

Q: Could you please confirm whether a team of two experts, natural persons, is eligible to apply for this opportunity? If acceptable, the offer would clearly define the assignments and responsibilities of each expert within the proposed team structure and work plan. Considering the importance, complexity and multidisciplinary nature of the evaluation assignment, we believe that the involvement of two experts could contribute to stronger analytical coverage, balanced assessment and more objective review of the evaluation objectives and findings.

A: Applicants may apply either individually or as part of a team of experts. In the case of a team application, each team member will be evaluated individually against the required qualifications specified in the Terms of Reference (ToR).

Q: I would highly appreciate additional clarification on the methodology and assumptions used in estimating that the above-described engagement could realistically be performed by one expert within 20 working days.

A: The assignment has been developed in cooperation with beneficiary administration and in view of the similar expert support assignments that ReSPA has been supporting.

Q: In particular, I would appreciate clarification on whether the full practical, methodological, and operational implications of the activities and expected results described in the ToR were envisaged during the estimation of the expert input and implementation timeframe, or whether a more limited or simplified implementation approach was intended in practice.

A: The Terms of Reference for this assignment clearly defined the objectives and the expected outputs, allowing the interested applicants to develop the most suitable methodology to address the objectives and deliver results, in view of the allocated resources, and provide elaborated arguments to support their methodological approach.

Q: I would also highly appreciate clarification on whether consideration has been given to adjusting the implementation timeline either earlier or outside the peak annual leave period, in order to help ensure the availability and active participation of the most relevant institutional representatives, subject-matter experts, and operational stakeholders necessary for a credible and high-quality evaluation process.

A: ReSPA is open to the adjustments of the implementation timelines, pending the consultations with the beneficiary administration.