



CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

RFT: PWP-340-CON
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To: Interested Consultants
Contact: PWP Finance and Procurement Officer

Subject: Request for tenders (RFT): Support for the implementation of the Regional Data Collection and Monitoring Framework in 14 Pacific Island Countries and Timor-Leste.

1. In Section 5. Schedule of Work, the timeline groups the 15 countries into stages. Is this approach fixed - can the groups be rearranged, or can all countries be approached in parallel?

This is not fixed and can be rearranged in accordance to a logical workplan submitted by the consultant. While the grouping can be rearranged, PacWastePlus would prefer that the number of countries in each stage is kept to enable the team to effectively assess each country report.

2. Is the consultant expected to conduct waste composition audits as part of this project, or is the focus to carry out the training element for an in-country contact to then conduct the audits and relay the data back?

Consultant is expected to collect data for KPI with limited or no data. The consultant is to undertake this data collection with assistance from in-country personnel.

3. Are the in-country contacts for training (i.e. those who will receive training) to be delivered to already identified?

Yes – PacWaste Plus has identified agencies within each country from the regional suite of audits undertaken in 2020/2021.

4. Have the national focal point contacts for each country been identified and appraised of the project?

Yes – all national focal point participate in the Annual Steering Committee for PacWaste Plus whereby all project activities are presented and agreed upon. PacWaste Plus will be sending out letters to countries to provide information on this upcoming project.

5. Can you confirm that the Waste Audit Plan and activity is intended to guide countries in additional data collection rather than the consultant undertaking data collection in each country i.e. SPREP is not expecting the consultant to undertake waste audits in each country as part of the scope of work for this project?

SPREP expects the consultant to undertake waste audit for KPIs that has limited or no Data – additionally consultants are to ensure that there are local counterparts participations in these audits.



The Waste Audit Plan highlight how the consultant propose to undertake these audits (Work Schedule for the audit)

6. Can you confirm that the in-country facilitation is intended to be combined classroom and 'hands on' training explaining the framework and contributing data collection activity in each Country?
Is SPREP committed to in-country training in all 15 countries or is there potential to provide some combined training and facilitation to manage cost and timeline pressures?

Training is expected to be rolled out to all 15 countries and is a combination of 'hands on' and 'classroom' delivery. The main purpose of the individual country approach is to build in-country capacities for ongoing data collection and reporting as per the Waste DCMR Framework and Forms.

7. Given the gaps in baseline data, can SPREP comment on work completed to date to address baseline data gaps? Would it be reasonable to assume that while the project intends to address all gaps, SPREP recognises that gaps may remain following completion of this project.

SPREP is undertaking this project to support national and regional decision making on waste management by ensuring that all Core KPI identified in the DCMR Framework has sufficient data. Consultant are requested to express their ability to collect additional data and report against KPI with limited or no data with justifications.

8. Could you please confirm if non-conforming bids will be accepted?

Non-conforming bids is accepted and will be reviewed by the panel.