CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS

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To: Interested Service Providers
Contact: Procurement Unit (procurement@sprep.org)

Subject: Request for tenders (RFT): Consultancy for the development of the Cleaner Pacific 2036 (CP2036). Pacific Regional Chemical, Waste and Pollution Management Strategy, Action Plan, and Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Plan and Framework

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Question 1:
Is there a preferred or pre-determined format for the strategy that can be made available to bidders?

Response:
There is no prescribed or pre-determined format for the strategy. Bidders are encouraged to propose an appropriate structure and presentation format that best meets the objectives and requirements outlined in the Terms of Reference.

Question 2:
Is SPREP expecting relevant national/regional data to be summarised and tabulated within the strategy or will general statements on regional status that guide CP2036 action planning be acceptable?

Response:
CP2036 should be informed by relevant national and regional data and evidence. While comprehensive data tabulation is not expected, the strategy should provide a sound analysis of the current regional context and trends to support strategic priorities and action planning. Bidders may propose an approach that balances evidence-based analysis with a concise and user-friendly strategy document.

Question 3:
Is the CP2036 strategy expected to encourage public/private partnerships and supportive economic development approaches?

Response:
Yes. SPREP anticipates that CP2036 will consider opportunities to strengthen partnerships across government, private sector, civil society, development partners, and other stakeholders where relevant. The strategy should also take into account sustainable economic development opportunities that support cleaner and more resilient Pacific communities.

Question 4:
Will the results of recent unpublished SPREP contracted work be made available to the successful contractor for potential inclusion in the CP2036 draft: (eg regional healthcare incinerator installation summary, Model regional COPs and Regional chemical inventory and action plans, WWII shipwreck risk management assessment, 2016 regional WQ monitoring recommendations etc.)?

Response:
Subject to availability and internal clearance requirements, relevant background documents, studies, assessments, and reports may be made available to the successful contractor where these are considered useful for informing the strategy development process.

Question 5:
How does SPREP propose to have the data and recommendations of the unpublished external investigations around the circular economy (the regional recycling hub) included in the CP2036 strategy?

Response:
CP2036 is expected to build on existing regional initiatives, studies, and lessons learned, including work related to circular economy approaches. The successful contractor will be expected to review relevant available materials and engage with SPREP and key stakeholders to determine how such findings and recommendations can best inform the strategy.

Question 6:
Is this tender strictly open to sole consultants, or would a joint proposal submitted by a partnership of two consultants be acceptable?

Response:
A joint proposal submitted by a partnership of two consultants would be acceptable, provided the proposal clearly identifies the lead consultant, outlines the roles and responsibilities of each partner, and demonstrates that the combined team meets the requirements and qualifications set out in the Request for Tender.
Please ensure that all information requested in the tender documentation is included in the submission.