliance
History of non-performing contracts <sup>1</sup> : Non-performance	Form F: Eligibility and Qualification
of a contract did not occur as a result of contractor default	
within the last 3 years.	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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 Employer's 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.



	Resilient nations.
<b>Litigation History:</b> No consistent history of court/arbitral	Form F: Eligibility and Qualification
award decisions against the Proposer for the last 3 years.	
Previous Experience	
Have at least 5 (five) years of experience in conducting	Form F: Eligibility and Qualification
market studies, sectoral assessments, or consultancy in	
relevant areas such as energy, energy efficiency, or MSME	
development	
(For JV/Consortium/Association, TEAM Lead company	
should meet requirement).	
At least 3 (three) completed projects within the last 5 (five)	Form F: Eligibility and Qualification
years related to energy efficiency, renewable energy, or	
MSME support, preferably in Moldova or Eastern	
European countries, such as feasibility studies for EE/RE,	
analysis of financial or regulatory barriers, or evaluations	
of financing programs or similar.	
(For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively	
should meet requirement).	
Minimum Key Personnel	
The Key personnel mandatory for the implementation of	Duly signed CVs and Statements of Exclusivity and
the contract:	Availability, including any other supporting
Team Leader / Technical Specialist	documents, attached to Form H: Format for CV of
Finance and Support Mechanisms	proposed Key Personnel
Policy and Regulatory Specialist	
Please note: The above listed roles can be cumulated by	
certain team members, but not more than two roles per	
team member, clarifying in the Methodology the reasoning	
for such approach and distribution of tasks.	
(For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively	
should meet requirement).	
Financial Standing	
Turnover: Minimum average turnover of USD 75,000 for	Copy of audited financial statements for the last 3
the last 3 (three) years.	(three) years.
the last 5 (three) years.	, , ,
/ /- /- /- /- /- /- /- /- /- /- /-	Form F: Eligibility and Qualification
(For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively	, .
should meet requirement).	
Liquidity: The Ratio Average current assets / Current	Copy of audited financial statements for the last 3
liabilities over the last 3 (three) years must be equal or	(three) years.
greater than 1. Proposers must include in their Proposal	
audited balance sheets cover the last 3 (three) years.	Form F: Eligibility and Qualification
If QR is less than 1: UNDP shall verify financial capacity of	
the bidder and has the authority to seek references from	
concerned parties & banks on the bidder' financial	
standing. UNDP has the right to reject any bid if submitted	
by a contractor whom investigation leads to a result that	
he is not financially capable and/or had serious financial	
problems.	
(For JV/Consortium/Association, all Parties cumulatively	
should meet requirement).	
should meet requirement).	



#### **Technical Evaluation Criteria**

Summ	ary of technical proposal evaluation sections	Points obtainable
1	Proposer's qualification, capacity and experience	250
2	Proposed methodology, approach and implementation plan	400
3	Management structure and key personnel	350
	Total	1000

Sectio	n 1. Proposer's qualification, capacity and experience	Points
1.1	Reputation of organisation and staff credibility / reliability / industry standing.	obtainable
1.1	Organization / Company profile:	
	The company is a well-known market player with a good standing – 20 pts	20
	The company is well-known but lacks a good standing in the field – 10 pts	
1.2	General organisational capability which is likely to affect implementation:	
	management structure, financial stability and project financing capacity, project	
	management controls, extent to which any work would be subcontracted.	
	Age of the legal entity (5 years – 15 pts, 2.5 pts for each additional year, up	40
	to 20 pts)	
	<ul> <li>Project management support mechanism (no – 0 pts, yes -10 pts.)</li> <li>Project management controls (up to 10 pts.)</li> </ul>	
1.3	Relevance of specialised knowledge and experience on similar engagements done in	
1.5	the region / country:	
	Have at least 5 (five) years in conducting market studies, sectoral	
	assessments, or consultancy in relevant areas such as energy, energy	
	efficiency or MSME development (5 years – 30 pts, 2 pts for each additional	
	year, up to 40 pts);	
	At least 3 (three) completed projects within the last 5 (five) years related to	
	energy efficiency, renewable energy, or MSME support, preferably in	
	Moldova or Eastern European countries. Examples include feasibility	
	studies for EE/RE, analysis of financial or regulatory barriers, or evaluations	
	of financing programs (3 contracts – 20 points, 5 points for each additional	140
	<ul><li>contract, up to 40 points);</li><li>International expertise brought into projects of similar nature executed on</li></ul>	140
	the territory of the Republic of Moldova will be an advantage (1 project –	
	10 points, 5 points for each additional contract, up to 20 points);	
	Proved experience of necessary European Union legislation and standards	
	which will be taken into account in the development of the market	
	study (no experience – 0 pts, one assignment/project – 10 pts., 5 points for	
	each additional assignment/project, up to 20 points);	
	Previous proven experience of working with UNDP and other international	
	development partners and capacity to properly manage a	
	contract/subcontract under a donor funded effort is an advantage) (no	
1 /	experience – 0 pts, with experience – 20 pts)	
1.4	<ul> <li>Quality assurance procedures and risk mitigation measures</li> <li>Quality assurance framework and policies in place, supported by recognized</li> </ul>	
	certifications or accreditations (Comprehensive quality assurance	
	framework and policies in place up to- 10 pts, Limited or no evidence of	
	quality assurance procedures or certifications – 0 pts)	20
	Risk management approach tailored to project lifecycle in place (Robust risk)	
	management approach with clearly defined methodologies and tools up to-	
	10 pts, Limited or no evidence of risk management strategies or tools – 0	
	pts).	



1.5	<ul> <li>Organisation Commitment to Sustainability</li> <li>Organisation is compliant with ISO 14001 or ISO 14064 or equivalent – 10 points</li> <li>Organisation is a member of the UN Global Compact – 5 points</li> <li>Organisation demonstrates significant commitment to sustainability through some other means (for example internal company policy documents on women empowerment, climate change, renewable energies or membership of trade institutions promoting such issues) – 15 points</li> </ul>	30
Total	Section 1	250

Section	2. Proposed methodology approach and implementation plan	Points
		obtainable
2.1	<ul> <li>To what degree does the Proposer understand the task?</li> <li>The Proposer has full understanding of the assignment. The presented conceptual framework is appropriate for the assignment, all important aspects being fully described, and requirements addressed – 61 to 90 pts</li> <li>The Proposer has good but not comprehensive understanding of the assignment. The framework covers key components, but some aspects could be further elaborated or clarified – 41 to 60 pts</li> <li>The Proposer has basic or partial understanding of the assignment. The conceptual framework addresses some of the requirements but lacks depth or contains inconsistencies – 26 to 40 pts</li> <li>The Proposer has limited understanding of the assignment. The presented conceptual framework requires major adjustments to address all the aspects and requirements of the assignment – 0 to 25 pts</li> </ul>	90
2.2	<ul> <li>Is the proposed technical offer or/and methodology and tools appropriate for the task?</li> <li>The proposed approach fully meets the ToR and adds value beyond the minimum scope with well-justified, context-aware and innovative activities – 91 to 110 pts pts</li> <li>The proposed approach and methodology fully meet the ToR requirements – 61 to 90 pts</li> <li>The proposed approach and methodology are closely interlinked with ToR, but require some adjustments to properly address all the tasks – 26 to 60 pts</li> <li>The proposed approach and methodology only partially meet the ToR requirements, requiring major adjustments to adequately address the tasks – 0 to 25 pts</li> </ul>	110
2.3	Does the proposal introduce innovative, efficient or added-value elements that enhance the assignment?  • Highly innovative, context-specific, and adds significant value – 41–60 pts  • Some innovative or added-value components are included – 11–40 pts  • Limited innovation or generic value-add – 1–10 pts  • No added value or innovation demonstrated – 0 pts	60
2.4	<ul> <li>How well-structured and feasible is the implementation plan?</li> <li>The Implementation Plan is comprehensive, logically structured, and presents a clear, detailed sequence of activities with a sound methodology that requires no further clarification – 61 to 90 pts</li> <li>The Implementation Plan is generally well-organized and includes a logical sequence of activities, but lacks some detail or requires minor clarifications – 26 to 60 pts</li> <li>The description is not well structured and requires major clarifications – 0 to 25 pts</li> </ul>	90



Tot	ction 2	400
	<ul> <li>Limited or lack of any such details – 0 to 10 pts</li> </ul>	
	To some extent – 11 to 35 pts	
	<ul> <li>Extensive and logical distribution – 36 to 50 pts</li> </ul>	50
	including distribution per person-days' involvement?	
2.5	Does the proposal demonstrate good and logical distribution of roles in the team,	

Section 3. Management Structure and Key Personnel		Points obtainable
3.1 Team Leader / Technical Specialist		
University degree in Energy Engineering, Economics, Environmental Policy and other related fields (Bachelor's Degree- 5 pts, Master's - 10 pts)	/or 10	
Minimum 7 years in consulting in the energy or MSMEs sectors (7 years – 20 each additional year – 2.5 pts, up to 30 pts)	pts, 30	
Demonstrated experience and ability collaborating with public authorities and international organizations (less than 3 assignments – 0 pts, 3 assignments – pts, each additional assignment – 2.5 pts, up to 30 pts)		
Minimum 2 previous assignments related to development of feasibility stude economic modeling and investment planning projects, including working with MSMEs or the private sector (2 assignments – 20 pts, more than 2 assignments – 25 pts)	vith	150
Experience in presenting findings and communicating results, supported deliverables such as published reports, conference presentations, stakehol briefing materials, or training sessions (no experience – 0 pts, 1 project – 10 each additional project 5 pts, up to 20 pts)	der	
Advanced analysis (e.g. SWOT, PESTLE), report writing, workshop facilitation experience – 0 pts, each proven assignment – 5 pts, up to 20 pts)	(no 20	
Proficiency in Romanian, Russian and English languages (Each language 5 pts to max of 15 pts.)	up 15	
.2 Finance and Support Mechanisms Specialist		
University degree in degree in Economics, Finance, Business Administration related fields (Bachelor's Degree- 5 pts, Master's - 10 pts)	, or 10	
Minimum 5 years in finance mechanism analysis, EE/RES or MSMEs (5 years - pts, each additional year – 5 pts, up to 45 pts)	- 35   45	
Minimum 2 previous assignments pertinent to development of feasibility studies economic modelling and investment planning projects. (2 assignments – 20 each additional assignment – 5 pts, up to 30 pts)	<b>I</b>	120
Experience in presenting findings and communicating results, supported deliverables such as published reports, conference presentations, stakehol briefing materials, or training sessions (no experience – 0 pts, up to 3 project 15 pts, more than 3 project – 20 pts)	der	
Proficiency in Romanian, Russian and English languages (Each language 5 pts to max of 15 pts.)	up 15	
.3 Policy and Regulatory Specialist	•	
University degree (bachelor's or master's degree) in law or public poli (Bachelor's Degree- 5 pts, Master's - 10 pts pts)		
Minimum 5 years in legal consultancy or policy development (5 years – 25 each additional year – 5 pts, up to 35 pts)		80
Minimum 2 previous assignments on drafting legal amendments or policy br (2 assignments – 15 pts, more than 2 assignments – 20 pts)	iefs 20	



Proficiency in Romanian, Russian and English languages (Each language 5 pts, up to max of 15 pts.)	15		
		350	



#### **SECTION 5: TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### A. Project Description

The Republic of Moldova is undergoing significant energy sector reforms to enhance energy security, reduce its near-total dependence on imported fossil fuels, and align with European Union (EU) energy standards. As a country heavily reliant on energy imports, Moldova faces persistent challenges in ensuring affordable and sustainable energy access, particularly in the context of recent energy crises exacerbated by regional geopolitical tensions. The National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP) 2025-2030 sets an ambitious target of achieving 27% renewable energy usage by 2030, alongside substantial improvements in energy efficiency across all sectors. Micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs), which account for approximately 98% of businesses in Moldova and contribute over 60% to GDP and 70% to employment, are critical to achieving these goals. However, MSMEs face significant barriers to adopting energy efficiency and renewable energy measures, including high upfront costs, limited access to financing, lack of technical expertise, and complex regulatory frameworks.

The Moldovan Government, through the Ministry of Energy and the National Centre for Sustainable Energy, has introduced several initiatives to support energy efficiency and renewable energy adoption, such as the Residential Energy Efficiency Fund, tax incentives, and pilot projects for renewable energy technologies. These programs are often supported by international development partners and Commercial banks in Moldova, which have also introduced green loan products and leasing schemes to support MSMEs, though uptake remains low due to limited awareness and high interest rates.

Despite these efforts, MSMEs face unique challenges in integrating energy-efficient technologies (e.g., LED lighting, energy-efficient machinery) and renewable energy solutions (e.g., solar panels, heat pumps) into their operations. Rural MSMEs, women-led businesses, and micro-enterprises are particularly disadvantaged due to limited resources and access to information. Moreover, the lack of tailored financial instruments, such as subsidized loans or energy performance contracts, hinders the scalability of sustainable energy practices. The absence of comprehensive market data on MSMEs energy needs and opportunities further complicates the design of effective support programs.

To address these gaps, UNDP Moldova seeks to conduct a market study to identify and introduce instruments that facilitate the uptake of energy efficiency and renewable energy measures by MSMEs. The study will assess existing support programs, including national funds, international development projects, and commercial financing, and propose innovative solutions to overcome barriers. It will also draw on international best practices from European countries to ensure Moldova's approach is aligned with global standards. The study will involve extensive stakeholder consultations with MSMEs, government agencies, financial institutions, and development partners to ensure inclusivity and relevance. By developing targeted knowledge products and actionable recommendations, the study aims to strengthen Moldova's energy transition and support the economic resilience of its MSMEs sector.

#### A. SCOPE OF WORK & EXPECTED OUTPUTS

In support of Moldova's green transition and in line with the National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP) 2025–2030, UNDP Moldova is commissioning a market study to identify actionable instruments that will enable micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) to adopt energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy source (RES) measures. The study will help address existing financial, regulatory, and technical barriers faced by MSMEs and recommend solutions tailored to Moldova's economic and policy context. It will also draw on international best practices and incorporate feedback from key stakeholders to ensure relevance and impact.

Under the supervision of the UNDP Moldova Project Manager and in collaboration with the project team, the contractor will undertake the following tasks:

#### 1. Oversee Market Assessments:

- Conduct a comprehensive market assessment to identify barriers and opportunities for MSMEs in adopting energy efficiency and renewable energy measures (e.g., energy-efficient equipment, solar panels, heat pumps).
- Analyze existing support programs for MSMEs (including programs and projects being implemented during last 4 years), including national funds, development partner programs, and commercial bank financing (e.g., green loans, leasing schemes).
- Evaluate the technical, financial, and regulatory barriers faced by MSMEs, such as high upfront costs, limited technical expertise, and complex permitting processes.



 Identify opportunities for new instruments, such as subsidies, tax incentives, energy performance contracts, soft loans or public-private partnerships, to enhance MSMEs uptake of sustainable energy solutions.

#### 2. Facilitate Stakeholder Consultations:

- Organize and facilitate at least one consultative workshop with MSMEs, government representatives, financial institutions, and development partners to validate findings and gather qualitative insights.
- Engage diverse MSMEs categories (e.g., micro-enterprises, women-led businesses, rural enterprises, business associations, chamber of commerce etc.) to ensure inclusivity.
- Develop informational materials to raise awareness among MSMEs about energy efficiency and renewable energy opportunities.

#### 3. Develop Knowledge Products:

- Produce a knowledge product summarizing lessons learned from existing energy efficiency and renewable energy initiatives for MSMEs in Moldova or comparable contexts.
- Create at least one case study or best practice guide highlighting successful MSMEs energy projects, with actionable recommendations for scaling up.

#### 4. Incorporate International Best Practices:

- Draw on experiences from countries with similar economic and social context (e.g. high dependency on imported fuel and electricity) with successful MSMEs energy programs.
- Adapt these practices to Moldova's economic and regulatory context to inform the study's recommendations.
- 5. Propose policy recommendations to enhance MSMEs access to sustainable energy solutions, aligned with Moldova's NECP 2025-2030 and EU directives.

Minimum requirements for the structure of the "Market study on introducing additional instruments on the market for higher uptake of EE&RES measures by MSMEs in Moldova"

#### 1. Executive Summary

- Overview of the study's objectives, key findings, and recommendations.
- Highlights the role of MSMEs for the energy sector (where applicable, the share of energy consumption by the private sector from the total national consumption will be indicated, including a breakdown by enterprise categories (large, medium, small, and micro-enterprises).
- Summary of barriers (e.g., high costs, regulatory complexity) and proposed solutions (e.g., subsidies, streamlined permitting).

#### 2. Introduction

- Context: Moldova's energy challenges (high import dependency, crisis impact) national objectives in accordance with the policy documents currently in force.
- Study purpose: Identify instruments to facilitate MSME adoption of energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy (RE) measures.
- Scope: Focus on barriers, opportunities, financing mechanisms, and stakeholder engagement.

#### 3. Methodology

- Data collection: list of surveys, interviews, workshops / number of participants, the number of participants, including gender-disaggregated data.
- Analytical frameworks: SWOT, PESTLE, cost-benefit analysis.
- Stakeholder engagement: Consultations with national responsible entities, banking and non-banking/private financial institutions, and MSMEs.

#### 4. Market Assessment

- Existing Financing Support Programs (national funds, development partners, banking and non-banking/private financial institutions)
- Barriers
- Opportunities

#### 5. Stakeholder Insights



- 6. <u>Lessons Learned and Best Practices (describing at least two international experiences from countries with similar economic and social context)</u>
- 7. Policy Recommendations:
  - At least 3 options for financial mechanisms
  - Analysis of policy measures needed to implement these mechanisms
  - Summary of non-financial barriers (lack of knowledge, lack of capacity within MSMEs)
  - Proposed solutions how to overcome the identified non-financial barriers
- 8. Conceptualize, organize, and conduct in close coordination with the UNDP Project Team a stakeholder workshop to present the Market Study Report. The workshop shall be conducted offline and will gather key stakeholders (e.g., MSMEs, relevant government institutions, financial sector representatives). The session will include a structured presentation of key findings, policy and legal recommendations, financial mechanisms, and capacity-building interventions for MSMEs, followed by facilitated discussions. A concise workshop report summarizing key outcomes, feedback from participants, and follow-up considerations shall be submitted after the event. All related organizational and logistical costs, including venue rental, broadcasting setup, coffeebreaks, workshop materials, and any other expenses, shall be fully borne by the Contractor.

#### 9. Conclusion

- Synthesis of findings: Actionable strategies to enhance MSME adoption of EE/RE measures.
- Call to action: Coordinated efforts among government, MSMEs, and partners to support Moldova's just green transition

#### 10. Annexes

- Survey data tables.
- Workshop reports, presentations and list of participants.

#### NOTE:

Bidders may propose their own indicative structure of the Report, as described in the technical offer.

The deliverables should be submitted in English, expect the final presentation of the report (Deliverable 5) that should be both in Romanian and English.

#### **B. KEY DELIVERABLES**

Deliverables	Tentative timeframe
Deliverable 1. Inception Report and Work Plan	30 September 2025
A comprehensive document outlining the methodology, approach, and timeline for the market study. It includes objectives, data collection methods (e.g., surveys, interviews), stakeholder mapping, risk assessment, and a detailed work plan for the 7-month study duration.	
Deliverable 2. Preliminary Market Study Report	10 December 2025
An interim report presenting initial findings from desk research, surveys (e.g., 50+ MSMEs, other representative institutions e.g. business associations, chambers of commerce, etc.), and stakeholder interviews. It identifies key barriers (e.g., financial, technical, regulatory) and opportunities for MSME adoption of energy efficiency and renewable energy measures, providing a basis for further analysis and stakeholder consultations.	
Deliverable 3. Summary of the proposals received during the stakeholders' consultations	31 January 2026
A concise compilation of inputs, feedback, and proposals collected during stakeholder consultations with MSMEs, public institutions, financial organizations, and sectoral experts. The summary reflects key recommendations, priorities, and practical suggestions aimed at enhancing MSMEs' access to and uptake of energy	



efficiency and renewable energy solutions.	
Deliverable 4. Final Market Study Report	10 March 2026
A comprehensive report synthesizing all findings, including an in-depth analysis of barriers, opportunities, and financing mechanisms for MSMEs adoption of energy efficiency and renewable energy measures. It includes actionable recommendations (e.g., policy reforms, financing models), best practices (e.g., EU models), and stakeholder insights, aligned with Moldova's energy goals.	
Deliverable 5. Delivery and presentation of the Market Study Report during a stakeholder workshop, including key findings, recommendations, and facilitation of discussion on proposed interventions.	20 March 2026
The final market study report is presented at an offline stakeholder workshop (e.g., MSMEs, government, banks). The session includes key findings, recommendations, and facilitated discussions on proposed interventions (e.g., subsidies, regulatory simplification).	

**Note**: The indicated tentative timeframe has been estimated as being sufficient/feasible for the envisaged volume of work to be completed successfully and is proposed as a guideline for the duration of the assignment. The provision of the envisaged deliverables approved by UDNP shall be the only criteria for Contractor's work being completed and eligible for payment/s.

#### C. REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS & INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Company will work under the guidance of and in close cooperation with the UNDP Project for both substantive and administrative aspects of the assignment. Deliverables shall be approved by the UNDP Project Manager.

The Contractor shall follow the agreed time schedule and be accountable for the delivery of quality outputs to the Project Manager, who will approve contractor's deliverables.

All documentation related to deliverables shall be provided by the Service Provider in one (1) electronic copy using the standard software products (Microsoft Office Word, Excel, SPSS/STRATA, Access, and PowerPoint).

Before submission of final deliverables, the Service Provider will discuss the draft documents with the parties involved, so that the final products reflect their comments.

#### D. DURATION OF THE WORK

The estimated duration of services is a maximum of 7 (seven) months. The expected time of commencement of contract is September 2025.

The Company shall commence work not later than one week from the date of the notice to proceed. The Contractor must deploy necessary manpower, logistics and all other necessary items to complete the assignment within the stipulated time.

Since there will be several parties involved in the project whose views and interests are to be considered and reflected in the study, the schedule must allow for sufficient time for the discussion and approval of the various reports. UNDP will require a maximum of 14 (fourteen) days (depending on the implementation stage) to review the deliverables, provide comments, approve, or certify acceptance of deliverables.

All reports shall be submitted as Draft and will receive comments from the Client. Where not defined otherwise, the Contractor is obliged to present the final version of any report not later than 2 weeks after receiving the Client's comments to the respective draft of the document.



#### E. COMPANY QUALIFICATIONS AND RESOURCING REQUIREMENTS

The bidder shall provide sound argumentation of the proposal by demonstrating compliance with the ToR and the environment in which it will provide the services. The bidder shall include information on the volume of allocated resources to carry out the assignment.

A breakdown per working days allocated for each deliverable shall be submitted, clearly explaining the role of the team members involved in producing the deliverable. In this context, the Service Provider shall ensure a clear presentation of distribution of tasks and allocation of working days deemed necessary for engagement of Key and other staff.

The proposed team should consist of but not be limited to the following members:

- Team Leader / Technical Specialist
- Finance and Support Mechanisms Specialist
- Policy and Regulatory Specialist

Bidders should enclose a résumé for each person anticipated to be assigned to the project and should include specific information on the experience and roles.

Bidders agree that the Key staff included into the bid will participate in the project at the level and duration specified unless agreement is provided in writing by the UNDP Project Team to allow substitutions. Descriptions of subcontractor Key staff members, if applicable, should follow the format utilized for the Bidder organization.

The résumés submitted for the Key project personnel should be detailed and comprehensive. Specifically, résumés should include:

- Anticipated role and level of participation in the project;
- Previous experience relevant to the assigned role in the project;
- Education, training and certification details;
- Contact information (name, title, organization, mailing address, phone, and email) of a minimum of three business references;
- Linguistic skills.

Bidders should describe, in detail, their previous corporate experience in similar assignments, if any. This section should include the corporate experience as well as the role of any subcontracted organization(s) indicated in the Bidder's proposal. Descriptions of subcontractor's staff members, if applicable, should follow the format utilized for the Bidder organization.

During the assignment, the Service Provider's team of experts should prove commitment to the core values of the United Nations, in particular, respecting differences of culture, gender, religion, ethnicity, nationality, language, age, HIV status, disability, and sexual orientation, or other status.

Bidders agree that experts will provide high quality outputs and expertise and participate in the project at the level and duration specified. Should any changes be necessary in this regard, a formal request for the agreement of the UNDP Project team to allow substitutions, shall be submitted.

UNDP may at any time request the withdrawal or replacement of any of the Service Provider personnel should non-performance happen. Replacement will be at the Service Provider expense.

#### **Required qualifications of the Service Provider**

The company should fulfill the following criteria:

- Be legally registered entity or a consortium of companies/organizations (NGOs);
- Minimum of 5 years of activity in conducting market studies, sectoral assessments, or consultancy in relevant areas such as energy, energy efficiency, or MSME development;
- At least 3 completed projects within the last 5 years related to energy efficiency, renewable energy, or MSME support, preferably in Moldova or Eastern European countries. Examples include feasibility studies for EE/RE, analysis of financial or regulatory barriers, or evaluations of financing programs.



Criteria for the evaluation of the management structure and key personnel:

#### Team Leader / Technical Specialist (at least 1 (one))

#### Academic Qualifications:

University degree in Energy Engineering, Economics, Environmental Policy and/or other related fields;

#### Years and sphere of experience:

- Minimum 7 years in consulting in the energy or MSMEs sectors;
- Minimum 2 previous assignments related to development of feasibility studies, economic modeling and investment planning projects, including working with MSMEs or the private sector;
- Demonstrated experience and ability collaborating with public authorities and/or international organizations;
- Experience in presenting findings and communicating results, supported by deliverables such as published reports, conference presentations, stakeholder briefing materials, or training sessions;
- Advanced analysis (e.g. SWOT, PESTLE), report writing, workshop facilitation;
- Experience with UNDP or international donors is an asset;
- Proficiency in Romanian, English, and Russian.

#### Finance and Support Mechanisms Specialist (at least 1 (one))

#### Academic Qualifications:

University degree in degree in Economics, Finance, Business Administration, or related fields;

#### Years and sphere of experience:

- Minimum 5 years in finance mechanism analysis, EE/RES or MSMEs;
- Minimum 2 previous assignments pertinent to development of feasibility studies, economic modelling and investment planning projects;
- Experience in presenting findings and communicating results, supported by deliverables such as published reports, conference presentations, stakeholder briefing materials, or training sessions;
- Proficient in Romanian, Russian, and English.

#### Policy and Regulatory Specialist (at least 1 (one))

#### **Academic Qualifications:**

• University degree (bachelor's or master's degree) in law or public policies;

#### Years and sphere of experience:

- Minimum 5 years in legal consultancy or policy development, including at least 2 projects related to the energy or MSMEs sectors;
- Minimum 2 previous assignments on drafting legal amendments or policy briefs;
- Proficient in Romanian, Russian, and English.

#### **G. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

The payments to the Company shall be made upon approval and acceptance of the deliverables by the UNDP project team.



#### **SECTION 6: CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT AND CONTRACT FORMS**

**6.1** The types of Contract to be signed and the applicable UNDP Contract General Terms and Conditions, as specified in Data Sheet, can be accessed at <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html">http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html</a>

#### **6.2 Special Conditions of Contract**

N/A

#### 6.3 Contract Form

In the event of an award, the following sample Contract will be used: Contract for Goods and/or Services to UNDP.

The conditions are available at: <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html">http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/procurement/business/how-we-buy.html</a>



#### **SECTION 7: PROPOSAL FORMS**

Form A: Proposal Confirmation

Form B: Checklist

Form C: Technical Proposal Submission

Form D: Proposer Information

Form E: Joint Venture/Consortium/Association Information

Form F: Eligibility and Qualification

Form G: Format for Technical Proposal

Form H: Format for CV of proposed key personnel

Form I: Statement of Exclusivity and Availability

**Form J: Financial Proposal Submission** [Form J is part of the Financial Proposal and shall be submitted directly in the system only in the "Commercial section" of the requirements. Please, ensure that no other documents are disclosing your financial proposal apart from Forms J and K. Non-compliance with this instruction may result in rejection of the proposal received.]

**Form K: Format for Financial Proposal** [Forms K is part of the Financial Proposal and shall be submitted directly in the system only in the "Commercial section" of the requirements. Please, ensure that no other documents are disclosing your financial proposal apart from Forms J and K. Non-compliance with this instruction may result in rejection of the proposal received.]



#### **FORM A: PROPOSAL CONFIRMATION**

Please acknowledge receipt of this RFP, log in to the online portal and subscribe to this tender following the instructions in the system user guide. Please complete this form and attach as requested in the system.

To: Insert name of contact person Email: Insert contact person's email - do not enter

secure proposal email address

From: Insert name of proposer

Subject RFP reference

Check the appropriate box	Description	
	YES, we intend to submit a proposal.	
	<b>NO</b> . We are unable to submit a competitive proposal for the requested services at the moment	

If you selected NO above, please state the reason(s) below:

Check applicable	Description	
	The requested services are not within our range of supply	
	We are unable to submit a competitive proposal for the requested services at the moment	
	The requested services are not available at the moment	
	We cannot meet the requested terms of reference	
	The information provided for proposal purposes is insufficient	
	Your RFP is too complicated	
	Insufficient time is allowed to prepare a proposal	
	We cannot meet the delivery requirements	
П	We cannot adhere to your terms and conditions e.g. payment terms, request for	
<u> </u>	performance security, etc Please provide details below.	
	Sustainability criteria/requirements are too stringent (if applicable)	
	We do not export	
	We do not sell to the UN	
	Your requirement is too small	
	Our capacity is currently full	
	We are closed during the holiday season	
	We had to give priority to other clients' requests	
	The person handling proposals is away from the office	
	Other (please provide reasons below):	
Further information: Click or tap here to enter text.		
	We would like to receive future RFPs for this type of services	
	We don't want to receive RFPs for this type of services	

Questions to the Supplier concerning the reasons for no proposal should be addressed to Click or tap here to enter text. phone Click or tap here to enter number., email Click or tap here to enter text..



#### **FORM B: CHECKLIST**

This form serves as a checklist for preparation of your Proposal. Please complete the returnable Proposal Forms in accordance with the instructions and return them as part of your Proposal submission: No alteration to the format of forms shall be permitted and no substitution shall be accepted.

Before submitting your Proposal, please ensure compliance with the instructions in Section 2: Instructions to Proposers and Section 3: Data Sheet.

#### **Technical Proposal:**

Have you duly completed all the Returnable Proposal Forms?	
<ul><li>Form C: Technical Proposal Submission</li></ul>	
Form D: Proposer information	
<ul> <li>Form E: Joint Venture/Consortium/Association Information</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>Form F: Eligibility and Qualification</li></ul>	
Form G: Technical Proposal	
Form H: CVs of proposed key personnel	
Form I: Statements of exclusivity and availability for key personnel	
Have you provided the required documents to establish compliance with the evaluation criteria in Section 4?	
Have you provided the required documents in support of Form D: Proposer Information?	
Financial Proposal:	
<ul><li>Form J: Financial Proposal Submission</li></ul>	
Form K: Financial Proposal	

Forms J and K, representing the Financial Proposal shall be submitted directly in the system only in the "Commercial section" of the requirements. Please, ensure that no other documents are disclosing your financial proposal apart from Forms J and K. Non-compliance with this instruction may result in rejection of the proposal received.



#### FORM C: TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Name of Proposer:	Click or tap here to enter text.	Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.
RFP reference:			

We, the undersigned, offer to supply the services required for Click or tap here to enter text.in accordance with your Request for Proposals No. Click or tap here to enter text.. We hereby submit our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal and our Financial Proposal uploaded separately under the commercial section in the system as instructed.

**Proposer Declaration:** on behalf of our firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries and employees, including any JV / Consortium / Association members or subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract.

Yes	No	
		Requirements and Terms and Conditions: I/We have read and fully understand the RFP, including the RFP Information and Data Sheet, Terms of Reference, the General Conditions of Contract and any Special Conditions of Contract. I/we confirm that the proposer agrees to be bound by them.
		I/We confirm that the proposer has the necessary capacity, capability and necessary licenses to fully meet or exceed the requirements and will be available to deliver throughout the relevant contract period.
		<b>Ethics</b> : In submitting this proposal I/we warrant that the proposer: has not entered into any improper, illegal, collusive or anti-competitive arrangements with any competitor; has not directly or indirectly approached any representative of the buyer (other than the point of contact) to lobby or solicit information in relation to the RFP; has not attempted to influence, or provide any form of personal inducement, reward or benefit to any representative of the buyer.
		I/We confirm to undertake not to engage in proscribed practices, 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 have read the United Nations Supplier Code of Conduct: <a href="https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/about-us/un-supplier-code-conduct">https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/about-us/un-supplier-code-conduct</a> and acknowledge that it provides the minimum standards expected of suppliers to the UN.
		Conflict of interest: I/We warrant that the proposer has no actual, potential or perceived conflict of Interest in submitting this proposal or entering into a contract to deliver the requirements. Where a conflict of interest arises during the RFP process the proposer will report it immediately to the Procuring Organisation's Point of Contact.
		<b>Prohibitions and Sanctions:</b> I/We hereby declare that our firm, ultimate beneficial owners, affiliates or subsidiaries or employees, including any JV/Consortium members or subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract 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 and 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.
		I/We 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 <a href="ST/SGB/2006/15">ST/SGB/2006/15</a> );
		<b>Bankruptcy</b> : I/We have not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against us that could impair our operations in the foreseeable future.
		<b>Proposal Validity Period:</b> I/We confirm that this Proposal, including the price, remains open for acceptance for the proposal validity period.
		I/We understand and recognize that you are not bound to accept any proposal you receive.
		By signing this declaration, the signatory below represents, warrants and agrees that he/she has been authorised by the Organisation/s to make this declaration on its/their behalf



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



# FORM D: PROPOSER INFORMATION

RFP Reference		
Legal name of Proposer	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Legal Address, City, Country	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Website	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Year of registration	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Proposer's Authorized Representative information	Name and Title: Click or tap here to enter text.  Telephone numbers: Click or tap here to enter text.  Email: Click or tap here to enter text.	
Legal structure	Choose an item.	
No. of full-time employees	Click or tap here to enter number.	
No. of staff involved in similar contracts	Click or tap here to enter number.	
Are you a UNGM registered vendor?	☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, insert UNGM Vendor Number	
Years of supplying to UN organisations	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Are you a Click or tap here to enter text.vendor?	☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, insert Vendor Number	
Countries of operation	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Subsidiaries in the region (please indicate names of subsidiaries and addresses, if relevant to the proposal)	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Commercial Representatives in the country: Name/Address/Phone (for international companies only)	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Quality Assurance Certification (e.g. ISO 9000 or Equivalent) (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Does your Company have a corporate environmental policy or environmental management system/accreditation such as ISO 14001 or ISO 14064 or equivalent? (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	Tick all that apply and provide supporting documentation:  Corporate Environmental Policy  ISO 14001  ISO 14064  Other, specify Click or tap here to enter text.	
Does your organization demonstrate significant commitment to sustainability, including the following aspects that have	Attach a formal statement that outlines your organisation's commitment to sustainability, where possible providing evidence of tangible results that demonstrate progress such as:  Tick all that are attached:	



been identified in the UN Sustainable Procurement Framework?		☐ Formal statement		
PIO		☐ Sustainability report		
<ul> <li>Environmental: prevention of pollution, sustainable resources; climate change and mitigation and the protection of the environment, biodiversity.</li> </ul>		☐ UN Global Compact Communication on Progress		
		☐ Other, specify Click or tap here to enter text.		
•	Social: human rights and labour issues, gender equality, sustainable consumption, and social health and wellbeing.			
•	Economic: whole life cycle costing, local communities and small or medium enterprises, and supply chain sustainability.			
Does your company belong to a diverse supplier group including micro, small or medium sized enterprise, women or youth owned business or other?		Click or tap here to enter text.		
	es, please provide details and umentation]			
ls y	our company a member of the UN	Choose an item.		
Glo	bal Compact?	If yes, please provide link to Global Compact profile:		
		Click or tap here to enter text.		
Ban	k Information	Bank Name: Click or tap here to enter text.		
		Bank Address: Click or tap here to enter text.		
		IBAN: Click or tap here to enter text.		
		SWIFT/BIC: Click or tap here to enter text.		
		Account Currency: Click or tap here to enter text.		
		Bank Account Number: Click or tap here to enter text.		
Con	tact person that Click or tap here to	Name and Title: Click or tap here to enter text.		
ent	er text. may contact for requests for	Telephone numbers: Click or tap here to enter text.		
clarifications during Proposal evaluation		Email: Click or tap here to enter text.		



# FORM E: JOINT VENTURE/CONSORTIUM/ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

Name of Proposer: Click or tap here to enter text.			Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.			
RFP re	eference:						
	ompleted and ree/Consortium/A	eturned with your Prossociation.	oposal if the Pr	oposal is s	ubmitte	ed as a Jo	pint
No		er and contact infor				_	on of responsibilities (in %) rvices to be performed
1	Click or tap her	re to enter text.		Click	k or tap	here to	enter text.
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3	Click or tap her	re to enter text.		Click	k or tap	here to	enter text.
(with Conso proce award	ss and, in the ev ded, during cont	d the JV, ion during the RFP vent a Contract is ract execution)	Click or tap l				
legal st □ Letto We her	ructure of and t er of intent to fo reby confirm tha	he confirmation of joor majoint venture	OR Usarded, all par	able liabilit V/Consorti	ty of the ium/Ass Joint V	e memb sociation enture/	tner, which details the likely ers of the said joint venture:  n agreement  Consortium/Association shall ne provisions of the Contract.
Name	of partner:		_	Name of p	artner:		
Signat	ture:			Signature:			
Date:				Date:			
Name	of partner:		_	Name of p	artner:		
Signat	ture:			Signature:			
Date:				Date:			



#### FORM F: ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATION

Name of Proposer:	Click or tap here to enter text.	Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.
RFP reference:			

#### If JV/Consortium/Association, to be completed by each partner.

## **History of Non- Performing Contracts**

□No non-p	□No non-performing contracts during the last 3 years							
☐ Contract	☐ Contract(s) not performed in 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 litigat	ion history for the last	3 years	
☐ Litigation	History as indicated b	elow	
Year of	Amount in dispute	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount
dispute	(USD)		(USD)
		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 only previous similar assignments successfully completed in the last 5 years.

List only those assignments for which the Proposer was legally contracted or sub-contracted by the Client as a company or was one of the Consortium/JV partners. Assignments completed by the Proposer's individual experts working privately or through other firms cannot be claimed as the relevant experience of the Proposer, or that of the Proposer's partners or sub-consultants, but can be claimed by the Experts themselves in their CVs. The Proposer should be prepared to substantiate the claimed experience by presenting copies of relevant documents and references if so requested.

Project name & Country of Assignment	Client & Reference Contact Details	Contract Value (insert currency)	Period of activity and status (month, year)	Types of activities undertaken and role (Contractor, sub-contractor or consortium member)

Proposers ma	v also attach	their own Proje	ect Data Sheets with	more details for	or assianments 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 2024	Currency	Amount
	Year 2023	Currency	Amount
	Year 2022	Currency	Amount
Latest Credit Rating (if any), indicate the source and date.			

Financial information (USD)	Historic information for the last 3 years				
	2022	2023	2024		
	Ir	nformation from Balance Shee	t		
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 (current					
assets/current liabilities)					

☐ 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 Proposer 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.



#### FORM G: FORMAT FOR TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

Name of Proposer:	Click or tap here to enter text.	Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.
RFP reference:			

The proposer's proposal must be organized to follow the format of this Technical Proposal Form. Where the proposer is presented with a requirement or asked to use a specific approach, the proposer must not only state its acceptance, but also describe, where appropriate, how it intends to comply. Where a descriptive response is requested, failure to provide the same will be viewed as non-responsive.

#### Section 1: Proposer's qualification, capacity and expertise

- 1.1 Brief description of the organization, including the year and country of incorporation, and types of activities undertaken.
- 1.2 General organizational capability which is likely to affect implementation: management structure, financial stability and project financing capacity, project management controls, extent to which any work would be subcontracted (if so, provide details).
- 1.3 Relevance of specialized knowledge and experience on similar engagements done in the region/country.
- 1.4 Quality assurance procedures and risk mitigation measures.
- 1.5 Organisation Commitment to Sustainability

#### Section 2: Proposed Methodology, Approach and Implementation Plan

This section will be evaluated based on the proposer's demonstrated understanding of the assignment, the appropriateness of the proposed methodology and tools, the integration of innovative and value-added elements, the clarity and feasibility of the implementation plan, and the organization of roles within the proposed team. The evaluation will consider how comprehensively the proposer addresses the Terms of Reference (ToR) in a structured, logical, and results-oriented manner. Specific attention will be paid to the quality of the technical approach, innovation, risk management, resource planning, and operational readiness.

#### 2.1 Understanding of the Assignment

Describe in detail your understanding of the assignment's objectives, scope, and challenges. Explain how your approach is tailored to the local context and demonstrate alignment with the ToR. Present your conceptual framework and show how it underpins your overall strategy and methodology.

#### 2.2 Appropriateness of the Technical Offer and Methodology

Present the proposed methodology and technical offer, clearly linking them to the ToR. Explain how your tools, techniques, and approach will effectively deliver the assignment. If adjustments are anticipated, describe how these will be managed. Emphasize the relevance, completeness, and adaptability of your methodology.

# 2.3 Innovation and Added Value

Explain how your proposal introduces innovative approaches, tools, or practices that enhance the assignment. Describe how these elements go beyond standard expectations, add efficiency, improve outcomes, or increase sustainability. Clearly articulate the added value your methodology brings in the specific context of this assignment.

#### 2.4 Feasibility and Structure of the Implementation Plan

Provide a detailed, time-bound implementation plan, including sequencing of activities, key milestones, and interdependencies. Explain the operational logic behind your workplan and describe how it ensures timely and effective implementation. If possible, present the plan in Gantt chart format and include mechanisms for ongoing coordination, monitoring, and risk management.

#### 2.5 Team Structure and Allocation of Person-Days

Describe the proposed distribution of tasks and roles within the project team. Clarify the allocation of persondays per expert and explain how responsibilities are divided to ensure efficient execution. If applicable, elaborate on the coordination between team members, partners, or subcontractors.

Any other comments or information regarding the project approach and methodology that will be adopted.



## **Section 3: Management Structure and Key Personnel**

3.1 Describe the overall management approach toward planning and implementing the project. Include details of key personnel including their name and nationality, the Position they will assume and their role as per the ToR. 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.

3.2 For each of the key personnel provide: the CV using the format in Form H and the statement of exclusivity and availability using the format in Form I.



ORM H: FORMAT FO	R CV O	F PROP	OSED KEY PERSONNEL				
Name of Proposer:	Click	or tap h	ere to enter text.	Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.		
RFP reference:				,			
Position (as per ToR)							
Personnel Information		Name:					
		Nationa	ality:	Date	of birth:		
		Langua	ge Proficiency:				
Present Employment	t	Name o	of employer:	Conta	act: (manager or HR)		
		Address	s of employer:	1			
		Telepho	one:	Email	:		
		Job title	2:	Years	with present employer:		
Education / Qualifications			er, giving names of schools, date	other specialised education of personnel dates attended, and degrees/qualifications			
Professional Certifications			details of professional certificang name of institution and date		ons relevant to the scope of services f certification.		
References:		Provide referen		e and email contact information for two (2)			
			over the last 20 years in reverse relevant to the project.	chronologica	al order. Indicate particular		
From	·		То		pany / Project / Position / Relevant technical and nanagement experience		
the undersigned, cer	tify tha	at, to the	e best of my knowledge and be	lief, this CV is	accurate.		

\_Signature of Personnel

Date (Day/Month/Year)



#### FORM I: STATEMENT OF EXCLUSIVITY AND AVAILABLITY

Name of Proposer:	Click or tap here to enter text.	Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.
RFP reference:			

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I agree to participate exclusively with the Proposer Click or tap here to enter text.in the above referenced RFP. I further declare that I am able and willing to work for the period(s) foreseen for the position for which my CV has been included if this proposal is successful, namely:

From	То
Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.
Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.
Click or tap here to enter text.	Click or tap here to enter text.

I confirm that I am not engaged in other projects in a position for which my services are required during the periods where my services are required under this RFP.

By making this declaration, I understand that I am not allowed to present myself as a candidate to any other proposer submitting a proposal for this RFP. I am fully aware that if I do so, I will be excluded from this RFP, the proposals may be rejected, and I may also be subject to exclusion from other UNDP's solicitation procedures and contracts.

Furthermore, should this proposal be successful, I am fully aware that if I am not available at the expected start date of my services for reasons other than ill-health or *force majeure*, I may be subject to exclusion from other Click or tap here to enter text. solicitation procedures and contracts and that the notification of award of contract to the Proposer may be rendered null and void.

Name:			
Title:			
Date:			
Signature:			



#### FORM J: FINANCIAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Name of Proposer:	Click or tap here to enter text.	Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.
RFP reference:			

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services indicated in our proposal and in accordance with your Request for Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Financial Proposal in the amount indicated herewith.

Our Proposal shall be valid and remain binding upon us for the period specified in the Data Sheet.

We understand that you are not bound to accept any Proposal that you receive.

Our attached Financial Proposal is for the sum of [Insert amount in words and figures]. Please make sure the total matches with the total indicated in the deliverables section of the system (lines) and with the total deriving from the cost breakdown (form K).



#### FORM K: FORMAT FOR FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

Name of Proposer:	Click or tap here to enter text.	Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.
RFP reference:			

The proposer 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 Proposers. The inclusion of any financial information in the Technical Proposal shall lead to disqualification of the Proposer. The Financial Proposal should align with the requirements of the Terms of Reference and the proposer's Technical Proposal.

Currency of the proposal: MDL (Moldovan Leu) for local suppliers and USD (US Dollars) for international suppliers, VAT exclusive

**Table 1: Summary of Overall Prices** 

Costs	Amount (insert currency)
Professional Fees (from Table 2)	
Other Costs (from Table 3)	
Total Amount of Financial Proposal	

#### Table 2: Breakdown of Professional Fees\*

Name	Position	Fee Rate (insert currency)	No. of days / months / hours	Total Amount (insert currency)  C=A*B
	1 (one) Team Leader / Technical Specialist			-
	1 (one) Finance and Support Mechanisms Specialist			
	1 (one) Policy and Regulatory Specialist			
	Other staff (if any)			

Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Unit Price (insert currency)	Total Amount (insert currency)
International flights	Return trip			
Subsistence allowance	Day			
Local transportation costs	Lump sum			
Out-of-pocket expenses				
Other costs (specify)				

<sup>\*</sup> Please adjust the table as per your technical proposal. You may add/delete any budget sub-categories which are relevant to your technical proposal.



Table 4: Breakdown of Price per Deliverable / Activity

Deliverable / Milestone as per Terms of Reference	Time (person days)	Professional Fees (insert currency)	Other Costs (insert currency)	Total (insert currency)
Deliverable 1. Inception Report and Work Plan				
Deliverable 2. Preliminary Market Study Report				
Deliverable 3. Summary of the proposals received during the stakeholders' consultations				
Deliverable 4. Final Market Study Report				
Deliverable 5. Delivery and presentation of the Market Study Report during a stakeholder workshop, including key findings, recommendations, and facilitation of discussion on proposed interventions				
Total Amount of Financial Prop (insert currency)	osal			