ANSWERS TO CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

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To: Interested suppliers
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Subject: Request for tenders: Consultancy to Develop a Sustainability Plan for SPREPs Regional Programme of Support for Protected Areas (SPREP- PA), Readvertisement

Question 1:
From the last process and clarification of questions, I noted:

• Budget was max of USD 15,000 (AUD20,000)
• Expectation of 80 days input.

Is this still the case?

Response:
The budget for this work has now increased, however, the timeframe of 80 days input (20 working days per month x 4 months) remains unchanged.

Question 2:
Is it anticipated that there will be a subsequent phase of BIOPAMA after the current phase ends in mid-2023, or is it too early to tell?

Response:
At this point, it is confirmed that the current phase (phase two) of BIOPAMA will come to an end in mid-2023 and therefore, there will be no follow-on phase for BIOPAMA beyond mid-2023. Hence, this consultancy.

Question 3:
Duration is four months: is this expected to be full time? ie. 22 working days/month x 4 = approximately 88 days?

Response:
No, not full time. This consultancy is based on 20 working days per month (excluding weekends) – so, 80 days in total.
**Question 4:**
Regarding the financial proposal, do you require a daily fee rate? Or lump sum for the entire project, itemised by cost type?

**Response:**
The latter – provide a lump sum figure and an itemised breakdown for all tasks outlined in the consultancy TOR.

**Question 5:**
I have developed a number of institutional and regional strategic plans for protected area authorities- that include all elements required (e.g. HR restructuring, financing etc.) and have developed numerous sustainable financing and conservation strategies for protected areas across developing countries, I have a PhD in an environmental related field and a certificate in business and sustainable financing for protected areas – would you accept this experience and PhD in lieu of a business related postgraduate degree that specifies is required?

**Response:**
Yes. We would consider such experience for this consultancy.

**Question 6:**
You mention a 4 month time-frame, could you please indicate the expected start month?

**Response:**
The consultancy is expected to commence by the end of this month (July) or by early August.

**Question 7:**
Do you have a maximum budget that you will consider for this assignment?

**Response:**
Refer Question 1