Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your Proposal for documentation of livelihood initiative for West Nile and Acholi under the development initiative for Northern Uganda (DINU-LEWA) Project intervention infrastructure and sites/groups meeting points. Documentation will be conducted in the locations of Arua, Terego, Koboko, Maracha, Yumbe, and Madi Okollo districts.

Please be guided by the Terms of Reference attached, in preparing your Proposal.

Proposals may be submitted before close of business on **29**<sup>th</sup> **July 2022** and via email, courier mail to the address below:

Attn. Eligious Singiza
DanChurchAid
Country Office
Human Rights House
Plot 1853, John Kiyingi Road, Nsambya
P.O BOX 11027, Kampala, Uganda
Tel: +256 392 265 594

Your Proposal must be expressed in the English language, and valid for a minimum period of 60 calendar days.

In the course of preparing your Proposal, it shall remain your responsibility to ensure that it reaches the address above on or before the deadline. Proposals that are received by DCA after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation. If you are submitting your Proposal by email, kindly ensure that they are signed and in the .pdf format, and free from any virus or corrupted files.

Services proposed shall be reviewed and evaluated based on completeness and compliance of the Proposal and responsiveness with the requirements of the Terms of Reference.

The Proposal that complies with all of the requirements, meets all the evaluation criteria, and offers the best value for money shall be selected and awarded the contract. Any offer that does not meet the requirements shall be rejected.

Any discrepancy between the unit price and the total price shall be re-computed by DCA, and the unit price shall prevail, and the total price shall be corrected. If the Service Provider does not accept the final price based on DCA's re-computation and correction of errors, its Proposal will be rejected.

No price variation due to escalation, inflation, fluctuation in exchange rates, or any other market factors shall be accepted by DCA after it has received the Proposal. At the time of Award of Contract or Purchase Order, DCA reserves the right to vary (increase or decrease) the quantity of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty-five per cent (25%) of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.

Any Contract or Purchase Order that will be issued as a result of this Terms of Reference shall be subject to the General Terms and Conditions and Code of Conduct for Contractors attached hereto. The

mere act of submission of a Proposal implies that the Service Provider accepts without question the DCA General Terms and Conditions and Conditions and Code of Conduct for Contractors, attached below.....

Please be advised that DCA is not bound to accept any Proposal, nor award a contract or Purchase Order, nor be responsible for any costs associated with a Service Providers preparation and submission of a Proposal, regardless of the outcome or the manner of conducting the selection process.

**DCA** encourages every prospective Service Provider to prevent and avoid conflicts of interest, by disclosing to DCA if you, or any of your affiliates or personnel, were involved in the preparation of the requirements, design, cost estimates, and other information used in this TOR.

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your Proposal.

Sincerely yours,





TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR DOCUMENTATION OF LIVELIHOODS INITIATIVE FOR WEST NILE AND ACHOLI UNDER THE DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE FOR NORTHERN UGANDA (DINU-LEWA) PROJECT INTERVENTION INFRASTRUCTURE AND SITES/GROUPS MEETING POINTS. THE DOCUMENTATION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE LOCATIONS OF ARUA, TEREGO, KOBOKO, MARACHA, YUMBE, AND MADI OKOLLO.

# **JUNE 2022**

# 1.0 Background of the Activity

With funding from the European Union (EU), and with the MoFEP (GOU) as the contracting authority; LWF and partners are implementing a 3-year DINU project; Livelihoods Initiative for West Nile and Acholi under the Development Initiative for Northern Uganda (DINU). The project is implemented in 9 districts by a consortium of three NGOs: Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Dan Church Aid (DCA), and Uganda Protestant Medical Bureau (UPMB) and a private sector company-Mukwano Group of Industries. The project aims at consolidating stability in Northern Uganda, eradicating poverty, undernutrition, and strengthening the foundation for sustainable and inclusive socio-economic development. After two years of project implementation, a number achievements have been registered. DCA intends to document a series of structures established by the project. Documentation of project achievements is key and as a result; the activities and interventions will be documented by producing a map showing where each of the structures is located for future references and use. Structures such as seedbanks, aggregation centers, health units, markets, water harvesting points, VSLA sitting points, collection points among others will be mapped respectively. All result areas will be covered. The result areas include; Result area 1: Increased production of diversified food among smallholder farmers. Result area 2: Increased market accessibility for smallholder farmers & other value chain. And Result area 3: Improved Maternal, Child Health & Nutrition. Upon completion of the mapping, the target audiences (viewers) will be extensively aware of the actual location in the different districts where different intervention were conducted and where they were being established.

# 2.0 Overall Goal of the Documentation Assignment.

The overall objective of the assignment is to produce a well-designed map containing the different locations where DINU-LEWA interventions have been completed, these will include different infrastructures and sites.

# 2.1 SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- To map all project infrastructure and sites across the districts of Yumbe, Koboko, Maracha, Arua, Terego, and Madi Okollo
- To produce map and file folders among other materials for future reference.
- Alongside mapping, quality photos of these structures and sites will be captured and documented respectively.

### 3.0 APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY.

The methodology to be used by the consultant/firm will vary depending on what the consultant/firm prefers to use while conducting the mapping. However, the following should be noted respectively.

- Mapping tools should be designed in Kobo collect.
- Competent enumerators should be hired to map out the structures in close collaboration with the community-based workers and key project assistants.
- The mapping should obtain both coordinates and photos of these structures.
- The maps should be designed using QGIS software.

# 3.1 SPECIFIC AREAS TO BE MAPPED.

Specific areas to be mapped will include but not be limited to the following;













<ol> <li>II Aggregation centers.</li> </ol>	Ι.	09 Latrines established.	l.	150 Seedbanks.		
2. 16 Valley Dams.	2.	54 Value addition points for the	2.	30 Youth groups meeting points within the		
3. 16 Health Units.		selected groups.		villages.		
4. 09 Market structures.	3.	16 IYCF corners.	3.	504 VSLA Meetings points within the villages.		
	4.	Cooperative groups and farmers	4.	120 Care group sitting points within the villages.		
		associations.	5.	54 Religious leaders' structures where they serve.		

A photo gallery will include, demonstration gardens, kitchen gardens, HH that received small ruminates, value addition equipment, certificates of success groups, breast feeding corners, among others.

#### **4.0 EXPECTED OUTPUTS**

- An inception report resulting from an inception meeting upon signing of the contract. It should contain detailed
  methodology, including planned timeframe, approach, protocols for data collection and analysis, ethics process to
  be followed, and mapping instruments and tools. A clear indication of how the mapping will be implemented in
  the context of COVID-19.
- 2. 12 (A.o and A.I) Quality print outs of the maps.
- 3. 600 file folders with photo galleries, showcasing different sites and infrastructure among others.
- 4. A real time online map showing all infographic details.
- 5. Consent forms for all photos of individuals taken.
- 6. Cleaned dataset of the mapping data.
- 7. A hard copy five to ten-page report of the mapping exercise showing the challenges, lessons learned, etc.
- 8. Either an online or physical validation workshop prior to production of the final maps and report.

# **5.0 MANAGEMENT AND ROLES**

- DCA will be responsible for provision of the required project documents for review, approval of inception report, review and discussion of the draft output, approval of the final outputs, payment for the consultancy, and dissemination of the output to key stakeholders.
- DCA will support the consultant in locating the different sites and infrastructure through the CFBs (Community Based Facilitator) though they will be facilitated by the consultant.
- The consultant is responsible for the design of the inception report, supervision, monitoring and coordination of all field data collection, any travel and logistics to the study sites, implementation, analysis, and reporting, in liaison with the project staff.
- The consultant will present and discuss preliminary findings during either an online or physical workshop with relevant DCA staff members.
- The consultant must not compromise the values of DCA and should adhere to the Guiding Principles for Documentation and DCA Code of Conduct for Contractors.

#### 5.1 SUPERVISION

• The consultant will be directly supervised by the DCA MEAL Coordinator, supported by the Communications Assistant and Project Manager.

# **6.0 REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- A minimum qualification of Masters degree in Geography or Geographic Information Systems, Surveying and extra qualification in Cartography. Or an equivalent of a bachelor's degree and relevant trainings, as well as post graduate studies in Geography or Geographic Information Systems, Surveying, etc.
- At least three years of experience in collection, analysis, and interpretation of geographic information provided by geodetic surveys, aerial photographs, and satellite data.
- Experience in preparation of maps and other spatial data in digital or graphic form for, social educational, and design purposes.





- At least three years of experience in working with Geographic Information Systems (GIS), design and evaluation of algorithms, data structures, and user interfaces for GIS and mapping systems.
- Demonstrable technical expertise in photography, conducting mapping exercises (collecting data). Designing
  mapping tools, designing maps and making quality printouts.
- Track record in developing and conducting qualitative and quantitative data collection, analysis and Reporting.
- · Ability to deliver agreed outputs on time and on budget,
- Ability to respond to comments and questions in a timely, professional manner,
- Ability to write high quality, clear, concise reports in English.
- Excellent and demonstrated understanding of ethical issues in documentation and ability to work on a common paper for peer review.
- Ability to work with communities in relevant local languages would be an advantage.
- Understanding of safeguarding and ethical issues and sensitivities required when working with vulnerable groups in conflict settings.
- Ability to establish strong working relationships with multiple stakeholders including local government leaders, youths, and women.
- Understanding of the Northern Ugandan (West Nile) context and experience working in host communities.
- Experience working on similar assignment.

\*Applications are encouraged from teams comprising of more than one person. In this instance, the specifications deemed "essential" do not have to be met by the whole External Documentation Team but met by at least one member of the team.

#### Timeframe.

The assignment is expected to take place from September and not exceeding November 2022, including preparation, fieldwork, report writing, design of maps and presentation of findings and recommendations from staff. The following plan serves as a guideline only for an indicative workplan. Consultant(s) are asked to provide a more detailed planning proposal.

# **Phases**

Phases	July	August	September	October	November
Procurement and contracting of a consultant.					
Inception Meeting					
Preparation, document analysis, consultations with Partners.					
Development of short inception report describing the mapping design as well as tools for use.					
Review of secondary data. (Annual report and project documents).					
Fieldwork mapping and photography.					
Data cleaning and analysis					
Drafting report and output material samples.					
Online workshop to Present the preliminary findings, online map visuals and compile feedback from participants.					













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Incorporation of feedback from participants into the final report and output.							
Finalizing the report and agreed upon outputs							
Submission of the final report, hard copy maps, real time softcopy maps and document folders.							

# **Payment Modality**

The consultant will receive 30% of the total payment upon submitting the inception report and approval by DCA and the remaining 70 % after the submission and approval of the final output and all deliverables required by DCA.

# 913 Proposal Submission Guidelines.

# To apply please send:

- I. A technical proposal clearly showing your understanding of the assignment, methodology, workplan and, a summary of qualifications.
- 2. A financial proposal including:
- Working days per documentation phase (inception, primary data collection; reporting
- Costs for any proposed travel (if applicable)
- Other costs (if applicable)
- The total budget (the proposal should include the fees of the evaluator(s) and the number of working days required.
- 3. CVs of the team outlining relevant skills and experience.
- 4. Recent certificate of good performance from previous assignments and/or a sample map of the most recent similar assignments should be submitted alongside the above requirements.

# Deadline: Friday 29th July 2022 - 16.00 East Africa Time.

The consultant is expected to be available to start the documentation in September 2022.

# Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Technical experience and expertise
- Quality and appropriateness of the proposed approach; alignment with the TOR
- Cost-effectiveness of the proposal.

# **Contact details**

For more information about the documentation assignment, please contact. George Okello <a href="mailto:geok@dca.dk">geok@dca.dk</a>, Eligious Singiza <a href="mailto:elsi@dca.dk">elsi@dca.dk</a> and Brenda Asemo <a href="mailto:bras@dca.dk">bras@dca.dk</a> the DCA Procurement and Logistics focal persons in Yumbe, Kampala and Arua.









# GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR SERVICE CONTRACTS – VER3 2020

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

In these general terms and conditions:

- a) "contract" is the agreement entered into by the Contracting Authority and the Contractor for the performance of the services described in the terms of reference, to which these general terms and conditions are made applicable; the contract is constituted of the documents listed in the Service Contract.
- The Contracting Authority's "partners" are the organisations to which the Contracting Authority is associated or linked;
- c) "personnel" is any person assigned by the Contractor to the performance of the services or any part hereof, whether through employment, sub-contracting or any other agreement; and "key experts" are those members of the personnel whose involvement is considered instrumental in the achievement of the contract objectives;
- d) "beneficiary country" is the country where the services are to be performed, or where the project to which the services relate is located.

#### 2. RELATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES

Nothing contained in the contract shall be construed as establishing a relation of master and servant or of agent and principal as between the Contracting Authority and the Contractor. Except if otherwise provided in the contract, the Contractor shall under no circumstances act as the representative of the Contracting Authority or give the impression that the Contractor has been given such authority. The Contractor has complete charge of the personnel and shall be fully responsible for the services performed by them.

#### 3. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The scope of the services including the methods and means to be used by the Contractor, the results to be achieved by him and the verifiable indicators are specified in the Terms of Reference. The Contractor shall be responsible for everything which is required for the performance of the services in accordance with what is specified in the contract, or which must otherwise be regarded as forming part of the services.

#### 4. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND RESPECT OF TRADITIONS

The Contractor shall respect and abide by all laws and regulations in force in the beneficiary country and shall ensure that its personnel, their dependants, and its local employees also respect and abide by all such laws and regulations. The Contractor shall indemnify the Contracting Authority against any claims and proceedings arising from any infringement by the Contractor, its personnel and their dependants of such laws and regulations.

The Contractor, its personnel and their dependents shall respect human rights and undertake not to offend the political, cultural and religious practices prevailing in the beneficiary country.

#### 5. CODE OF CONDUCT

The Contractor shall at all times act loyally and impartially and as a faithful adviser to the Contracting Authority and shall perform the services with due care, efficiency and diligence, in accordance with the best professional practice.

#### 6. DISCRETION AND CONFIDENTIALITY

The Contractor shall treat all documents and information received in connection with the contract as private and confidential, and shall not, save in so far as may be necessary for the purposes of the performance thereof, publish or disclose any particulars of the contract without the prior consent in writing of the Contracting Authority. It shall, in particular, refrain from making any public statements concerning the project or the services without the prior approval of the Contracting Authority,

#### 7. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contractor shall refrain from engaging in any activity which conflicts with his obligations towards the Contracting Authority under the contract.

The Contractor shall take all necessary measures to prevent or end any situation that could compromise the impartial and objective performance of the Contract. Such conflict of interests could arise in particular as a result

of economic interest, political or national affinity, family or emotional ties, or any other relevant connection or shared interest. Any conflict of interests which could arise during performance of the Contract must be notified in writing to the Contracting Authority without delay. The Contractor shall replace, immediately and without compensation from the Contracting Authority, any member of its personnel exposed to such a situation

#### 8. CORRUPT PRACTICES

The Contractor and the personnel shall refrain from performing, condoning or tolerating any corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices, whether such practices are in relation with the performance of the contract or not. "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value as an inducement or reward for doing or forbearing to do any act in relation to the contract or any other contract with the Contracting Authority, or for showing favour or disfavour to any person in relation to the contract or any other contract with the Contracting Authority.

The payments to the Contractor under the contract shall constitute the only income or benefit it may derive in connection with the contract and neither it nor its personnel shall accept any commission, discount, allowance, indirect payment or other consideration in connection with, or in relation to, or in discharge of, its obligations under the contract.

The execution of the contract shall not give rise to unusual commercial expenses. Unusual commercial expenses are commissions not mentioned in the contract or not stemming from a properly concluded contract referring to the contract, commissions not paid in return for any actual and legitimate service, commissions remitted to a tax haven, commissions paid to a recipient who is not clearly identified or commission paid to a company which has every appearance of being a front company.

The Contractor further warrants that no official of the Contracting Authority and/or their partner has received or will be offered by the Contractor any direct or indirect benefit arising from this Contract.

#### 9. JOINT VENTURE OR CONSORTIUM

If the Contractor is a joint venture or a consortium of two or more legal persons, all such persons shall be jointly and severally bound to fulfil the terms of the contract. The person designated by the joint venture or consortium to act on its behalf for the purposes of this contract shall have the authority to bind the joint venture or consortium.

For the purposes of performance of the contract, the joint venture or consortium shall act as, and be considered, a single person and in particular, shall have bank account opened in its name, shall submit to the Contracting Authority single guarantees if required, and shall submit single invoices and single reports.

The composition of the joint venture or a consortium shall not be altered without the prior written consent of the Contracting Authority.

#### 10. SPECIFICATIONS AND DESIGNS

The Contractor shall prepare all specifications and designs using accepted and generally recognised systems acceptable to the Contracting Authority and taking into account the latest design criteria.

#### 11. INFORMATION

The Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Authority, or any person authorised by the Contracting Authority with any information relating to the services and the project as the Contracting Authority may at any time request.

#### 12. REPORTS

The frequency, deadlines, format and contents of the reports to be drawn up by the Contractor in relation to the performance of the contract shall be described in the Terms of Reference.

#### 13. CONTRACTOR'S PERSONNEL

13.1. The Contractor shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced personnel as are required to carry out the services, and the Contractor shall be responsible for the quality of the personnel.

The names, outputs, duties and CVs of key experts and the titles, job descriptions, minimum qualifications, estimated periods of engagement in the carrying out of the services of each of the personnel and key experts are described in the Organisation and Methodology part of the contract. The Contractor must inform the Contracting Authority of all non-expert personnel it intends to use for the implementation of the contract. The Contracting Authority shall have the right to oppose the Contractor's choice of personnel.

- 13.2. No changes shall be made in the personnel without the prior consent of the Contracting Authority. The Contractor shall provide a replacement with at least equivalent qualifications and experience and acceptable to the Contracting Authority if:
- a) on account of death, sickness or accident, a member of the Personnel is unable to continue providing his services,
- b) any member of the personnel is found by the Contracting Authority to be incompetent in discharging or unsuitable for the performance of his duties under the Contract,
- c) for any reasons beyond the control of the Contractor, it becomes necessary to replace any member of the Personnel.

The request for replacement must be made in writing and state the reason therefore. The Contractor shall proceed swiftly with the request and propose a replacement with at least equivalent qualifications and experience. The remuneration to be paid to the replacement cannot exceed that received by the replaced member of the personnel.

Failure by the Contractor to propose a replacement for a key expert satisfactory to the Contracting Authority, shall give the right to the Contracting Authority to terminate the contract.

Additional costs arising out of a replacement shall be borne by the Contractor.

#### 13.3. Working hours

The days and hours of work of the Contractor or/and its personnel in the beneficiary country shall be fixed on the basis of the laws, regulations and customs of the beneficiary country and the requirements of the services.

#### 13.4. Leave entitlement

Any taking of holiday leave by the personnel during the period of implementation of the contract must be at a time approved by the Contracting Authority.

Overtime, sick leave, pay and holidays leave pay are deemed to be covered by the Contractor's remuneration.

#### 14. SUB-CONTRACTING

Except from the subcontractors listed in the contract, the Consultant shall not subcontract to nor engage another independent contractor to perform any part of the services without the prior written consent of the Contracting Authority. Subcontractors must satisfy the eligibility criteria applicable for the award of the contract.

The Contracting Authority shall have no contractual relations with the subcontractors. The provisions of the contract, including these general terms and conditions, and in particular article 13.2 shall, where practicable, apply to the subcontractors and their personnel.

#### 15. LIABILITY

At its own expense, the Contractor shall indemnify, protect and defend, the Contracting Authority, its agents and employees, from and against all actions, claims, losses or damages arising from any act or omission by the Contractor in the performance of the services, including any violation of any legal provisions, or rights of third parties, in respect of patents, trademarks and other forms of intellectual property such as copyrights.

Approval by the Contracting Authority of the Contractor's reports and issue of Completion Certificate shall not relieve the Contractor of its liability and shall not prevent the Contracting Authority from claiming damages.

The Contractor shall remain liable for any breach of its obligations under the contract for such period after the services have been performed as may be determined by the law governing the contract (the "liability period"). This time limit does not however apply when the damage arises from gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Contractor.

During the liability period, or as soon as practicable after its expiration, the Contractor shall, at its expense, upon instruction of the Contracting Authority, remedy any deficiencies in the performance of the services. In case of default on the part of the Contractor to carry out such instructions, the Contracting Authority shall be entitled to hire another contractor to carry out the same, at the Contractor's expense.

#### 16. INSURANCE

Within 20 days of signing the contract, the Contractor shall take out and maintain, at its own cost, a full indemnity insurance policy covering its professional liability under the contract and article 15 above, from the commencement date and until the end of the liability period.

Within 20 days of signing the contract, the Contractor shall take out and maintain a full indemnity insurance policy for a sum up to the higher of the maximum amount foreseen by the legislation of the country of the Contracting Authority and the amount foreseen by the legislation of the country in which the Contractor has its headquarters and covering, during the period of implementation of the contract, the following risks:

- a) loss of or damage to property purchased with funds provided under the contract, or produced by the Contractor;
- b) loss or damage to equipment, material and office facilities made available to the Contractor by the Contracting Authority;
   c) civil liability for accidents caused to third parties arising out of
- c) civil liability for accidents caused to third parties arising out of acts performed by the Contractor, its personnel and their dependents;
- employer's liability and workers' compensation in respect of the personnel as well as sickness, accident or death affecting the personnel and their dependents, including the cost of repatriation on health grounds;
- such other insurance as required by the laws in force in the beneficiary country.

Prior to the commencement date, the Contractor shall provide evidence to the Contracting Authority that the above insurances have been effectuated. During execution of the contract, the Contractor shall, when required, provide the Contracting Authority with copies of the insurance policies and the receipts for payment of premiums.

#### 17. INTELLECTUAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

All reports and data such as maps, diagrams, drawings, specifications, plans, statistics, calculations, databases, software and supporting records or materials acquired, compiled or prepared by the Contractor in the performance of the contract shall, with the copyright thereto, be the absolute property of the Contracting Authority. The Contractor shall, upon completion of the contract, deliver all such documents and data to the Contracting Authority. The Contractor may not retain copies of such documents and data and shall not use them for purposes unrelated to the contract without the prior written consent of the Contracting Authority.

The Contractor shall not publish articles relating to the services or refer to them when carrying out any services for others, or divulge information obtained from the Contracting Authority, without the prior written consent of the Contracting Authority.

#### 18. RECORDS

The Contractor shall keep separate, accurate and systematic records and accounts in respect of the services in such form and detail as is customary in the profession and sufficient to establish accurately that the number of working days and the actual reimbursable expenditure identified in the Contractor's invoice(s) have been duly incurred for the performance of the services.

For a fee-based contract, timesheets recording the days worked by the Contractor's personnel must be maintained by the Contractor. The timesheets must be approved by the Contracting Authority or any person authorised by the Contracting Authority or the Contracting Authority itself on a monthly basis. The amounts invoiced by the Contractor must correspond to these timesheets. In the case of long-term experts, these timesheets must record the number of days worked. In the case of short-term experts, these timesheets must record the number of hours worked. Time spent travelling exclusively and necessarily for the purpose of the Contract may be included in the numbers of days or hours, as appropriate, recorded in these timesheets.

Such records must be kept for a 7-year period after the final payment made under the contract. These documents comprise any documentation concerning income and expenditure and any inventory, necessary for the checking of supporting documents, including timesheets, plane and transport tickets, pay slips for the remuneration paid to the experts and invoices or receipts for reimbursable expenditure. Failure to maintain such records constitutes a breach of contract and will result in the termination of the contract

#### 19. OBLIGATIONS OF CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

19.1. The Contracting Authority shall provide the Contractor as soon as possible with any information and/or documentation at its disposal which may be relevant to the performance of the contract.

On all matters properly referred to it in writing by the Contractor, the Contracting Authority shall give its decisions so as not to delay the services, and within a reasonable time.

19.2. The contract shall specify whether the Contracting Authority is to provide the Contractor with equipment, facilities, counterpart personnel or specific assistance, and shall detail under which conditions. If the provision of such agreed counterpart personnel, equipment, facilities and assistance is delayed or not forthcoming, the Contractor shall endeavour to perform the Services as far as is possible. The parties shall agree on how the affected parts of the services shall be carried out, and the additional payments, if any is due, to be made by the Contracting Authority to the Contractor as a result of additional expenditures.

#### 20. CONTRACT PRICE AND PAYMENTS

Contracts are either "global price" or "fee-based".

20.1. Fee-based contract

In consideration of the services performed by the Contractor under the contract, the Contracting Authority shall make to the Contractor such payments of fees and such reimbursement of costs as provided in the contract

Fees shall be determined based on time actually spent by the key experts in the performance of services at the fee rates specified in the contract. Fee rates are deemed to remunerate all the activities of the Contractor in the performance of the services and to cover all expenses and costs incurred by the Contractor which are not included in the agreed reimbursable costs.

The Contracting Authority shall reimburse to the Contractor the reimbursable costs and expenses specified in the contract, actually and reasonably incurred in the performance of the services.

Costs and expenses which are not mentioned in the contract shall be deemed covered by the overhead of profit included in the fees.

The currency of payments of fees and reimbursable costs and applicable exchange rates are set out in the contract.

#### 20.2. Global price contract

The global price covers both the Contractor's and its personnel's fees and all expenses to be incurred for the performance of the contract. The global price is in consideration for all obligations of the Contractor under the contract and all matters and things necessary for the proper execution and completion of the services and the remedying of any deficiencies therein.

#### 20.3. Revision

Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, the global price of a global price contract and the fee rates of a fee-based contract shall not be revised.

#### 20.4. Guarantees

In the case an advance payment for fees and for reimbursable costs (fee-based contract) or a pre-financing payment (global price contract) is agreed in the contract, its payment by the Contracting Authority shall be subject to the prior presentation by the Contractor to the Contracting Authority of an approved performance security, advance payment or pre-financing guarantee, if so agreed and under the conditions specified in the Service Contract.

#### 20.5. Conditions of Payment

Payments will be made by the Contracting Authority with the frequency, instalments, time limits, amounts and currencies, and under the conditions, in particular on the contents of invoices, specified in the special conditions of the contract. Payment of the final balance shall be subject to performance by the Contractor of all its obligations under the contract and the issue by the Contracting Authority of the completion certificate described in article 25.

#### 20.6. Late payment

If the time periods laid down for payments by the Contracting Authority have been exceeded by more than two months and where the Contracting Authority cannot invoke a case of suspension or withholding of payments provided for in these terms and conditions, the Contractor may claim interest calculated on any amount due, prorata on the number of days of delay at the official bank rate of the beneficiary country (if amounts due are in the currency of that country), or at the rate applied by the European central bank (where amounts due are in Euro), plus 2% per year.

#### 21. DELAYS IN PERFORMANCE

If the Contractor does not perform the services within the period of implementation specified in the contract, the Contracting Authority shall, without formal notice and without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, be entitled to liquidated damages for every day, or part thereof, which shall elapse between the end of the period of implementation specified in the contract and the actual end of the period of implementation.

The daily rate for liquidated damages is calculated by dividing the contract value by the number of days of the period of implementation.

If these liquidated damages exceed more than 15% of the contract value, the Contracting Authority may, after giving notice to the Contractor:

- a) terminate the contract; and
- b) complete the services at the Contractor's own expense

#### 22. BREACH OF CONTRACT

Either party commits a breach of contract where it fails to discharge any of its obligations under the contract.

Where a breach of contract occurs, the party injured by the breach shall be entitled to the following remedies:

- entitled to the following remedies:
  a) liquidated damages; and/or
- b) termination of the contract.

In any case where the Contracting Authority is entitled to damages, it may deduct such damages from any sums due to the Contractor or call on the appropriate guarantee.

The Contracting Authority shall be entitled to compensation for any damage which comes to light after the contract is completed in accordance with the law governing the contract.

#### 23. SUSPENSION OF PERFORMANCE

The Contractor shall, on the request of the Contracting Authority, suspend the performance of the services or any part thereof for such time and in such manner as the Contracting Authority may consider necessary.

In such event of suspension, the Contractor shall take immediate action to reduce the costs incident to the suspension to a minimum. During the period of suspension, and except where the suspension is due to any default of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by it as a result of the suspension.

#### 24. AMENDMENT OF THE CONTRACT

Substantial modifications to the contract, including modifications to the total contract amount, must be made by means of an addendum.



#### 25. Completion Certificate

Upon completion of the services, and once (a) the Contracting Authority has approved the Contractor's completion report, (b) the Contracting Authority has approved the Contractor's final invoice and final audited statement, the Contracting Authority shall deliver a completion certificate to the Contractor.

#### 26. TERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

26.1 The Contracting Authority may terminate the contract after giving a 7 days' notice to the Contractor in any of the following cases:

- the Contractor is in breach of its obligations under the contract and/or fails to carry out the services substantially in accordance with the contract:
- the Contractor fails to comply within a reasonable time with the notice given by the Contracting Authority requiring it to make good the neglect or failure to perform its obligations under the contract which seriously affects the proper and timely performance of the services;
- the Contractor refuses or neglects to carry out instructions given by the Contracting Authority;
- the Contractor's declarations in respect if its eligibility (article 33) and/or in respect of article 31 and article 32, appear to have been untrue, or cease to be true;
- the Contractor takes some action without requesting or obtaining the prior consent of the Contracting Authority in any case where such consent is required under the contract;
- any of the key experts is no longer available, and the Contractor fails to propose a replacement satisfactory to the Contracting Authority:
- any organisational modification occurs involving a change in the legal personality, nature or control of the Contractor or the joint venture or consortium, unless such modification is recorded in an addendum to the contract;
- the Contractor fails to provide the required guarantees or insurance, or the person providing the underlying guarantee or insurance is not able to abide by its commitments.

#### 26.2 Termination by Contracting Authority for convenience

The Contracting Authority may terminate the contract in whole or in part for its convenience, upon not less than 14 days' notice. The Contracting Authority shall not use this right of termination in order to arrange for the services to be executed by another contractor, or to avoid a termination of the contract by the Contractor.

#### 27. TERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTOR

The Contractor may terminate the contract after giving a 7 days' notice to the Contracting Authority in any of the following cases:

- the Contractor has not received payment of that part of any invoice which is not contested by the Contracting Authority, within 90 days of the due payment date,
- the period of suspension of the performance of the contract under article 23 has exceeded six months;
- c) the Contracting Authority is in material breach of its obligations under the Contract and has not taken any actions to remedy the same within 30 days following the receipt by the Contracting Authority of the Contractor's notice specifying such breach.

If the Contractor is a natural person, the contract shall be automatically terminated if that person dies.

#### 28. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS UPON TERMINATION

28.1. Upon termination of the contract by notice of either party to the other, the Contractor shall take immediate steps to bring the services to a close in a prompt and orderly manner and in such a way as to keep costs to a minimum.

28.2. If the Contracting Authority terminates the contract in accordance with article 26.1 it may, thereafter, complete the services itself, or conclude any other contract with a third party, at the Contractor's expense.

The Contracting Authority shall, as soon as is possible after termination, certify the value of the services and all sums due to the Contractor as at

the date of termination. It shall, subject to article 28.1 and 28.3, make the following payments to the Contractor:

- remuneration pursuant to the contract for services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination;
- reimbursable costs (if fee-based contract) for costs actually incurred prior to the effective date of termination;
- except in the case of termination pursuant to article 26.1 reimbursement of any reasonable cost incident to the prompt and orderly termination of the contract;
- (d) in case of termination under article 26.2 and 27, reimbursement for the actual and reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of such termination and which could not be avoided or reduced by appropriate mitigation measures.
  - The Contractor shall not be entitled to claim, in addition to the above sums, compensation for any loss or injury suffered.

28.3. In case of termination of the contract for any reason whatsoever, any pre-financing guarantee which might have been granted to the Contracting Authority under article 20.4, may be invoked forthwith by the Contracting Authority in order to repay any balance still owed to the Contracting Authority by the Contractor, and the guarantor shall not delay payment or raise objection for any reason whatever.

28.4. If the Contracting Authority terminates the contract under article 26.1, it shall be entitled to recover from the Contractor any loss it has suffered up to that part of the contract value which corresponds to that part of the services which has not, by reason of the Contractor's default, been satisfactorily completed.

#### 29. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be considered to be in breach of its obligations under the contract if the performance of such obligations is prevented by any circumstances of force majeure which arise after the date of signature of the contract by both parties.

The term "force majeure", as used herein shall mean acts of God, strikes, lock-outs or other industrial disturbances, acts of the public enemy, wars, whether declared or not, blockades, insurrection, riots, epidemics, landslides, earthquakes, storms, lightning, floods, washouts, civil disturbances, explosions, and any other similar unforeseeable events, beyond the control of either party and which by the exercise of due diligence neither party is able to overcome.

A party affected by an event of force majeure shall take all reasonable measures to remove such party's inability to fulfil its obligations hereunder with a minimum of delay.

If either party considers that any circumstances of force majeure have occurred which may affect performance of its obligations it shall notify the other party immediately giving details of the nature, the probable duration and likely effect of the circumstances. Unless otherwise directed by the Contracting Authority in writing, the Contractor shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practicable and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance of its obligations which are not prevented by the force majeure event. The Contractor shall not put into effect such alternative means unless directed so to do by the Contracting Authority.

#### 30. APPLICABLE LAW AND DISPUTES

The contract is governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Contracting Authority's country.

Any dispute or breach of contract arising under this contract shall be solved amicably if at all possible. If not possible and unless provided in the Service Contract, it shall be settled finally by court decision, which shall be held under the law of the Contracting Authority's country. Any ruling by the court will be final and directly executable in the country of the Contractor.

#### 31. HUMAN RIGHTS AND LABOUR RIGHTS

The Contractor warrants that it, and its affiliates, respect and uphold Human- and Labour Rights defined in national law and in the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948) and the International Labour Organization Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (1998). Furthermore, the Contractor (and each member of a joint venture or a consortium) warrants that it and its affiliates comply with the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child - UNGA Doc A/RES/44/25 (12 December 1989) with Annex – and that it or its affiliates has not made or will not make use of forced or compulsory labour as described in the Forced Labour Convention C29 and in the Abolition of Forced Labour

Convention C105 of the International Labour Organization. Furthermore, the Contractor warrants that it, and its affiliates, respect and uphold basic social rights and working conditions for its employees. Any breach of this representation and warranty, in the past or during the performance of the contract, shall entitle the Contracting Authority to terminate this contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, at no cost or liability for the Contracting Authority.

#### 32. MINES AND OTHER WEAPONS

The Contractor (and each member of the joint venture or a consortium) warrants that it and its affiliates is NOT engaged in any development, sale, manufacture or transport of anti-personnel mines and/or cluster bombs or components utilized in the manufacture of anti-personnel mines and/or cluster bombs. Furthermore, the Contractor warrants that it and its affiliates are NOT involved in the sale and/or production of weapons which feed into violations of International Humanitarian Law covered by the Geneva Conventions I-IV and Additional Protocols; and the UN Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (1980). Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle the Contracting Authority to terminate this contract immediately upon notice.

#### 33. INELIGIBILITY

By signing the purchase order, the Contractor (or, if a joint venture or a consortium, any member thereof) certifies that they are NOT in one of the situations listed below:

- (a) They are bankrupt or being wound up, are having their affairs administrated by courts, have entered into an agreement with creditors, have suspended business activities, are the subject of proceedings concerning house matters, or are in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations;
- (b) They have been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct by a judgement that has the force of res judicata:
- judicata;
   (c) They have been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means that the Contracting Authority can justify;
- (d) They have not fulfilled obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions or payment of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which they are established or with those of the country of the Contracting Authority or those of the country where the contract is to be performed;
- (e) They have been the subject of a judgement that has the force of res judicata for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organisation or any other illegal activity detrimental to the Contracting Authority or the European Communities' financial interests:
- (f) Following another procurement procedure or grant award procedure financed by the European Community budget or following another procurement procedure carried out by the Contracting Authority or one of their partners, they have been declared to be in serious breach of contract for failure to comply with their contractual obligations.
- (g) He has been guilty of creating an entity under a different jurisdiction with the intent to circumvent fiscal, social or any other legal obligations of mandatory application in the jurisdiction of his registered office, central administration or principal place of business.
- (h) They are involved in terrorism activities, providing support to individuals or organizations that support terrorism activities, condone the use of terrorism or involved in the provision of arms to individuals or organizations involved in terrorism.
- They are on a list of sanctioned parties issued by United States government, UN, EU or other government issued terrorism and sanction lists.

# 34. CHECKS AND AUDITS

The Contractor shall permit the Contracting Authority or its representative to inspect, at any time, records including financial and accounting documents and to make copies thereof and shall permit the Contracting Authority or any person authorized by it, including the European Commission, the European Anti-Fraud Office and the Court of Auditors in case the contract is financed by the European Community budget, at any time, to have access to its financial accounting documents and to audit such records and accounts both during and after the provision of the services. In particular, it may carry out whatever documentary or on-the-

spot checks it deems necessary to find evidence in case of suspected unusual commercial expenses

#### 35. LIABILITY

Under no circumstances or for no reason whatsoever will the Back donor entertain any request for indemnity or payment directly submitted by the (Contracting Authority's) Contractors.

#### **36. DATA PROTECTION**

If the Contracting Authority is subject to EU Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) and the Contractor is processing personal data in the context of submitting an offer (e.g. CVs of both key and technical experts) and/or implementation of a contract (e.g. replacement of experts) the Contractor shall do so accordingly to EU Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) and inform the data subjects of the details of the processing and communicate the Contracting Authority's Privacy Policy to them.



# CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CONTRACTORS

ETHICAL PRINCIPLES AND STANDARDS

By this Code of Conduct, the Contracting Authority outlines the ethical principles and standards which contractors are required to follow and uphold. The Contracting Authority is a rights-based organisation that works for people's rights to a dignified life and equality and we expect our contractors to act in a socially responsible manner, with respect for human and Labour rights and the environment.

This Code of Conduct are aligned with recommendations from the Danish Ethical Trading Initiative (DIEH)<sup>1</sup>, the UN Global Compact principles<sup>2</sup> and ECHO's Humanitarian Aid Guidelines for Procurement 2011<sup>3</sup>.

#### **General Conditions**

The Code of Conduct is applicable for all contractors who supply goods, services and works to our operations and projects. It defines the expectations to contractors to act in accordance with applicable law and to conduct themselves responsibly, ethically and with integrity. This includes taking appropriate due diligence measures towards minimising adverse impacts on human- and labour rights, environment and anti-corruption principles. By signing the Code of Conduct contractors agree to ensure due diligence and placing ethics central to their business.

The provision of the ethical standards constitutes minimum rather than maximum standards. International and national laws shall be complied with, and where the provisions of law and the Contracting Authority's standards address the same subject, the highest standard shall apply.

It is the responsibility of the contractor to assure that their contractors and subcontractors comply with the ethical requirements and standards set forth in this Code of Conduct.

The Contracting Authority acknowledge that implementing ethical standards and ensuring ethical behaviour in our supply chain is a continuous process and a long-term commitment for which we also have a responsibility. To achieve high ethical standards, we are willing to engage in dialogue and collaboration with our contractors. In addition, we expect our contractors to be open and willing to engage in dialogue.

Unwillingness to co-operate or serious violations of the Code of Conduct will lead to rejection of bids or termination of contracts.

#### **Human Rights and Labour Rights**

Contractors must protect and promote human- and labour rights and work actively to address issues of concern as they arise. As a minimum they are required to comply with national laws and actively work to secure alignment to international Human and Labour Rights standards and frameworks:

Respect for Human- and Labour Rights (The International Bill of Human Rights, ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights):

The basic principles of the International Bill of Human Rights are that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and in rights within all

spheres of life. Everyone has the right to life, liberty, dignity, freedom and security of the person. Contractors must not flaunt their responsibility to uphold and promote such rights toward employees, contractors, sub-contractors and the community in which they operate.

**Non-exploitation of Child Labour** (UN Child Convention on the Rights of the Child, and ILO C138 & C182):

Contractors must not engage in the exploitation of child labour<sup>4</sup> and contractors must take the necessary steps to prevent the employment of child labour. A child is defined as a person under the age of 18 and children shall not be engaged in labour that compromise their health, safety, mental and social development, and schooling. Children under the age of 15 (in developing countries 14) may not be engaged in regular work, but children above the age of 13 (in developing countries 12) can be engaged in light work if it does not interfere with compulsory schooling and is not harmful to their health and development.

# Employment is freely chosen (ILO C29 & C105):

Contractors must not make use of forced or bonded labour and must respect workers freedom to leave their employer.

# Freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining (ILO C87, C98 & C154):

Contractors must recognise workers right to join or form trade unions and bargain collectively and should adopt an open attitude towards the activities of trade unions (even if this is restricted under national law).

# Living wages are paid (ILO C131):

As a minimum, national minimum wage standards or ILO wage standards must be met by contractors. Additionally, a living wage must be provided. A living wage is contextual, but must always meet basic needs such as food, shelter, clothing, health care and schooling, and provide a discretionary income<sup>5</sup>.

**Non-discrimination in employment** (ILO C100 & C111 and the UN Convention on Discrimination against Women):

Contractors must not practice discrimination in hiring, salaries, job termination, retiring, and access to training or promotion - based on race, national origin, caste, gender, sexual orientation, political affiliation, disability, marital status, or HIV/AIDS status.

# No harsh or inhumane treatment of employees (ILO C105):

The use of physical abuse, disciplinary punishment, sexual abuse, the threat of sexual and physical abuse, and other forms of intimidation and abuse may never be practiced by contractors.

# Working conditions are safe and hygienic (ILO C155 & C168):

Contractors shall provide safe and hygienic working conditions for its employees and put in place adequate measure to prevent accidents and injury to health associated with or occurring in the course of work.

Working hours are not excessive (ILO C1, C14, C30 &, C106):

https://www.unglobalcompact.org/what-is-gc/mission/principles/principle-5 and https://www.ilo.org/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=NORMLEXPUB:12100:0::NO::P12100\_ILO\_CODE:C138

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Discretionary income is the amount of an individual's income that is left for spending, investing, or saving after taxes and personal necessities (such as food, shelter, and clothing) have been paid.



https://www.dieh.dk/om-dieh/etisk-handel/hvordan-etisk-handel/dieh-quidelines/

https://www.unglobalcompact.org/what-is-gc/mission/principles

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>http://ec.europa.eu/echo/files/partners/humanitarian\_aid/Procurement\_Guidelines\_en.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The definition of Child Labour can be found at:

Contractors must ensure that working hours comply with national law and international standards. A working week of 7 days should not exceed 48 hours and employees must have one day off per week. Overtime shall be compensated, limited and voluntary.

# Regular and contractual employment (ILO C143, C183 & C132):

All work performed must be on the basis of a recognised employment relationship via written contracts, established through international conventions and national laws. Contractors shall provide leave, benefit and employment protection, and protect vulnerable group's regular employment under these laws and conventions.

#### **International Humanitarian Law**

Contractors linked to armed conflicts or operating in armed conflict settings shall respect civilian's rights under International Humanitarian Law and not be engaged in activities which directly or indirectly initiate, sustain, and/or exacerbate armed conflicts and violations of International Humanitarian Law<sup>6</sup> as defined in the Geneva Conventions I-IV and Additional Protocols. Contractors are expected to take a 'do no harm' approach to people affected by armed conflict.

#### Non-Involvement in Weapon- and Criminal Activities

The Contracting Authority advocates for the Ottawa Convention against landmines and the Convention on Cluster Munitions. Contractors shall not engage in any development, sale, manufacturing or transport of anti-personnel mines, cluster bombs or components, or any other weapon which feed into violations of International Humanitarian Law covered by the Geneva Conventions and Protocols.

Contractors shall not be engaged in any illegal or criminal activity and must never be associated with, provide support to or be involved in any terrorist activities.

#### **Protection of the Environment**

The Contracting Authority wishes to minimise the environmental damages applied to nature via our procurement activities and we expect our suppliers and contractors to act in an environmentally responsible manner. This involves respecting applicable national and international environmental legislation and acting in accordance with the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development. As a minimum, contractors must never support or be involved in illegal foresting and shall actively address issues related to proper waste management, ensuring recycling, conservation of scarce resources and efficient energy use.

#### **Anti-Corruption**

Corruption is by the Contracting Authority defined as the misuse of entrusted power for private gain and it includes bribery, fraud, embezzlement and extortion. The Contracting Authority holds a great responsibility to avoid corruption and ensure high standards of integrity, accountability, fairness and professional conduct in our business relations. Contractors are expected to have the same approach by undertaking good and fair business ethics and practices, take action to prevent and fight corruption, and abide by international conventions as well as international and national laws.

# **Complaints**

Contractors and contractor's employees who are confronted with corrupt practices, violations of human- or labour rights, or any of the standards laid down in this Code of Conduct, are encouraged to file a complaint with the Contracting Authority<sup>7</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This includes pillage/looting which is the unlawful taking of private property for personal or private gain based on force, threats, intimidation, pressure and through a position of power accomplished due to the surrounding conflict.
<sup>7</sup> DCA's Complaint Handling System is accessed on our website.