REQUEST FOR TENDER

Consultancy for the Development of a Project Design for the Pacific Framework for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (PFRPD)

Background

The PFRPD follows the Pacific Regional Strategy on Disability: 2010- 2015 (PRSD) which was endorsed by the first Forum Disability Ministers' Meeting (FDMM) in Cook Islands in 2009 and by PIF Leaders in August 2010. A review of the PRSD highlighted the need to address a number of priorities through a new regional Framework on the rights of persons with disabilities, taking into account the United Nations (UN) Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) as well as a range of other regional and international instruments, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The PFRPD follows the definition of disability as outlined in Article 1 of the CRPD: "disability results from the interaction between persons with impairments and attitudinal and environmental barriers that hinders their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others". The CRPD promotes a human rights approach to disability and enshrines the social model of disability as the spirit of the Convention. All persons with disabilities are included in this definition – men, women, children, youth and older persons. Women with disabilities are recognised as a particularly vulnerable group and in response to the PIF Leaders call for more focus on the needs of women and girls with disabilities in 2013, their rights are specifically addressed throughout the PFRPD: 2016-2025. The purpose of the PFRPD is to:

- Support Pacific governments to promote, protect and fulfil the rights of persons with disabilities as outlined in the CRPD; and
- Provide a regional modality to strengthen coordination and collaboration in support of national initiatives.

The PFRPD is comprised of a Vision, Goals, Strategies and Outcomes. An Implementation framework attached to the framework, outlines Actions for each Goal as well as implementation and coordination partnerships and means of verification. Monitoring of implementation and reporting arrangements will be largely undertaken through reporting arrangements through the Regional Reference Group on Disability (RRGD) a disability task force working group under CROP. A Learning and change framework also attached to the framework, links the Goals, Strategies and Outcomes with learning objectives and expected changes arising from the implementation of the PFRPD.

Purpose

The consultancy is to produce a PFRPD project design document. This will include the identification of key stakeholders and regional activities under the PFRPD at least for the next 3 years. The project design will include a costed implementation, measurement and evaluation framework.

Scope of Work

To provide consultancy services as per specifications set out under the Terms of Reference (TOR) document which can be downloaded from www.tenders.net/forumsec.

Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the tender:

Criteria	Score %
Knowledge and experience of disability work in the	30%
region	
Knowledge and experience with the concept of	30%
regionalism in the Pacific.	
Knowledge and Experience with development of	40%
implementation and evaluation framework as well	
as Project Design with proven success in securing	
donor funding.	
Total Technical Evaluation	100%

Choice of selected tenderer

The best value for money is established by weighing technical quality against price on an 80/20 basis.

HOW TO APPLY

Submissions should be clearly marked as:

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Method of Submissions:

Submissions must be forwarded in **PDF format** following the instructions at: www.tenders.net/forumsec.

Deadline for Submissions:

Submissions need to reach the Forum Secretariat by 5pm (Fiji time) 23 June 2017

^{*}All interested bidders will need to register at www.tenders.net/forumsec.

Late or incomplete tenders will not be considered.

All queries or requests for information must be submitted via the **Question and Answer Forum** on *www.tenders.net/forumsec* before **5pm on 15 June 2017**.

All queries will be responded to via the Question and Answer Forum on <u>www.tenders.net/forumsec</u> before **5pm on 19 June 2017.**

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