

CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

RFT: 2026-030
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To: Interested Service Providers
Contact: Procurement Unit (procurement@sprep.org)

Subject: Request for tenders (RFT): Assessment and Evaluation of Niue's National Funding Arrangements in relation to Financing for Loss and Damage

Question 1:

Could SPREP confirm whether this assignment should focus on:

- (i) Assessing Niue's Treasury/PFM readiness to hold fiduciary custody of funds directly, which is most relevant under Modality B, and/or
- (ii) Niue's institutional readiness to serve as an executing partner under an access entity's fiduciary custody, which is most relevant under Modality C?

This affects the scope of the eligibility criteria assessment (TOR 3.1.2) and the recommendations section (TOR 3.1.4).

Response:

Please focus on both.

Question 2:

Could SPREP confirm the source of funding for this consultancy under the LDCC project? We understand the broader LDCC project is funded by the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) and would like to confirm this applies to this specific consultancy for the purposes of our conflict-of-interest declaration.

Response:

Yes, the source of funding is from NZ MFAT through the LDCC Project

Question 3:

The evaluation criteria vi) require the tenderer to have the Capacity to receive guidance from SPREP, as well as the Advisory committee in undertaking this work. Could SPREP please elaborate on the type of evidence required to fulfill this criterion? Would specific milestones to receive guidance and feedback included within the Workplan be sufficient?

Response:

Inclusion in Workplan is fine. To fulfil evaluation criteria please provide example/s of responding to guidance and demonstrating flexibility in regards to meeting the needs of a task/report/project.

Question 4:

Could you please confirm if the proposed project duration of 60 days refers to 60 working days, calendar days or consultant days, when is the tender evaluation process expected to be completed and when is the project expected to start? How long does it usually take for SPREP and PMCU to approve deliverables of this nature?

Response:

60 days in workdays. These do not need to be consecutive. Please leave 3-4 weeks for SPREP and PMCU to approve deliverables.

Question 5:

Is there an expectation for the consultant to present the findings to key stakeholders during a virtual session? Or do you only require the MS PowerPoint slides?

Response:

There is a possibility a presentation will be deemed necessary. This is not certain at this point.

Question 6:

Could you please share the maximum budget allocated for this consultancy?

Response:

Please provide your own appropriate costing based on TOR and number of days. This a competitive process and all bids will be assessed based of best value for money.

Question 7:

Can consulting firms submit a proposal or are you looking for an individual consultant?

Response:

Firms (identify lead consultant and team composition) or individuals can apply