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Questions and Answers (3 questions)

during the tender process for Consultancy Services for creating a Program Document on upgrading the hydro-meteorological network and database for small-scale hydro power in Guinea and Sierra Leone

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ECREEE created the present Q&A document in order to answer relevant questions from all tender participants. The Q&A document will be updated regularly and sent to all tender participants.

Question 1: Number of contract days

In the text a contract period of 3.5 months (tentatively) are mentioned whereas the table sums up 16 weeks. How does this go together?

Answer from ECREEE: The contract period shall be 3.5 months. The required working days shall be much less than 80 working days, as there are several periods when ECREEE needs to approve or validate documents and the consultant has to wait. The consultant shall feel free to offer the necessary time he or she needs for finally getting a program document.

Question 2: Identification of locations with high SSHP potential

Under Task 3 the following is mentioned: The Program Document should include “minimum hydrometric network setup...including selected locations with high SSHP potential”. To know such “selected locations with high SSHP potential” they would have to be identified by site visits. Such site visits would require significant time and other resources (local transport etc.). Do you expect the Consultant to do such site visits, or is the identification of high potential sites expected to be done based on former studies, maps, available data and information (without field trips)?

Answer from ECREEE: It is not expected the consultant to do such site visits, only if the location is easily accessible and time is left in the mission. ECREEE welcomes the preliminary identification of such sites on existing documents. In any case, the program document shall respond to the need how to create a minimum hydrometric network setup and enable the future program implementers to identify selected locations with high SS HP potential by creating the necessary structure, set-up, skills, partners and budget for these locations.

Question 3: Financial proposal

Related to question 2: should the financial proposal provide for travelling upcountry (especially for site identification), or does ECREEE expect the consultant to mainly cooperate and collect information and data with relevant stakeholders and organisations in Freetown and Conakry? ECREEE might answer that applicants should propose an appropriate methodology to achieve the objective as described but the two approaches would have quite different financial implications and might not both fit to the available budget.

In case field visits should be provided for, will local staff (from Ministry or other stakeholders) be available to accompany the Consultant (on their own cost)?

Answer from ECREEE: The financial proposal shall provide the basis to collect information and data with relevant stakeholders and organisations in Freetown and Conakry. If stakeholders are close to these capitals they also can be met, otherwise phone conferences shall be used to get additional data and information. The consultant can suggest further visits which need travelling upcountry as optional task/budget.

As field visits are not planned within these ToR, local staff will not need to be available for accompanying. Later, when starting the program, of course field visits will get necessary.

