

CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

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To: Interested Service Providers
Contact: Procurement Unit (procurement@sprep.org)

Subject: Request for tenders (RFT): Technical Case Study on Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic (PV) system in Tuvalu

Question 1:

Please confirm whether the consultant is expected to:

1. Develop the testing methodology and identify parameters based on previous data, consultations, and literature review? or
2. Actively conduct and/or commission new water sampling and accredited laboratory testing as part of this assignment.

Response:

The consultant may develop the testing methodology and parameters based on the review of previous data, reports and relevant literature and also findings from the stakeholders' consultations. But, it is necessary that the Consultant to/may conduct and/or commission new water sampling and accredited laboratory testing as part of this assignment. So, we can compare the results.

Question 2:

For teams that is based outside of Tuvalu, it would be helpful to understand:

Whether SPREP or the Government of Tuvalu has an existing partner or accredited laboratory for water quality analysis?

Response:

SPREP or the Government of Tuvalu do not have any currently active partnership with any accredited laboratory specifically designated for water quality analysis. However, Samoa does have an accredited water quality laboratory known as the Scientific Research Organization of Samoa (SROS). SPREP previously had a partnership arrangement with SROS, but this agreement has since expired and is no longer in effect. Bidders may choose to use SROS for water quality analysis at their own discretion.

Question 3:

Whether the consultant is responsible for identifying and contracting a laboratory?

Response:

Yes, the consultant will be responsible for identifying, procuring and managing services from an accredited laboratory to undertake the required water quality analysis.

Question 4:

Whether sampling activities are expected to be undertaken directly by the consultant?

Response:

Yes, sampling activities are to be taken directly by the Consultant as part of the assignment.

Question 5:

Will there be any local logistical support for sampling that will be provided?

Response:

Yes, the Tuvalu team will provide support