

**T43/11/22: IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF THE SOCIAL EMPLOYMENT FUND**

**Question and Answers Version 1**

| No. | Question  | Type       | Answer   |
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| 1   | Please may I get clarity on this point under Purpose of the Evaluation.<br>"3.1.3 Trace the study in respect of participants post the implementation of the respective work programmes"<br>Does this mean one has to do a tracer study as well?           | Technical  | Yes. Bidder are required to do a tracer study.   |
| 2   | Kindly confirm that the closing date for the attached tender with reference number T43/11/22 has been moved from the 15th November 2022 to the 30th November 2022.  | Commercial | Yes. Closing date for this tender has been extended to 30 November 2022.   |
| 3   | The experience of the team leader of the project in Section 5.1.3 states that they should have a post-graduate qualification in a monitoring and evaluation related field. How broadly is 'related field' defined in this case?                           | Technical  | Related fields should include any of the following:<br>•Project Management<br>•Audit – either finance or performance audits<br>•Monitoring and Reporting<br>•Knowledge Management<br>•Research<br>•Statisticians.  |
| 4   | The RFP indicates that the programme will be operational until March 2024. What is the review period that you would like the impact assessment to focus on?   | Technical  | The programme will run until March 2024, however there will be review periods linked to different programme cycles in respect of Open Calls for proposals, Work Programmes Completed, and the cohorts of participants linked to these.   |
| 5   | Are you able to provide a guideline with regards to your expectation and/or limitations with conducting in-person site visits to each of the SIPs as part of the impact assessments.  | Technical  | Sites are located throughout the nine (9) provinces, in rural, peri-urban, and urban areas. The service provider, as the expert, should guide the IDC as to how many sites to visit to give sufficient coverage. There are no specific limitations to visiting sites. A list of SIPs and the number of sites has also been shared on the IDC website and etenders website. The service provider must, based on their experience, suggest the number of sites to visit. |
| 6   | In the purpose of the evaluation statement, you indicate that one of the requirements is for the service provide to outline/define key indicators with metrics that the IDC can utilise to measure, track, and report on the impact of the SEF Programme. | Technical  |  |
|     | Is the IDC requiring the service provider to assess impact of the programme so far and design an M&E framework for the programme going forward? Please confirm that this statement constitutes two deliverables.  |            | Yes. The statement does indeed constitute two (2) deliverables.  |
|     | Aside from the Kwantu tool, do you currently have any other reporting metrics in place internally or as part of your contracting with the SIPs that can be used as a basis for delivering on this requirement?  |            | Each SIP has their own M&E tool. Data could be harvested from these tools. Each SIP has contracted work programme specific outputs which are tracked and reported to the IDC on a monthly basis.   |
| 7   | Are you able to provide a guideline with regards to your expectation for tracking participants post the implementation of the respective work programmes. Specifically:   | Technical  |  |
|     | Do you have data on work programmes that have been completed already?   |            | No programmes have been completed as yet, however SIPs report to the IDC on a monthly basis. Data can be harvested from these reports.   |
|     | Is there a target number/ percentage of participants you would like to reach?   |            | The target is to sustain 50,000 work opportunities until March 2024.   |
|     | What specific data points are important for you to gather?  |            | These have been outlined in the RFP.   |
|     | How far beyond implementation do you require the tracing of participants?   |            | Tracing is envisaged to be up to six (6) months after completion of the respective work programmes. If service providers feel a longer period is required, they are welcome to suggest.  |
| 8   | Project implementation team : Are you open to the inclusion of unemployed graduates as project team members, so that they can learn how to conduct these types of research and impact evaluation projects firsthand as work experience?                   | Technical  | This will be informed by the respective bidders' project work plans and the associated costs.  |
| 9   | Please share the list of twenty-eight (28) SIPs.  | Technical  | The SIPs have been shared. Please refer to the IDC website and etenders website.   |
| 10  | Please share the worksites across South Africa where these SIPs operate. This is important for sampling purposes.   | Technical  | The worksites have been shared. Please refer to the IDC website and etenders website.  |
| 11  | Please share the number of beneficiaries/participants for each SIP, also for sampling purposes.   | Technical  | The beneficiaries/participants have been shared. Please refer to the IDC website and etenders website.   |
| 12  | Could you please share a budget range?  | Commercial | National Treasury regulations prohibit the IDC from sharing budget information with any service provider.  |