Request for Proposal

From: Dr. Ahmed SENHOURY, Executive Director, PRCM
Subject: Socio-economic baseline study for the Blue Bijagós project, Guinea-Bissau
Project: Nº P00031
Date: 02/02/2024

I invite you to kindly send us your best offers of services according to the information shared in the attached Terms of Reference. Some key information on the process:

i) Purpose of the study

The purpose of this assignment is to get detailed information and baseline data for the Blue Bijagós project, regarding:

   a) customary rights of project affected communities/groups
   b) average income of women
   c) the necessities of households (as indicator to measure poverty/ Basic Necessities)
   d) attitude of households in the project area towards protection of marine biodiversity.

ii) Deadline and submission of offers:

Offers will comprise a technical offer (see ToR for specifications of the content) and a separate financial offer with a detailed calculation of the costs.

Your proposal must be sent by email to: prcm@prcmarine.org no later than January 25 at 5 p.m. The financial offer must be sent in a format Word, PDF or XLS protected by password. The password should be sent by email to Mr Bassaro SILIMANA (bassaro@prcmarine.org) on the day of the evaluation when asked by PRCM.

iii) Rules and condition for awarding the contract:

The selected provider will be chosen based on the best estimated quality of their service and the best price they will offer. The evaluation will be carried out in complete transparency following the offer evaluation grid in two stages:

   a) Evaluation of technical offers estimated at 70 % of the total score.
   b) Evaluation of financial offers estimated at 30 % of the total score.
It is therefore recommended that each candidate separate their technical offer from the financial one.

Offers will comprise:
- A technical offer containing an understanding of the mission, the methodological approach, the mission execution plan, the detailed Curriculum vitae of the consultants and references to similar studies already carried out, among others.
- A financial offer which must include the detailed costs

iv) Timeline research:

The field research should take place in February 2024; the final report should be sent to PRCM in March 2024.

v) Language or Reporting:

The final report must be written in two languages: Portuguese and French or English.

vi) Experience and skills of the consultant(s):

The consultant(s) should have the following knowledge and experience:
- In-depth knowledge of sustainable management of Marine Protected Areas in West Africa and the issues and risks at stake
- Strong experience in socio-economic studies
- Strong experience in stakeholder consultations with diverse groups
- Working/consultancy experience in West Africa
- Excellent writing (report writing in Portuguese and French or English) and time management.
- Proven track record in working confidently and constructively with a diverse international team

If the applicant is an international consultant, it is mandatory to partner with (a) local consultant(s), who will help the consultant with the field assessments and interviews.

A good gender balance in the team is stimulated.

We look forward to receiving your proposal.

Executive Director of PRCM
Dr. Ahmed SENHOURY