

Date: 22 September 2022 Date: 10 October 2022 (1st extension)

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION RFQ № UNFPA/VNM/RFQ/22/12

Dear Sir/Madam,

UNFPA hereby solicits a quotation for the following service:

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR CONDUCTING AN END-LINE STUDY OF THE PROJECT ON SON PREFERENCE AND GENDER BIASED SEX SELECTION (GBSS)

UNFPA requires the provision of consultancy services for conducting an end-line study of the project on son preference and gender biased sex selection (GBSS).

This Request for Quotation is open to all legally-constituted companies that can provide the requested services and have legal capacity to perform in Viet Nam, or through an authorized representative.

I. About UNFPA

UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), is an international development agency that works to deliver a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every child birth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled.

UNFPA is the lead UN agency that expands the possibilities for women and young people to lead healthy sexual and reproductive lives. To read more about UNFPA, please go to: <u>UNFPA about us</u>

Service Requirements/Terms of Reference (TOR): See Annex II

II. Questions

Questions or requests for further clarifications should be submitted in writing to the contact person below:

Name of contact person at UNFPA:	Nguyen Minh Ha
Tel №:	84-24-38500 328
Email address of contact person:	mnguyen@unfpa.org

The deadline for submission of questions is **17h00 Tuesday 18 October 2022 (Ha Noi Time).** Questions will be answered in writing and shared will parties as soon as possible after this deadline.

III. Content of quotations

Quotations should be submitted in a single email whenever possible, depending on file size. Quotations must contain 2 separate files:

- a) **Technical proposal**, in response to the requirements outlined in the TORs.
- b) **Price quotation**, to be submitted in reference with the price quotation form.



Both parts of the quotation must be signed by the bidding company's relevant authority and submitted in PDF format.

IV. Instructions for submission

Proposals should be prepared based on the guidelines set forth in Section III above, along with a properly filled out and signed price quotation form, and are to be sent by email to the UNFPA Viet Nam's secured email address <u>vbidtender@unfpa.org</u> no later than <u>Thursday, 27 October 2022 at 15:00 PM Ha Noi</u> <u>Time]</u>¹.

Please note the following guidelines for electronic submissions:

The following reference must be included in the email subject line:

RFQ Nº UNFPA/VNM/RFQ/22/12 - [Company Name]

Proposals, including both technical and financial proposals, that do not contain the correct email subject line may be overlooked by the procurement officer and therefore not considered.

- The total email size may not exceed 20 MB (including email body, encoded attachments and headers).
 Where the technical details are in large electronic files, it is recommended that these be sent separately before the deadline.
- Any quotation submitted will be regarded as an offer by the bidder and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of any quotation by UNFPA. UNFPA is under no obligation to award a contract to any bidder as a result of this RFQ.

V. Overview of Evaluation Process

The evaluation will be carried out in a two-step process by an ad-hoc evaluation panel. Technical proposals will be evaluated and scored first, prior to the evaluation and scoring of price quotations

Technical Evaluation

Technical proposals will be evaluated based on their responsiveness to the service requirements /TORs listed in Annex II and in accordance with the evaluation criteria below (see details in Annex III).

Criteria	[A] Maximum Points	[B] Points attained by Bidder	[C] Weight (%)	[B] x [C] = [D] Total Points
The firm's general reliability as well as experience and capacity in carry out the endline survey in 4 provinces: Bac Giang and Ba Ria – Vung Tau provinces and two control provinces namely Hoa Binh and Binh Phuoc	100		30%	
Understanding of the terms of reference	100		10%	
Response to the TOR key interventions with concrete plan	100		40%	
Response to the TOR with the quality of service	100		20%	
Grand Total All Criteria	400		100%	

¹ <u>http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/city.html?n=69</u> UNFPA/VNM/RFQ/22/12



The following scoring scale will be used to ensure objective evaluation:

Degree to which the Terms of Reference requirements are met based on evidence included in the Bid submitted	Points out of 100	
Significantly exceeds the requirements	90 - 100	
Exceeds the requirements	80 – 89	
Meets the requirements	70 – 79	
Partially meets the requirements	1 – 69	
Does not meet the requirements or no information provided to assess compliance with the requirements	0	

Financial Evaluation

Price quotes will be evaluated only for bidders whose technical proposals achieve a minimum score of 70% in the technical evaluation.

Price quotes will be evaluated based on their responsiveness to the price quote form. The maximum number of points for the price quote is 100, which will be allocated to the lowest total price provided in the quotation. All other price quotes will receive points in inverse proportion according to the following formula:

Financial score = Quote being scored (\$) X 100 (Maximum score)

Total score

The total score for each proposal will be the weighted sum of the technical score and the financial score. The maximum total score is 100 points.

Total score = [70%] Technical score + [30%] Financial score

VI. Award Criteria

In case of a satisfactory result from the evaluation process, UNFPA intends to award a Professional Service Contract on a fixed-cost basis to the Bidder that obtain the highest total score.

VII. Right to Vary Requirements at Time of Award

UNFPA reserves the right at the time of award of contract to increase or decrease by up to 20% the volume of services specified in this RFQ without any change in unit prices or other terms and conditions.

VIII. Payment Terms

UNFPA payment terms are net 30 days upon receipt of invoice and delivery/acceptance of the milestone deliverables linked to payment as specified in the contract.



IX. Fraud and Corruption

UNFPA is committed to preventing, identifying, and addressing all acts of fraud against UNFPA, as well as against third parties involved in UNFPA activities. UNFPA's policy regarding fraud and corruption is available here: <u>Fraud Policy</u>. Submission of a proposal implies that the Bidder is aware of this policy.

Suppliers, their subsidiaries, agents, intermediaries and principals must cooperate with the UNFPA Office of Audit and Investigations Services as well as with any other oversight entity authorized by the Executive Director and with the UNFPA Ethics Advisor as and when required. Such cooperation shall include, but not be limited to, the following: access to all employees, representatives agents and assignees of the vendor; as well as production of all documents requested, including financial records. Failure to fully cooperate with investigations will be considered sufficient grounds to allow UNFPA to repudiate and terminate the Agreement, and to debar and remove the supplier from UNFPA's list of registered suppliers.

A confidential Anti-Fraud Hotline is available to any Bidder to report suspicious fraudulent activities at <u>UNFPA</u> <u>Investigation Hotline</u>.

X. Zero Tolerance

UNFPA has adopted a zero-tolerance policy on gifts and hospitality. Suppliers are therefore requested not to send gifts or offer hospitality to UNFPA personnel. Further details on this policy are available here: <u>Zero</u> <u>Tolerance Policy</u>.

XI. RFQ Protest

Bidder(s) perceiving that they have been unjustly or unfairly treated in connection with a solicitation, evaluation, or award of a contract may submit a complaint to the UNFPA Head of the Business Unit [Ms. Naomi Kitahara, UNFPA Viet Nam Representative at <u>kitahara@unfpa.org</u>]. Should the supplier be unsatisfied with the reply provided by the UNFPA Head of the Business Unit, the supplier may contact the Chief, Procurement Services Branch at <u>procurement@unfpa.org</u>.

XII. Disclaimer

Should any of the links in this RFQ document be unavailable or inaccessible for any reason, bidders can contact the Procurement Officer in charge of the procurement to request for them to share a PDF version of such document(s).



PRICE QUOTATION FORM

Name of Bidder:	
Date of the quotation:	Click here to enter a date.
Request for quotation Nº:	UNFPA/VNM/RFQ/22/12
Currency of quotation :	VND
Delivery charges based on the following 2020 Incoterm:	Choose an item.
Validity of quotation: (The quotation must be valid for a period of at least 3 months after the submission deadline	

• Quoted rates must be inclusive of all taxes.

Example Price Schedule below: [The table columns should be modified as appropriate for specific services]

Item	Description	Number & Description of Staff by Level	Daily Rate	Days to be Committed	Total Amount (VND)
1. Pr	1. Professional Fees				
	Total Professional Fees VND				
2. Out-of-Pocket expenses					
Total Out of Pocket Expenses				ket Expenses	VND
Total				VND	
(Professional Fees + Out of Pocket Expenses)					
VAT				VND	
Total Contract Price (including VAT)				VND	

Vendor's Comments:

I hereby certify that the company mentioned above, which I am duly authorized to sign for, has reviewed RFQ UNFPA/VNM/RFQ/22/12 including all annexes, amendments to the RFQ document (if applicable) and the responses provided by UNFPA on clarification questions from the prospective service providers. Further, the company accepts the General Conditions of Contract for UNFPA and we will abide by this quotation until it expires.

	Click here to enter a date.	
Name and title	Date and place	



ANNEX I:

General Conditions of Contracts: De Minimis Contracts

This Request for Quotation is subject to UNFPA's General Conditions of Contract: De Minimis Contracts, which are available in: <u>English</u>, <u>Spanish</u> and <u>French</u>

ANNEX II: Terms of Reference

ANNEX III: Technical bid evaluation criteria

ANNEX IV: Price Quotation Form