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Embassy of Sweden Maputo

Reference number: Reference no

Invitation to direct award procurement

Contracting authority:	Embassy of Sweden Maputo
Contact person:	Paulo Júnior
Questions	Questions are sent to the e-mail address below. Last day for questions is 20 October 2023.
Last date to submit a tender:	26 October 2023
Send the tender:	ambassaden.maputo@gov.se
The tender shall be valid until	90 days from the last date to tender
Evaluation method	The economically most advantageous tender

Specification of the assignment/service

Sweden's development cooperation in Mozambique is guided by the strategy for Sweden's Development Cooperation with Mozambique, 2022 – 2026 ("the Strategy"). The objective of Sweden's international development cooperation is to create conditions to improve the lives of people living in poverty and oppression. Sweden's development cooperation will be based on the principles of aid and development effectiveness, the 2030 Agenda, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, and the Paris Agreement. The Strategy consists of four support areas:

- 1. Environment, climate, and sustainable use of natural resources,
- 2. Human rights, democracy, rule of law and gender equality,
- 3. Inclusive Economic Development and,
- 4. Peaceful and inclusive societies.

Sweden also supports capacity building within research and higher education in Mozambique. The operationalization of the Sweden's development cooperation strategy in Mozambique (2022- 2026) defined Niassa as a one of geographic

priority area. Sweden has a long experience of working in Niassa, which gives Sweden a strong advantage.

For Niassa, the Embassy of Sweden intends to develop a programmatic approach that integrates several support programmes that contribute to development indicators of the province, in the following areas of support (following the result areas of the Strategy): biodiversity and conservation, access to energy, strengthened formal and informal civil society, social protection, job creation, sexual reproductive and health rights, access to basic services and spatial planning and housing. The Embassy of Sweden understand for the success of the above programmatic approach support and maintain sustainability in a long term, it is vital to improve the provincial and district capacity for planning and budget management in line with the deconcentrated public financial management (PFM) system.

Within Niassa province the Swedish programmatic approach support is intended to target into four districts (Metarica, Maua, Marrupa and Nipepe), identified in dialogue with the local authorities, as well as coordinating with the Executive body of decentralized Provincial Government and the State deconcentrated Services.

Some contributions such as BRILHO contribution aiming to stimulate private sector delivery of quality and affordable off-grid energy products and services to improve the lives of low-income people in Mozambique initiated their operations in the beginning of 2023 but the majority is in either in inception phase or will start during the remaining months of 2023. BRILHO is a programme implemented by SNV, funded by the UK Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) and the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) over five years (2019-2024), with positive and promising progress achieved by mid-2022, and seeking additional support from Sida to further strengthen and scale its contribution to the off-grid energy sector development in the Niassa Province.

In order to ensure an efficient start of the contributions as well as the programmatic approach, including the collaboration with provincial and district authorities and other development partners, the Embassy has identified the need to contract a consultant for the critical first months.

For further information, please see the attached terms of reference.

Time-plan

The assignment is for a maximum of 90 working days with no chance of extension.

The assignment is expected to commence as soon as possible after the finalization of the procurement.

The tender shall include:

- 1. Suggested personnel for the assignment, and short explanation of suggested persons suitability for the assignment
- 2. Short description of how the assignment will be designed and implemented (Method);
- 3. Time-plan and costs for the assignment.

References to information in the form of links to web pages and unsolicited attachments will not be considered to constitute part of the tender and will not be taken into account in the review and evaluation of the tender.

Evaluation of tenders

Contract will be awarded to the most economically advantageous tender, as determined according to the following basis:

Best price-quality ratio.

The examination of submitted tenders will be carried out based on the technical and price criteria stated below. Maximum points for all criteria are 100.

The tenderer with the highest total points, will be awarded the contract.

	Criteria	Max point/criteria
1.	Teams suitability	40
2.	Appropriate method	15
3.	Appropriate Time-plan	15
	Total max point technical criteria	70

Evaluation criteria for this procurement are:

The scale of grades that will be used when assessing the criteria (except price evaluation) are:

The number of points that can be awarded	Poor ¹	0 %
under each of the technical evaluation	Not entirely	
criteria. For example, if a maximum of 20	satisfactory ²	40 %
points can be awarded for a given criterion,	Satisfactory ³	60 %
"Good" will mean	Good ⁴	80 %
$0.8 \ge 20 = 16$ points.	Very Good ⁵	100 %
(In the evaluation, the levels (in %) will have		
fixed values, which means that there will be		
no intermediate values).		

¹ Not addressed or not sufficient

² Sufficient in some aspects but not as a whole

³ Sufficient but lacks substantial advantages or has uneven quality

⁴ Adequate and well suited to the purpose

⁵ Gives added value and shows high quality on the whole

Minimum score to proceed to price-evaluation	The tender must achieve a minimum of 45points as a condition for further price evaluation
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Price-evaluation

Price will be assessed according to the following model:

The tenderer that submitted the lowest tender price achieves maximal price points. The other tenderers achieve points according to percentage difference between the individual tender price and tender with the lowest price.

Price point = (Lowest tender price / Individual tender price) * Max point price criterion

	Criterion	Max point/criterion
4.	Cost of the assignment	30
	Total max point price criterion	30

Decision regarding contract award

All tenderers will be informed of the decision regarding the contract awarded by email.

Enclosure 1: Terms of reference Enclosure 2: Contract Enclosure 3: Sida's General Conditions for Framework Agreements and Contracts 2022