

Tender Number: T16/03/24

Tender description: APPOINTMENT OF A CONSULTANT TO SUPPORT IDC IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN FACILITY FOR GREEN GROWTH (SAFGG)

Question and Answers version 1

No.	Question	Type	Answer
1	<p>Please define "assist" in more detail – does this include all/any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Identify possible qualifying projects and assemble in a pipeline o Review/analysis of financial models and other commercial criteria o Assess funding requirement from a commercial perspective o Provide recommendation to investment committee o Red flag Due Diligence on projects 	Technical	<p>This refers to "Assist IDC with development of a project pipeline, if required, to ensure that funds under the SAFGG can be allocated within the defined facility timeframe</p> <p>The above items are all included, except providing recommendations to the investment committee. That will be handled by the IDC deal team. On all other listed items, The IDC will work with the assistance of the appointed consultant.</p>
2	Does this point refer to a review on commercial/financial criteria or ESG related criteria or both?	Technical	This refers to very simple commercial/financial criteria, technical criteria (demonstrating a CO2 saving or water resource saving), and ESG criteria (EHS and IFC performance standards, World Bank general and specific performance standards, as well as ESIA). An application tool which consists of an excel document with dropdown menus and simple questions is designed to facilitate the process, and will be made available to the appointed consultant.
3	Does this function include commercial/financial monitoring and reporting?		We will require a fully-fledged monitoring and evaluation process. Even though we do have ways within the IDC, it would be to the benefit of the SAFGG to have added layers of M&E, covering all aspects.
4	Is this assistance limited to ESG related support or does this include technical, commercial and financial support?	Technical	Support shall include all topics. IDC will have a technical resource and a EHS resource as conact points to work closely with the consultant.
5	We would like to have access to the KfW simulation tool, prior to the provision of our BID response. Or at least additional information regarding the context, data requirements, operation and integration of systems, etc.	Technical	As this tool consists of the intellectual property of KfW it is a product which is not publically-available or shared. It may only be available in the context of the contract signed with the appointed consultant. However, the calculations which this tool uses are based on the methodologies and data described in the document, titled "International Financial Institution (IFI) Framework for a Harmonized Approach to Greenhouse Gas Accounting" published by the United Nations Climate Change (UNFCCC secretariat - United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change). This documentation is available at the following website: IFI TWG - List of methodologies UNFCCC
6	Similarly, we would like to have access to the IDC risk tool, prior to the provision of our BID response. Or at least additional information to inform our proposal	Technical	The IDC risk tool will only be shared with the appointed consultant
7	Please confirm what data sets are in place for monitoring, and where this data sits	Technical	Will only be shared wiuth the appointed consultant.
8	Please confirm if this project is ring fenced from the rest of the IDC loan book from a reporting point of view, or is it an integrated reporting system required into the rest of IDCs monitoring systems?	Technical	The project is ring fenced from the IDC loan book and will have its separate reporting. The IDC will handle final intergation into our overall reporting. The IDC will hamdle final intergation into our overall reporting.
9	Is the IT interface into SAP part of the brief?	Technical	No, this will be handled by IDC IT team, as we use SAP and various interfaces.
10	Please confirm what is meant by "assist" on the Due Diligence - is the intention for the consulting team to fulfil all requirements of the Due Diligence assessment, e.g. review of the VDR, interviews, site visit, assessment against a reference framework, development of the ESAP. OR will the consulting team fulfil some other supporting role? Please be clear on number of sites, site visits, etc, if applicable	Technical	Consultant will work together woth IDC team on DD and assisty where any gaps are identified to enhance the DD process. Focus moslty on ESDD.
11	Please confirm the number of users for training, the planned resourcing model for training, and any other requirements.	Technical	The consultant to propose a training approach on the updated ESMS, and implement training. Additionally, the consultant should arrange, and prepare materials for the training activities and is expected to include workshop(s).

12	<p>The RFP has asked us to price for the resources mentioned.</p> <p>In the context of Task 1, is there a need for financial personnel to ensure the financial administration and reporting is fully compliant for the fund?</p> <p>Also, will there be a requirement for project managers who will manage a portfolio of investments/projects on an ongoing basis. Is there not a requirement to price for these and other personnel? Or does the IDC/KfW specifically require only the resources listed in the RFP in 5. Staffing?</p>	Technical	The cost model provides all that is required and includes disbursement and its breakdown. Please refer to it when pricing.
13	<p>In section 13. Returnable Schedules, 13.4 refers to "Schedule 3: response to section 3 of this document, in line with the format indicated in this RFP document" .</p> <p>When referring to section 3, it speaks to the costing proposal. 13.6 then goes on to state that the Schedule 4 is the price proposal and must be submitted separately. Are we expected to submit the pricing schedules twice as schedule 3 and then also separately as schedule 4?</p>	Admin	In the table of contents, Section 2 , refers to Functional Requirements specification which is linked to schedule 3, while section 3 is Price Proposal which links 13.6 and this (pricing schedules) is expected to be submitted separately
14	Section 13.5 asks for annexure 7 again (this is also requested in schedule 2, 13.3.8)	Admin	This is the same document that needs to be duly completed and signed.
15	In the context of section 2, task 3. Some of the reporting requirements laid out by KfW are financial in nature (reporting, KYC, evaluation of loan eligibility and DD) of however these skills are not listed in the request of required skills. Are these required to be part of the proposal specifically?	Technical	The bid document covers everything that is required.
16	For tasks 2 and 3, Is the availability of the staff expected to 100% utilised capacity over the 36 month period or are you expecting ad hoc services? There is reference to staff being "intermittent and available on demand", is this for the subject matter experts, or all staff assigned?	Technical	Staff being "intermittent and available on demand" is for everyone.
17	Under iv. staffing inputs and available budgets: the man days are shown as a minimum, is there a maximum number of days in order for us to quote and price on a range? This section also doesn't include any time for project management and reporting time.	Technical	<p>The IDC expects bidders to price with the minimum in mind and we are not able to give the maximum as this differs from bidder to bidder.</p> <p>Under the costing model note: bullet no. 2, disbursement, have been indicated to cover amongst other things reports and documents.</p>