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**Request For Proposal** 

For Hiring of Global Firm for Assessment of sites in RMI for development of Solar Rooftop Projects and preparation of Bankable DPRs for the potential sites



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#### Section 1. Letter of Invitation

The International Solar Alliance (ISA) hereby invites you to submit a Proposal to this Request for Proposal (RFP) for the above-referenced subject.

This RFP includes the following documents and the General Terms and Conditions of Contract which is inserted in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS):

Section 1: This Letter of Invitation Section 2: Instruction to Bidders Section 3: Bid Data Sheet (BDS) Section 4: Evaluation Criteria Section 5: Terms of Reference Section 6: Returnable Bidding Forms

- Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form
- Form B: Bidder Information Form
- Form C: Joint Venture/Consortium/Association Information Form (Not Applicable)
- $\circ~$  Form D: Qualification Form
- Form E: Format of Technical Proposal
- Form F: Financial Proposal Submission Form
- o Form G: Financial Proposal Form

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 Bid Data Sheet.

Please acknowledge receipt of this RFP by sending an email to procurement@isolaralliance.org, indicating whether you intend to submit a Proposal or otherwise. You may send the Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal files separately. The financial and technical proposal shall be encrypted with different passwords and clearly labelled. Any Amendments to the RFP will be notified on ISA Website. Should you require further clarifications, kindly communicate with the contact person/s identified in the attached Bid Data Sheet as the focal point for queries on this RFP.

ISA looks forward to receiving your Proposal and thank you in advance for your interest in ISA procurement opportunities.

Issued by: Vishal Pratap

Name:

Title: Procurement Unit Date: February 01, 2024

# Section 2. Instruction to Bidders

GENERAL PROVISIONS		
1. Introduction	1.1	Bidders shall adhere to all the requirements of this RFP, including any amendments in Writing by ISA.
	1.2	Any Proposal submitted will be regarded as an offer by the Bidder and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of the Proposal by ISA. ISA is under no obligation to award a contract to any Bidder as a result of this RFP.
2. Fraud & Corruption, Gifts and Hospitality	2.1	ISA strictly enforces a policy of zero tolerance on proscribed practices, including fraud, corruption, collusion, unethical or unprofessional practices, and obstruction of ISA vendors and requires all bidders/vendors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process and contract implementation.
	2.2	Bidders/vendors shall not offer gifts or hospitality of any kind to ISA staff members including recreational trips to sporting or cultural events, theme parks or offers of holidays, transportation, or invitations to extravagant lunches or dinners.
	2.3	<ul> <li>In pursuance of this policy, ISA</li> <li>(a) Shall reject a proposal if it determines that the selected bidder has engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;</li> <li>(b) Shall declare a vendor ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, 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 ISA contract.</li> </ul>
	2.4	All Bidders must adhere to the ISA Supplier Code of Conduct, which may be found at <u>https://isolaralliance.org/images/ISA%20Supplier%20Code%20of%20Con</u> <u>duct_14.4.2023.final%20version.pdf</u>
3. Eligibility	3.1	A vendor should not be suspended, debarred, or otherwise identified as ineligible by any UN Organization or the World Bank Group or any other international Organization. Vendors are therefore required to disclose to ISA whether they are subject to any sanction or temporary suspension imposed by these organizations.
	3.2	It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that its employees, joint venture members, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/or their employees meet the eligibility requirements as established by ISA.
4. Conflict of Interests	4.1	Bidders must strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own interests, and act without consideration for future work. Bidders found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. Without limitation on the generality of the above, Bidders, and any of their affiliates, shall be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this

		solicitation process, if they:
	4.2	<ul> <li>a) Are or have been associated in the past, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by ISA to provide 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 goods and services in this selection process;</li> <li>b) Were involved in the preparation and/or design of the programme/project related to the services requested under this RFP; or</li> <li>c) Are found to be in conflict for any other reason, as may be established by, or at the discretion of ISA.</li> <li>In the event of any uncertainty in the interpretation of a potential conflict of interest, Bidders must disclose to ISA, and seek ISA' s confirmation on whether or not such a conflict exists. The ISA shall have the discretion to disqualify or proceed with a bidder where there is a probable conflict of interest subject to further evaluation and review of various factors such as access to sensitive information which may confer unfair advantage as against other bidders. The decision on a probable conflict of interest shall be made in the best interest of the work of the ISA.</li> </ul>
	4.3	Similarly, the Bidders must disclose in their proposal their knowledge of the following:
		<ul> <li>a) If the owners, part-owners, officers, directors, controlling shareholders, of the bidding entity or key personnel are family members of ISA staff involved in the procurement functions and/or the Government of the country or any Implementing Partner receiving services under this RFP; and</li> <li>b) All other circumstances that could potentially lead to actual or perceived conflict of interest, collusion or unfair competition practices.</li> </ul>
		Failure to disclose such an information may result in the rejection of the proposal or proposals affected by the non-disclosure.
	4.4	The eligibility of Bidders that are wholly or partly owned by the Government shall be subject to ISA'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.
PREPARATION OF PROPO	SALS	
5. General Considerations	5.1	In preparing the Proposal, the Bidder is expected to examine the RFP in detail. Material deficiencies in providing the information requested in the RFP may result in rejection of the Proposal.
	5.2	The Bidder will not be permitted to take advantage of any errors or omissions in the RFP. Should such errors or omissions be discovered, the Bidder must notify the ISA

6. Cost of Preparation of Proposal	6.1 The Bidder shall bear any and all costs related to the preparation and/or submission of the Proposal, regardless of whether its Proposal was selected or not. ISA shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the procurement process.
7. Language	7.1 The Proposal, as well as any and all related correspondence exchanged by the Bidder and ISA, shall be Written in the language (s) specified in the BDS.
8. Documents Comprising the Proposal	<ul> <li>8.1 The Proposal shall comprise of the following documents:</li> <li>c) Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder;</li> <li>d) Technical Proposal;</li> <li>e) Financial Proposal;</li> <li>f) Proposal Security, if required by BDS;</li> <li>g) Any attachments and/or appendices to the Proposal.</li> </ul>
9. Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder	9.1 The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence of its status as an eligible and qualified vendor, using the Forms provided under Section 6 and providing documents required in those forms. In order to award a contract to a Bidder, its qualifications must be documented to ISA's satisfaction.
10. Technical Proposal Format and Content	10.1 The Bidder is required to submit a Technical Proposal using the Standard Forms and templates provided in Section 6 of the RFP.
	10.2 The Technical Proposal shall not include any price or financial information. A Technical Proposal containing material financial information may be declared non-responsive.
	10.3 Samples of items, when required as per Section 5, shall be provided within the time specified and unless otherwise specified by ISA, and at no expense to ISA
	10.4 When applicable and required as per Section 5, the Bidder shall describe the necessary training programme available for the maintenance and operation of the services and/or equipment offered as well as the cost to the ISA. Unless otherwise specified, such training as well as training materials shall be provided in the language of the Bid as specified in the BDS.
11. Financial Proposals	11.1 The Financial Proposal shall be prepared using the Standard Form provided in Section 6 of the RFP. It shall list all major cost components associated with the services, and the detailed breakdown of such costs.
	11.2 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.
	11.3 Prices and other financial information must not be disclosed in any other place except in the financial proposal.

12. Proposal Security	2.1 A Proposal Security, if required by BDS, shall be provided in the form indicated in the BDS. The Proposal Security shall be valid (30) days after the final date of validity of the Proposal.	
	2.2 The Proposal Security shall be included along with the Technic If Proposal Security is required by the RFP but is not found alo Technical Proposal, the Proposal shall be rejected.	•
	2.3 If the Proposal Security amount or its validity period is found to what is required by ISA, ISA shall reject the Proposal.	be less than
	2.4 In the event an electronic submission is allowed in the BDS, B include a copy of the Bid Security in their proposal and the ori Proposal Security must be sent via courier or hand delivery instructions in BDS.	iginal of the
	2.5 The Proposal Security may be forfeited by ISA, and the Propose in the event of any one or combination, of the following condit	-
	<ul> <li>a) If the Bidder withdraws its offer during the period of the Validity specified in the BDS, or;</li> <li>b) In the event that the successful Bidder fails: <ul> <li>i. to sign the Contract after ISA has issued an award; or</li> <li>ii. to furnish the Performance Security, insurances documents that ISA may require as a condition precedent of the contract that may be awarded to the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	, or other edent to the
13. Currencies	3.1 All prices shall be quoted in the currency or currencies indicated Where Proposals are quoted in different currencies, for the comparison of all Proposals:	
	<ul> <li>a) ISA will convert the currency quoted in the Proposal in preferred currency, in accordance with the prevailing UN rate of exchange on the last day of submission of Proposals</li> </ul>	operational
	b) In the event that ISA selects a proposal for award that is currency different from the preferred currency in the BE reserve the right to award the contract in the curren preference, using the conversion method specified above.	DS, ISA shall
14. Joint Venture, Consortium or Association	4.1 If the Bidder is a group of legal entities that will form or have for Venture (JV), Consortium or Association for the Proposal, confirm in their Proposal that : (i) they have designated one pa a lead entity, duly vested with authority to legally bind the men JV, Consortium or Association jointly and severally, which evidenced by a duly notarized Agreement among the legal e submitted with the Proposal; and (ii) if they are awarded the c contract shall be entered into, by and between ISA and the desi entity, who shall be acting for and on behalf of all the mem comprising the joint venture.	, they shall arty to act as obers of the shall be entities, and contract, the ignated lead
	4.2 After the Deadline for Submission of Proposal, the lead entity i	dentified to

	represent the JV, Consortium or Association shall not be altered without the prior written consent of ISA.
	14.3 The lead entity and the member entities of the JV, Consortium or Association shall abide by the provisions of Clause 15 herein in respect of submitting only one proposal.
	14.4 The description of the organization of the JV, Consortium or Association must clearly define the expected role of each of the entity 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 ISA.
	14.5 A JV, Consortium or Association in presenting its track record and experience should clearly differentiate between:
	<ul> <li>a) Those that were undertaken together by the JV, Consortium or Association; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>b) Those that were undertaken by the individual entities of the JV, Consortium or Association.</li> </ul>
	14.6 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.
15.Only One Proposal	15.1 The Bidder (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.
	<ul> <li>15.2 Proposals submitted by two (2) or more Bidders shall all be rejected if they are found to have any of the following:</li> <li>h) they have at least one controlling partner, director or shareholder in common; or</li> <li>i) any one of them receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from the other/s; or</li> <li>j) they have the same legal representative for purposes of this RFP; or</li> <li>k) 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 Bidder regarding this RFP process;</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>I) they are subcontractors to each other's Proposal, or a subcontractor to one Proposal also submits another Proposal under its name as lead Bidder; or</li> <li>m) some key personnel proposed to be in the team of one Bidder 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> </ul>
16.Proposal Validity Period	<ul> <li>16.1 Proposals shall remain valid for the period specified in the BDS, commencing on the Deadline for Submission of Proposals. A Proposal valid for a shorter period may be rejected by ISA and rendered non-responsive.</li> <li>16.2 During the Proposal validity period, the Bidder shall maintain its original Proposal without any change, including the availability of the Key Personnel, the proposed rates and the total price.</li> </ul>
17.Extension of Proposal Validity Period	<ul><li>17.1 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the proposal validity period, ISA may request Bidders 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.</li></ul>
	17.2 If the Bidder agrees to extend the validity of its Proposal, it shall be done without any change in the original Proposal.
	17.3 The Bidder has the right to refuse to extend the validity of its Proposal, and in which case, such Proposal will not be further evaluated.
18.Clarification of Proposal	18.1 Bidders may request clarifications on any of the RFP documents no later than the date indicated in the BDS. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing in the manner indicated in the BDS. If inquiries are sent other than specified channel, even if they are sent to an ISA staff member, ISA shall have no obligation to respond or confirm that the query was officially received.
	18.2 ISA will provide the responses to clarifications through the method specified in the BDS.
	18.3 ISA shall endeavor to provide responses to clarifications in an expeditious manner, but any delay in such response shall not cause an obligation on the part of ISA to extend the submission date of the Proposals, unless ISA deems that such an extension is justified and necessary.
19.Amendment of Proposals	19.1 At any time prior to the deadline of Proposal submission, ISA may for any reason, such as in response to a clarification requested by a Bidder, modify the RFP in the form of an amendment to the RFP. Amendments will be made available to all prospective bidders.
	19.2 If the amendment is substantial, ISA may extend the Deadline for submission of proposal to give the Bidders reasonable time to incorporate the amendment into their Proposals.

20.Alternative Proposals		Unless otherwise specified in the BDS, alternative proposals shall not be considered. If submission of alternative proposal is allowed by BDS, a Bidder may submit an alternative proposal, but only if it also submits a proposal conforming to the RFP requirements. ISA shall only consider the alternative proposal offered by the Bidder whose conforming proposal ranked the highest as per the specified evaluation method. Where the conditions for its acceptance are met, or justifications are clearly established, ISA reserves the right to award a contract based on an alternative proposal. If multiple/alternative proposals are being submitted, they must be clearly marked as "Main Proposal" and "Alternative Proposal"
21.Pre-Bid Conference	21.1	When appropriate, a Bidder's conference will be conducted at the date, time and location specified in the BDS. All Bidders are encouraged to attend. Non-attendance, however, shall not result in disqualification of an interested Bidder. Minutes of the Bidder's conference will be sent to all the participants of the pre-bid conference. No verbal statement made during the conference shall modify the terms and conditions of the RFP, unless specifically incorporated in the Minutes of the Bidder's Conference or issued/posted as an amendment to RFP.
SUBMISSION AND OPEN	ING OF	PROPOSALS
22.Submission	22.1	The Bidder shall submit a duly signed and complete Proposal comprising the documents and forms in accordance with the requirements in the BDS. The submission shall be in the manner specified in the BDS.
	22.2	The Proposal shall be signed by the Bidder or person(s) duly authorized to commit the Bidder. The authorization shall be communicated through a document evidencing such authorization issued by the legal representative of the bidding entity, or a Power of Attorney, accompanying the Proposal.
	22.3	Bidders must be aware that the mere act of submission of a Proposal, in and of itself, implies that the Bidder fully accepts the ISA General Contract Terms and Conditions. https://www.isolaralliance.org/images/ISA_GTB.pdf
Email Submission	22.4	Email submission, if allowed or specified in the BDS, shall be governed as follows:
		<ul> <li>a) Electronic files that form part of the proposal must be in accordance with the format and requirements indicated in BDS;</li> </ul>
		b) The Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal files MUST BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE. The financial proposal shall be encrypted with different passwords and clearly labelled. The files must be sent to the dedicated email address specified in the BDS.
		c) The password for opening the Financial Proposal should be provided only upon request of ISA. ISA will request password only from bidders whose Technical Proposal has been found to be technically responsive.

	Failure to provide correct password may result in the proposal being rejected.
23. Deadline for Submission of Proposals and Late	23.1 Complete Proposals must be received by ISA in the manner, and no later than the date and time, specified in the BDS. ISA shall only recognize the date and time that the bid was received by ISA
Proposals	23.2 ISA shall not consider any Proposal that is submitted after the deadline for the submission of Proposals.
24. Withdrawal, Substitution, and	24.1 A Bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Proposal after it has been submitted at any time prior to the deadline for submission.
Modification of Proposals	24.2 Manual and Email submissions: A bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Proposal by sending a written notice to ISA, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization (or a Power of Attorney). The corresponding substitution or modification of the Proposal, if any, must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be submitted in the same manner as specified for submission of proposals, by clearly marking them as "WITHDRAWAL" "SUBSTITUTION," or "MODIFICATION"
	24.3 Proposals requested to be withdrawn shall be returned unopened to the Bidders, only for manual submissions. For online submissions, bids will be disregarded by ISA.
25.Proposal Opening	<ul><li>25.1 There is no public bid opening for RFPs. ISA shall open the Proposals in the presence of an ad-hoc committee formed by ISA, consisting of at least two (2) members.</li></ul>
EVALUATION OF PROPOS	ALS
26. Confidentiality	26.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, and comparison of Proposals, and the recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to Bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process, even after publication of the contract award.
	26.2 Any effort by a Bidder or anyone on behalf of the Bidder to influence ISA in the examination, evaluation and comparison of the Proposals or contract award decisions may, at ISA's decision, result in the rejection of its Proposal and may be subject to the application of prevailing ISA vendor sanctions procedures.
27.Evaluation of Proposals	27.1 The Bidder is not permitted to alter or modify its Proposal in any way after the proposal submission deadline except as permitted under Clause 24 of this RFP. ISA will conduct the evaluation solely on the basis of the submitted Technical and Financial Proposals.
	<ul> <li>27.2 Evaluation of proposals is made of the following steps:</li> <li>n) Preliminary Examination</li> <li>o) Minimum Eligibility and Qualification (if pre-qualification is not done)</li> <li>p) Evaluation of Technical Proposals</li> </ul>

	q) Evaluation of Financial Proposals
28.Preliminary Examination	28.1 ISA 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. ISA reserves the right to reject any Proposal at this stage.
29.Evaluation of Eligibility and Qualification	B. Eligibility and Qualification of the Bidder will be evaluated against the Minimum Eligibility/Qualification requirements specified in the Section 4 (Evaluation Criteria).
	<ul> <li>C. In general terms, vendors that meet the following criteria may be considered qualified:</li> <li>i. They are not included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 Committee's list of terrorists and terrorist financiers.</li> <li>ii. They have a good financial standing and have access to adequate financial resources to perform the contract and all existing commercial commitments,</li> <li>iii. They have the necessary similar experience, technical expertise, production capacity where applicable, quality certifications, quality assurance procedures and other resources applicable to the provision of the services required;</li> <li>iv. They are able to comply fully with ISA General Terms and Conditions of Contract;</li> <li>v. They do not have a consistent history of court/arbitral award decisions against the Bidder; and</li> <li>vi. They have a record of timely and satisfactory performance with their clients.</li> <li>viii. The consulting firm should provide credentials, through adequate references or documentation, their current local presence in the ISA focus regions. Past experience of working with ISA and/or with</li> </ul>
30.Evaluation of Technical and Financial Proposals	<ul> <li>multilateral/international organizations will be an added advantage.</li> <li>30.1 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 the 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 the BDS. When necessary and if stated in the BDS, ISA 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.</li> <li>30.2 In the second stage, only the Financial Proposals of those Bidders who achieve the minimum technical score will be opened for evaluation. The Financial Proposals corresponding to Technical Proposals that were rendered non-responsive shall remain unopened, and, in the case of manual submission, be returned to the Bidder unopened.</li> </ul>

	Proposals submissions, ISA will not request for the password of the Financial Proposals of bidders whose Technical Proposal were found not responsive.
	30.3 The evaluation method that applies for this RFP shall be as indicated in the BDS, 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 Bidders; or (b) the combined scoring method which will be based on a combination of the technical and financial score.
	30.4 When the BDS specifies a combined scoring method, the formula for the rating of the Proposals will be as follows:
	Rating the Technical Proposal (TP):
	<b>TP Rating</b> = (Total Score Obtained by the Offer / Max. Obtainable Score for TP) x 100
	Rating the Financial Proposal (FP):
	<b>FP Rating</b> = (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%/100) + (FP Rating) x (Weight of FP, e.g., 30%/100)
<i>31. Due Diligence</i>	31.1 ISA reserves the right to undertake a due diligence exercise, also called post qualification, aimed at determining to its satisfaction, the validity of the information provided by the Bidder. Such exercise shall be fully documented and may include, but need not be limited to, all or any combination of the following:
	<ul> <li>a) Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of information provided by the Bidder;</li> <li>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;</li> <li>c) Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with invisidiation on the Bidder or with provide clients or any other entity.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>jurisdiction on the Bidder, or with previous clients, or any other entity that may have done business with the Bidder;</li> <li>d) Inquiry and reference checking with previous clients on the performance on on-going or contracts completed, including physical inspections of previous works, as necessary;</li> <li>e) Physical inspection of the Bidder's offices, branches or other places</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>where business transpires, with or without notice to the Bidder;</li><li>f) Other means that ISA may deem appropriate, at any stage within the</li></ul>
	if other means that by may deem appropriate, at any stage within the

		selection process, prior to awarding the contract.
32.Clarification of Proposals	32.1	To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Proposals, ISA may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its Proposal.
	32.2	ISA's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing and no change in the prices or substance of the Proposal shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to provide clarification, and confirm the correction of any arithmetic errors discovered by ISA in the evaluation of the Proposals, in accordance with RFP.
	32.3	Any unsolicited clarification submitted by a Bidder in respect to its Proposal, which is not a response to a request by ISA, shall not be considered during the review and evaluation of the Proposals.
33.Responsiveness of Proposal	33.1	ISA's determination of a Proposal's responsiveness will 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.
	33.2	If a Proposal is not substantially responsive, it shall be rejected by ISA and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.
34.Nonconformities, Reparable Errors and Omissions	34.1	Provided that a Proposal is substantially responsive, ISA may waive any non-conformities or omissions in the Proposal that, in the opinion of ISA, do not constitute a material deviation.
	34.2	ISA may request the Bidder to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, 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 Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Proposal.
	34.3	For Financial Proposal that has been opened, ISA 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 ISA 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>
		<li>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</li>
		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.
	34.4	If the Bidder does not accept the correction of errors made by ISA, it Proposal shall be rejected.
D. AWARD OF CONT	RACT	
35.Right to Accept, Reject, Any or All Proposals	35.1	ISA reserves the right to accept or reject any Proposal, to render any or a of the Proposals as non-responsive, and to reject all Proposals at any tim prior to award of contract, without incurring any liability, or obligation t inform the affected Bidder(s) of the grounds for ISA's action. ISA shall no be obliged to award the contract to the lowest priced offer.
36.Award Criteria	36.1	Prior to expiration of the proposal validity, ISA shall award the contract t the qualified Bidder based on the award criteria indicated in the BDS.
37.Right to Vary Requirements at the Time of Award	37.1	At the time of award of Contract, ISA reserves the right to vary the quantit of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty-five per cent (25% of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms an conditions.
38.Contract Signature	38.1	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 ISA Failure to do so may constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award, and forfeiture of the Proposal Security, if any, and on which event ISA may award the Contract to the Second Ranked Bidder or call for new Proposals.
39.Performance Security	39.1	A performance security, if required in BDS, shall be provided in the amour specified in BDS. Within fifteen (15) days of the contract signature by bot parties. Where a performance security is required, the receipt of th performance security by ISA shall be a condition for rendering the contract effective.
40.Bank Guarantee for Advanced Payment	40.1	Except when the interests of ISA so require, it is ISA's preference to mak no advance payment(s) (i.e., payments without having received an outputs). If an advance payment is allowed as per BDS, and exceeds 20% of the total contract price, or USD 30,000, whichever is less, the Bidder sha submit a Bank Guarantee in the full amount of the advance payment.
41.Liquidated Damages	41.1	If specified in BDS, ISA shall apply Liquidated Damages resulting from the Contractor's delays or breach of its obligations as per the Contract.
42.Payment Provisions	42.1	Payment will be made only upon ISA's acceptance of the work performed. The terms of payment shall be within thirty (30) days, after receipt of invoice and certification of acceptance of work issued by the proper authority in ISA with direct supervision of the Contractor. Payment will be affected by bank transfer in the currency of contract.
		ISA may withdraw the RFP at any time by providing written notice to th

bidder in any case in which the mandate of ISA applicable to the performance of the Contract or the funding of ISA applicable to the RFP is curtailed or terminated, whether in whole or in part.
43.2. The ISA is striving to achieve gender parity in all its activities. In this regard, female-owned organizations and/or teams with significant gender diversity are strongly encouraged to submit a proposal.
43.3. The ISA recognizes the importance of valuing diversity and promoting inclusion in all our work programs and partnerships. The ISA strives to engage with organizations and/or teams that reflect its geographical representation and diversity.

# Section 3. Bid Data Sheet

The following data for the services to be procured shall complement, supplement, or amend the provisions in the Request for Proposals. In the case of a conflict between the Instructions to Bidders, the Data Sheet, and other annexes or references attached to the Data Sheet, the provisions in the Data Sheet shall prevail.

BDS No.	Ref. to Section.2	Data	Specific Instructions / Requirements
1	7	Language of the Proposal	English
2		Submitting Proposals for Parts or sub-parts of the TOR (partial bids)	Not Allowed
3	20	Alternative Proposals	Shall not be considered
4	21	Pre-proposal conference	Will be Conducted February 12, 2024
5	10	Proposal Validity Period	90 days
6	14	Bid Security	NIL
7	41	Advanced Payment upon signing of contract	Not Allowed
8	42	Liquidated Damages	<ul> <li>Will be imposed as follows:</li> <li>Provide details below if "Will be Imposed" is selected, otherwise delete the below</li> <li>0.1% of contract price per day of delay</li> <li>Max. number of days of delay 15, (1.5% of contract amount) after which ISA may terminate the contract.</li> </ul>
9	40	Performance Security	Not Required
10	18	Currency of Proposal	Indian Rupees or United States Dollar
11	31	Deadline for submitting requests for	7 days before the submission deadline

		clarifications/ questions	
12	31	Contact Details for submitting clarifications/questions	Focal Person in ISA: Procurement Unit E-mail: <u>procurement@isolaralliance.org</u> Address: International Solar Alliance, 3rd Floor, Surya Bhawan, NISE Campus, Gwal Pahari, Gurugram, Haryana - 122003, India
13	18, 19 and 21	Manner of Disseminating Supplemental Information to the RFP and responses/clarifications to queries	Direct communication to prospective Proposers by email <u>E-mail: procurement@isolaralliance.org</u>
14	23	Deadline for Submission	February 22, 2024 - 11.00 PM (Indian Standard Time)
14	22	Allowable Manner of Submitting Proposals	□ Submission by email
15	22	Proposal Submission Address	E-mail: procurement@isolaralliance.org
16	22	Electronic submission (email) requirements	<ul> <li>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>Password for financial proposal <u>must</u> not be provided to ISA until requested by ISA</li> <li>Max. File Size per transmission: 5 MB</li> </ul>
17	27 36	Evaluation Method for the Award of Contract	Combined Scoring Method, using the 70%-30% distribution for technical and financial proposals respectively The minimum technical score required to pass is 70%.
18		Expected date for commencement of Contract	April 1, 2024
19		Maximum expected duration of contract	Four months from the signing of contract.

20	35	ISA will award the contract to:	One or more Proposers, depending on the following factors : One contract will be awarded to the organisation for delivering entire scope of work
21	39	Type of Contract	ISA will award one contract
22		Other Information Related to the RFP	[All other instructions and information not yet mentioned so far in this Data Sheet but are relevant to the RFP must be cited here, and any further entries that may be added below this table row]

# Section 4. Evaluation Criteria

#### **Preliminary Examination Criteria**

Proposals will be examined to determine whether they are complete and submitted in accordance with RFP requirements as per below criteria on a Yes/No basis:

- Appropriate signatures
- Power of Attorney
- Minimum documents provided
- Technical and Financial Proposals submitted separately
- Bid Validity
- Bid Security submitted as per RFP requirements with compliant validity period

# **Minimum Eligibility and Qualification Criteria**

Summary of Technical Proposal Evaluation Forms		
1.	Bidder's qualification, capacity, and experience	400
2.	Proposed Methodology, Approach, and Implementation Plan	400
3.	3. Management Structure and Key Personnel	
	Total	1000

Sectio	n 1. Bidder's qualification, capacity and experience	Points obtainable	Reference page
1.1	Should have experience of conducting detailed surveys (Physical & Desktop), including energy demand, consumption pattern of the buildings for the purpose of conceiving and formulating feasibility reports / detailed project reports for Solar Rooftop (SRT) Projects. (Minimum projects executed = 3 )	200	
1.2	Capacity of the single largest project undertaken	100	
1.3	Number of countries in which similar works have been carried out	100	
	Total Section 1	400	

Bidder shall submit documentary proof/copy of the orders of relevant assignments/ Self certification with proof by the authorized signatory of the bidder for each assignment for the purpose of technical evaluation.

Sectio	n 2. Proposed Methodology, Approach, and Implementation Plan	Points obtainable	Reference page
2.1	Should have experience in detailed project report preparation including Techno commercial evaluation in prevailing conditions, suitable business models, financing mechanisms, policy & regulatory framework and Tariff fixation in the Solar rooftop projects.	250	
2.2	Should have experience in commercial documentation like PPA, Concession agreements, payment security instruments, bidding documents for selection of Renewable Energy Service Companies (RESCOs) etc. (The documents should have been produced and accepted by Funding agency/ Beneficiary)	50	
	Should have experience/capability in coordination with various stakeholders like policy makers, regulators, power generation, transmission and distribution utilities.		
	Total Section 2	400	

Section	n 3. Management Structure and Key Personnel	Points	Total Points obtainable	Referen ce Page
3.1	Qualifications of key personnel proposed			
3.1 a	Team Leader		100	
	- At least 5 years of experience in renewable energy sector			
	<ul> <li>Leading / supporting projects with data inputs, where multiple stakeholders with different views are involved</li> <li>Proven record in drafting policy-maker friendly reports from complex datasets and analytical findings</li> <li>Proven record in enabling knowledge transfer and developing solar energy roadmaps for countries.</li> <li>Proven record to lead skilled technical staff competent to conceive, design and formulate SRT projects</li> </ul>			
3.1 b	Technology Expert		50	

	<ul> <li>with preferably 5 years of professional experience</li> <li>Knowledge of solar energy technology, strategy and approaches</li> <li>Techno-economic assessment of solar energy technologies</li> <li>Understanding of key business models, challenges and opportunities in scaling a solar energy technology</li> </ul>			
3.1 c	Policy Expert		50	
	<ul> <li>with preferably 5 years of professional experience in</li> <li>Knowledge of solar energy policy, financing, etc.</li> <li>Evaluation and design of policies, energy finance mechanisms, business models</li> <li>Proven record in drafting policy-maker friendly reports</li> </ul>			
	Tota	I Section 3	200	

Kindly provide against each point the reference page number where narration/proof of the response to each of the above point is provided in the bid.

Financial Standing	Minimum average annual turnover of US\$ Fifty Thousand for the last 3 years	Form D: Qualification Form
	Bidder must demonstrate the current soundness of its financial standing and indicate its prospective long-term profitability	Form D: Qualification Form
Payment Terms	50% of the contract value after completion of Physical Surveys and submission of first draft of DPR after consultation with all stakeholders	
	Balance 50% of the contract value on submission of final DPR and other relevant documents after the required revisions and duly approval by ISA and Member Country.	

# Section 5. Terms of Reference

#### 1.0 About Republic of Marshall Islands (RMI)

An island country comprises 29 coral atolls and is situated slightly west of the International Date Line. It lies east of the Federated States of Micronesia, northeast of Kiribati, north of Nauru and south of Wake Island. The most populous atolls are Majuro and Kwajalein, which offers employment at the U.S. missile testing range; together they have almost three-fourths of the country's total population. The rest of the population lives in traditional villages on the outer islands away from the two urban centres.

Economy is dominated by grants and constrained by its small population, vulnerability to external shocks, narrow range of natural resources, aspects of its geography (size, remoteness and dispersal) and the impacts of extreme weather events. External grants, taxation, fishing receipts and shipping registry fees are the key sources of government revenue. The GDP value of RMI represents less than 0.01% of the world economy. The Government of RMI is the country's major employer, followed by the commercial and retail sectors. The construction industry is expanding but there is limited domestic production. Fisheries, copra, handicrafts and subsistence agriculture are the most significant sectors of the economy. The fishing industry has been boosted by the introduction of the Vessel Day Scheme under the Parties to the Nauru Agreement. Annual exports are dominated by fish, copra oil, copra cake and handicrafts. Imports are dominated by food, fuel, machinery and equipment.

The RMI relies on imported petroleum to meet 99% of its primary energy needs. In 2016, 1,928 TJ of petroleum products were imported, of which 65% were used for national energy needs and 35% for international fuel bunkering. Of the national supply, 61% was used for electricity generation, 37% for transport, and the balance for commercial and industrial use. RMI has no fossil fuel, geothermal, or hydropower resources but enjoys good solar irradiation. Biomass, wind, and marine energy are also potential energy resources.

The Marshall Islands are served by two government-owned electric utilities, Marshalls Energy Company (MEC) and KAJUR. MEC coordinates power generation and distribution services for the majority of RMI, while KAJUR, a subsidiary of MEC, services RMI's second largest population centre, Ebeye.

Under the office of the President, Economic Policy, Planning and Statistics Office is responsible for development of policy and energy sector finance while the office of Environmental Planning and Policy Coordination is responsible for environmental aspects of energy. The Ministry of Resources and Development is responsible for the agriculture, energy, trade, and investment sectors while its Energy Planning Division is responsible for energy planning and coordination. Petroleum is imported by the state-owned Marshalls Energy Company (MEC) and private companies. MEC is responsible for on-grid and off-grid electricity generation, transmission, and distribution throughout the country except for Ebeye. Kwajalein Atoll Joint Utility Resources (KAJUR), a subsidiary of MEC, is responsible for on-grid electricity generation, transmission, distribution and water & sanitation services in Ebeye.

#### 2.0 About ISA Programme (Scaling Solar Rooftops)

ISA Programme 4 "Scaling of Solar Rooftop", was launched with an objective to promote, assess potential, harmonize demand, and pool resources for rapid deployment and scaling up of Rooftop Solar (Off-Grid and Grid-Connected) in Member Countries.

RMI has joined the ISA Programme No. 04 with the intention to develop Solar Rooftop projects. In this context, ISA is looking for a competent firm / company to help RMI move forward towards its stated objectives by way of understanding the policy / regulations and conducting survey & investigation of potential buildings of RMI for Solar Rooftop projects and subsequently preparing bankable DPRs for the

buildings enclosed at Annexure-I.

# 3.0 Key Deliverables

The key deliverables of the selected bidder shall be one or more of the following to enable the readiness of the RMI for scaling of Solar Rooftops (SRT) projects in the country. The selected bidder is required to carry out the following activities as per the requirement of ISA while doing the assessment:

- **3.1** Prepare country primary energy (supply & consumption) profile and power sector overview including generation portfolio, transmission & distribution capacity (at different voltage level), number of consumers under different categories (residential/domestic, commercial, industrial, agriculture, government and others), power demand and supply gap, power import/export scenario, electricity tariff for different category of consumers, electricity access, power and electricity consumption profile month-wise for an year etc.
- **3.2** Execute solar rooftop assessment for the identified buildings (Annexure-1) based on the site survey and understand the readiness of the country in scaling up solar rooftop programme in the country, which includes but not limited to:
  - 3.2.1 Segmentation of identified buildings based on the services (healthcare, education, aviation, residential, institutional, community centre, industrial, government etc.) and analysis of their energy demand (existing and projected), operational hours, energy consumption, geolocation, prevailing electricity tariff, power supply scenario, willingness and ability to pay etc.
  - 3.2.2 Assess the capacity of existing power evacuation infrastructure and its proximity to the existing substation.
  - 3.2.3 Assess capacity & compatibility of available energy source (i.e., diesel generators) at the site and indicate the most cost-effective source or combination of sources.
  - 3.2.4 Assess the compatibility of all the identified buildings to withstand the load of solar rooftop project on roof or any other location for each site.
  - 3.2.5 Recommend the most suitable solar rooftop location(s) based on the physical assessment. This will serve as basis for the technical design of the solar rooftop project and to prioritize the location(s).
  - 3.2.6 Based on the above aspects, estimating the most optimum size of the solar rooftop projects along with optimum energy storage solutions for the identified location(s).
- **3.3** Selected bidder shall collect all the relevant data for each site (technical, commercial & financial) and findings shall be recorded in a suitable data collection format and substantiated with site photographs duly approved by concerned administrative ministry and associated departments/agencies of the country.
- **3.4** Review the existing policies and regulations sector wise (healthcare, education, aviation, residential, industrial, government, institutions) with respect to solar energy adoption in the country and identify the gaps & challenges and provide the recommendations accordingly to scaleup the solar rooftop projects in consultation with concerned administrative ministry and associated departments/agencies of the country.
- **3.5** Review the existing solar rooftop projects and capture learnings, best practices and reasons for successes or failures of previously implemented solar rooftop projects including plant capacity,

method of implementation, timeframe, business model adopted, performance trajectory, power evacuation scenario, techno-commercial aspects and socio-economic impact of project.

- **3.6** The selected bidder shall also assist ISA in arranging training programme & workshops during country missions in country.
- **3.7** Based on the above-mentioned assessment, preparation of bankable detailed project report for each of the finalized rooftop site(s) in the country. The bankable details project report shall consist of following:
  - 3.7.1 Identification of suitable space/area, site survey details, analysis of installed electrical equipment's/appliances & connected loads, maximum demand, energy consumption profile.
  - 3.7.2 Basic engineering of proposed solar rooftop plant including layout, shadow analysis, technology selection, technical description & specification of all the components and auxiliary power requirements. The plant shall be designed in such a way that it can withstand the environmental disasters and natural calamities like storms, flood, cyclone of category -5.
  - 3.7.3 Techno-commercial study including design simulation & estimation of generated energy, estimated total project cost, prospective business models with its benefits, financial analysis covering financial viability, cost-benefit analysis, RoE, profitability and cash flow at levelized tariff etc.
  - 3.7.4 Preparation of detailed engineering drawings for the projects including but not limited to the following:
    - Solar array layout (to be located in completely shadow free space identified during site survey).
    - Single line diagram (clearly showing and differentiating existing energy flow diagram and proposed solar power generation, distribution and integration with the existing power evacuation network).
    - Details of cable routing and termination (including complete specifications).
    - Control room equipment layout and complete equipment interconnection.
    - Location and interconnection of bi-directional energy meter.
    - A set of documents including complete specifications, warranty terms and details of traceability of all the equipment's to be supplied with the power plant.
  - 3.7.5 Data regarding reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and fossil fuel import due to the proposed solar rooftop project(s).
  - 3.7.6 Compliance of all type of statutory approvals required for the implementation of identified solar rooftop project in the country
  - 3.7.7 Implementation schedule of proposed solar rooftop project(s) in the country
  - 3.7.8 Manpower planning, operation & maintenance activities, risk analysis of proposed solar rooftop project(s) in the country
  - 3.7.9 Conclusion & Recommendations.

**3.8** Preparation of standard project documents like model bidding document, Power Purchase Agreement, Concession Agreement etc. (wherever required) as per the country requirement.

#### Note:

- A. For the execution of the above-mentioned tasks, the selected bidder shall closely interact and liaison with ISA and the key stakeholders like policy makers, regulators, power generation, transmission, distribution Utilities, concerned ministries and government departments/agencies etc. of the country.
- B. The selected bidder shall submit the soft copy and appropriate number of translated hard copies of DPRs and other relevant documents as per the requirement of the country.

S No.	List of Buildings	Island	Other details
1	Life Skills Academy	Majuro	Vocational school with about 100 students
2	Maritime Training Center	Majuro	NEW training center for maritime
3	Kwajalein Atoll Joint Utility Resources (KAJUR)	Ebeye	Addition to the current Solar Side Walk Pilot Project or one of their facilities

C. Annexure-I
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# Section 6: Returnable Bidding Forms / Checklist

This form serves as a checklist for preparation of your Proposal. Please complete the Returnable Bidding Forms in accordance with the instructions in the forms and return them as part of your Proposal submission. No alteration to format of forms shall be permitted and no substitution shall be accepted. Before submitting your Proposal, please ensure compliance with the Proposal Submission instructions of the BDS 22.

# **Technical Proposal Envelope:**

Have you duly completed all the Returnable Bidding Forms?		
Form A: Technical Proposal Submission Form		
<ul> <li>Form B: Bidder Information Form</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Form C: Joint Venture/Consortium/ Association Information Form</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Form D: Qualification Form</li> </ul>		
Form E: Format of Technical Proposal		
Form H: Proposal Security Form		
[Add other forms as necessary]		
Have you provided the required documents to establish compliance with the evaluation criteria in Section 4?		

# **Financial Proposal Envelope**

#### (Must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope/password protected email)

Form F: Financial Proposal Submission Form	
<ul> <li>Form G: Financial Proposal Form</li> </ul>	

#### FORM A: TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services for [Insert Title of services] in accordance with your Request for Proposal No. [Insert RFP Reference Number] and our Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal and our Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelope.

We hereby declare that our firm, its affiliates or subsidiaries or employees, including any JV/Consortium /Association members or subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract:

- a) 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;
- b) 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;
- c) have no conflict of interest in accordance with Instruction to Bidders Clause 4;
- d) do not employ, or anticipate employing, any person(s) who is, or has been an ISA staff member within the last year, if said ISA staff member has or had prior professional dealings with our firm in his/her capacity as ISA staff member within the last three years of service with the ISA;
- e) have not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against them that could impair their operations in the foreseeable future;
- f) undertake not to engage in proscribed practices, including but not limited to corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice, with the ISA or any other party, and to conduct business in a manner that averts any financial, operational, reputational or other undue risk to the ISA and we *embrace the principles of the ISA Supplier Code of Conduct*.

We declare that all the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and we accept that any misinterpretation or misrepresentation contained in this Proposal may lead to our disqualification and/or sanctioning by the ISA.

We offer to provide services in conformity with the Bidding documents, including the ISA General Conditions of Contract and in accordance with the Terms of Reference

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

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

*I, the undersigned, certify that I am duly authorized by* [Insert Name of Bidder] *to sign this Proposal and bind it should ISA accept this Proposal.* 

Name:	
Title:	
Date:	
Signature:	

[Stamp with official stamp of the Bidder]

# FORM B: BIDDER INFORMATION FORM

Legal name of Bidder	[Complete]
Legal address	[Complete]
Year of registration	[Complete]
Bidder's Authorized Representative Information	Name and Title: [Complete] Telephone numbers: [Complete] Email: [Complete]
Are you a UNGM registered vendor?	□ Yes □ No If yes, [insert UGNM vendor number]
Are you an ISA vendor?	□ Yes □ No
Countries of operation	[Complete]
No. of full-time employees	[Complete]
Quality Assurance Certification (e.g. ISO 9000 or Equivalent) (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	[Complete]
Does your Company hold any accreditation such as ISO 14001 related to the environment? (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	[Complete]
Does your Company have a Written Statement of its Environmental Policy? (If yes, provide a Copy)	[Complete]
Contact person ISA may contact for	Name and Title: [Complete]
requests for clarification during Proposal evaluation	Telephone numbers: [Complete] Email: [Complete]
Please attach the following documents:	<ul> <li>Company Profile, which should <u>not</u> exceed fifteen (15) pages, including printed brochures and product catalogues relevant to the goods/services being procured</li> <li>Certificate of Incorporation/ Business Registration</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>Trade name registration papers, if applicable</li> <li>Local Government permit to locate and operate in assignment location, if applicable</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>Official Letter of Appointment as local representative, if Bidder is submitting a Bid in behalf of an entity located</li> </ul>
outside the country
<ul> <li>Power of Attorney</li> </ul>

# FORM C: JOINT VENTURE/CONSORTIUM/ASSOCIATION INFORMATION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

To be completed and returned with your Proposal if the Proposal is submitted as a Joint Venture/Consortium/Association.

No	<b>Name of Partner and contact information</b> (address, telephone numbers, fax numbers, e-mail address)	Proposed proportion of responsibilities (in %) and type of services to be performed
1	[Complete]	[Complete]
2	[Complete]	[Complete]
3	[Complete]	[Complete]

Name of leading partner	
(with authority to bind the JV,	
Consortium, Association during the	[Complete]
RFP process and, in the event a	[Complete]
Contract is awarded, during contract	
execution)	

We have attached a copy of the below document signed by every partner, which details the likely legal structure of and the confirmation of joint and severable liability of the members of the said joint venture:

Letter of intent to form a joint venture	OR	□ JV/Consortium/Association agreement
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We hereby confirm that if the contract is awarded, all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium/Association shall be jointly and severally liable to ISA `for the fulfillment of the provisions of the Contract. Name of partner: Name of partner:

Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date:
Name of partner:	Name of partner:
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date:

#### FORM D: QUALIFICATION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

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

# **Historical Contract Non-Performance**

Contract non-performance did not occur for the last 3 years				
□ Contract(s) not performed for the last 3 years				
Year	Non- performed portion of contract	Contract Identification	<b>Total Contract Amount</b> (current value in US\$)	
		Name of Client: Address of Client: Reason(s) for non-performance:		

#### Litigation History (including pending litigation)

No litigation history for the last 3 years				
□ Litigation History as indicated below				
Year of	Amount in	Contract Identification	<b>Total Contract Amount</b>	
dispute	dispute (in US\$)		(current value in US\$)	
		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 3 years.

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

Project name &	<b>Client &amp; Reference</b>	Contract	Period of	Types of activities
Country of	Contact Details	Value	activity and	undertaken

Assignment		status	

Bidders may also attach their own Project Data Sheets with more details for assignments 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	USD
	Year	USD
	Year	USD
Latest Credit Rating (if any), indicate the source		

<b>Financial information</b> (in US\$ equivalent)	Historic information for the last 3 years		
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	Info	ormation from Balance Shee	et
Total Assets (TA)			
Total Liabilities (TL)			
Current Assets (CA)			
Current Liabilities (CL)			
	Infori	mation from Income Statem	ent
Total / Gross Revenue (TR)			
Profits Before Taxes (PBT)			
Net Profit			
Current Ratio			

□ 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 Bidder 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 E: FORMAT OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

Please ensure that the information below is adapted in accordance with the technical evaluation criteria included in Section 4. The below sections correspond to the sample criteria included in this template RFP in Section 4]

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

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

# SECTION 1: Bidder'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 Specific organizational capability which is likely to affect implementation: management structure, financial stability and project financing capacity, project management controls.
- 1.3 Relevance of specialized knowledge and experience on similar engagements for fund-raising done in the region/country.
- 1.4 Quality assurance procedures and risk mitigation measures.
- 1.5 Organization's commitment to sustainability.

# SECTION 2: Proposed Methodology, Approach and Implementation Plan

This section should demonstrate the bidder's responsiveness to the TOR by identifying the specific components proposed, addressing the requirements, providing a detailed description of the essential performance characteristics proposed and demonstrating how the proposed approach and methodology meets or exceeds the requirements. All important aspects should be addressed in sufficient detail and different components of the project should be adequately weighted relative to one another.

- 2.1 A detailed description of the approach and methodology for how the Bidder will achieve the Terms of Reference of the project, keeping in mind the appropriateness to local conditions and project environment. Details how the different service elements shall be organized, controlled and delivered.
- 2.2 The methodology shall also include details of the Bidder's internal technical and quality assurance review mechanisms.
- 2.3 Description of available performance monitoring and evaluation mechanisms and tools; how they shall be adopted and used for a specific requirement.
- 2.4 Implementation plan including a Gantt Chart or Project Schedule indicating the detailed sequence of activities that will be undertaken and their corresponding timing.
- 2.5 Demonstrate how you plan to integrate sustainability measures in the execution of the contract.

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

# SECTION 2A: Bidder's Comments and Suggestions on the Terms of Reference

Provide comments and suggestions on the Terms of Reference, or additional services that will be rendered beyond the requirements of the TOR, if any.

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

- 3.1 Describe the overall management approach toward planning and implementing the project. 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 Provide CVs for key personnel that will be provided to support the implementation of this project using the format below. CVs should demonstrate qualifications in areas relevant to the Scope of Services.

#### Format for CV of Proposed Key Personnel

NAME OF PERSONNEL	[INSERT]
POSITION FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT	[INSERT]
NATIONALITY	[INSERT]
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY	[INSERT]

	[SUMMARIZE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY AND OTHER SPECIALIZED EDUCATION OF PERSONNEL MEMBER, GIVING NAMES OF SCHOOLS, DATES ATTENDED, AND DEGREES/QUALIFICATIONS OBTAINED.]
EDUCATION/ QUALIFICATIONS	
	[INSERT]
PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS	[PROVIDE DETAILS OF PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS RELEVANT TO THE SCOPE OF SERVICES]
	<ul> <li>NAME OF INSTITUTION: [INSERT]</li> <li>DATE OF CERTIFICATION: [INSERT]</li> </ul>

EMPLOYMENT RECORD/ EXPERIENCE	[LIST ALL POSITIONS HELD BY PERSONNEL (STARTING WITH PRESENT POSITION, LIST IN REVERSE ORDER), GIVING DATES, NAMES OF EMPLOYING ORGANIZATION, TITLE OF POSITION HELD AND LOCATION OF EMPLOYMENT. FOR EXPERIENCE IN LAST FIVE YEARS, DETAIL THE TYPE OF ACTIVITIES PERFORMED, DEGREE OF RESPONSIBILITIES, LOCATION OF ASSIGNMENTS AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE CONSIDERED PERTINENT FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT.]
	[INSERT]
	[PROVIDE NAMES, ADDRESSES, PHONE AND EMAIL CONTACT INFORMATION FOR TWO (2) REFERENCES]

	REFERENCE 1:
REFERENCES	[INSERT]
	REFERENCE 2:
	[INSERT]

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, these data correctly describe my qualifications, my experiences, and other relevant information about myself.

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Signature of Personnel

Date (Day/Month/Year)

#### FORM F: FINANCIAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services for [Insert Title of services] in accordance with your Request for Proposal No. [Insert RFP Reference Number] and our Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal and our Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelope.

Our attached Financial Proposal is for the sum of [Insert amount in words and figures].

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

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

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

[Stamp with official stamp of the Bidder]

# FORM G: FINANCIAL PROPOSAL FORM

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
RFP reference:	[Insert RFP Reference Number]		

The Bidder 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 Bidders. Any Financial information provided in the Technical Proposal shall lead to Bidder's disqualification.

The Financial Proposal should align with the requirements in the Terms of Reference and the Bidder's Technical Proposal.

#### Table 1: Summary of Overall Prices

	Amount(s)
Professional Fees	All Bidders shall quote only one price

Other Costs (If any)	
Total Amount of Financial Proposal	
(Monthly & Yearly separately)	