# **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS (Open tender)]**

# **Review of the Pacific Framework for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (PFRPD)**

# **Background**

The <u>Pacific Framework for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (PFRPD)</u> (2016-2025), serves as the primary regional framework for disability inclusion. Aligned with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) and the Incheon Strategy, the PFRPD represents a concerted regional approach toward progressive inclusion across five core areas: *Livelihoods, Mainstreaming, Leadership and Enabling Environment, Disaster Risk Management, and Evidence.*<sup>1</sup>

2. The PFRPD expires in 2025, providing an opportunity to review its effectiveness, relevance and governance; and align its priorities with the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent (2050 Strategy) and other relevant regional and sectoral frameworks, integrating disability inclusion and rights into the region's broader development goals.

### **Purpose**

The objective is to review the Framework to improve its effectiveness and relevance so that the region progresses disability inclusion through stronger alignment to the 2050 Strategy.

# Scope of Work

3. The Consultant will carry out the responsibilities and tasks as per specifications set out under the Terms of Reference (TOR) document which can be downloaded from www.tenders.net/forumsec.

## **Knowledge and Experience**

4. A description of the necessary knowledge, experience, and necessary skills required below:

## Consultant 1 – Social development specialist

### Knowledge and Experience

- Bachelor's university degree in political science, public policy, sociology, public administration, disability studies, or related field and/or technical certificate in community development, and disability inclusion with an additional 5 years of experience.
- Proven expertise in disability inclusion policy, particularly in the Pacific context.
- At least five years of experience working on disability inclusion and mainstreaming in a governmental, multilateral, or civil society organisation or lived experience.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pacific Framework for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (PFRPD), PIFS website.

- Familiarity with the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), and the Incheon Strategy.
- Experience in conducting policy reviews and realignments for regional or international organisations.
- Extensive experience in programme design, administration, monitoring and evaluation.
- Experience in developing and strengthening partnerships within the Government and civil society.
- Proven policy, advisory and advocacy experience, and engagement with senior levels of government, development partners, and donors.

## Skills

- Strong operational (task management) and analytical skills and demonstrated ability to conduct policy reviews and provide actionable, practical recommendations.
- Experience with techniques in policy and research analysis, formulation, monitoring, supervision, implementation and evaluation as applied in development assistance projects.
- Strong facilitation and participatory skills, with proven experience in conducting inclusive stakeholder consultations.
- Excellent standard of written and spoken English.
- Ability to work collaboratively in a multi-stakeholder environment.

# Consultant 2 - Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) specialist

# Knowledge and Experience

- Master's degree in a relevant field such as social sciences, gender studies, economics, or public health.
- Minimum of 10 years of professional experience in an M&E position responsible for implementing M&E activities of regional and/or international development projects.
- Good knowledge of programme implementation, monitoring and evaluation techniques and practices.
- Experience in strategic planning and performance measurement, including indicator selection, target setting, reporting, database management, and developing M&E and performance monitoring plans.
- Knowledge of the major evaluation methodologies (e.g. qualitative, quantitative, mixed-method, and impact) and data collection and analysis methodologies.
- Familiarity with impact assessment is an advantage.
- Good knowledge and experience of disability inclusion and mainstreaming.

## Skills

- Demonstrated ability to liaise and negotiate with government, and development partners including civil society and the private sector.
- Excellent analytical skills.
- Have a full understanding of the Pacific context, particularly in relation to social development issues of Forum Island Countries.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English.

#### HOW TO APPLY

## **Submissions should be entitled:**

# <u>OPEN TENDER</u> – <u>REVIEW OF THE PACIFIC FRAMEWORK FOR THE RIGHTS</u> <u>OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PFRPD)</u>

### **Method of Submissions:**

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

<u>Note</u>: Tenders must be submitted with clear labelling of the technical offer and the financial offer. The Technical Offer documents must be saved and submitted clearly labelled "A. Technical Offer". Financial Offer documents must be saved and submitted clearly labelled "B. Financial Offer".

The electronically submitted documents should be converted to the PDF format.

## **<u>Deadline for Submissions:</u>**

Submissions need to reach the Secretariat by 4pm (Fiji Time), date Friday 21 February 2025.

Late or incomplete tenders will not be considered.

#### **Questions and Answers**

All queries or request for information must be submitted via the Question and Answer Forum at <a href="https://www.tenders.net/forumsec">www.tenders.net/forumsec</a>. Tenderers may submit questions in writing to the mentioned Question and Answer Forum before **Tuesday18 February 2025.** The Secretariat has no obligation to provide clarification after this date.

<u>Note:</u> The Secretariat will not be responsible for non-receipt/non-delivery of the Bid documents due to any reason whatsoever.

Any complaints regarding the Secretariat's tender must be directed to the following email: <u>Tender.Complaints@forumsec.org</u>. This email address will forward your complaint to a person that is independent and removed from the tender process. Complaints must be well founded and should not be used as a mechanism for notifying displeasure with the outcome of a tender award. Further information on making a complaint can be found on the Policies & Information page at <a href="http://tenders.forumsec.org">http://tenders.forumsec.org</a>.

In the event that further information is required by the Secretariat in relation to the tender for consultancy, the Secretariat reserves the right to seek the required information without the need for calling for resubmission of proposals.