

Date: 5 January 2025

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION RFQ № UNFPA/EGY/RFQ/25/001

Dear Sir/Madam, UNFPA hereby solicits a quotation for the following service:

"Disability training and facilitation guide for Noura programme"

UNFPA is seeking to hire a consultancy firm that can perform the Disability training and facilitation guide for Noura programme as per the attached detailed ToRs.

About UNFPA

UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), is an international development agency that works to deliver a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every child birth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled.

UNFPA is the lead UN agency that expands the possibilities for women and young people to lead healthy sexual and reproductive lives. To read more about UNFPA, please go to: <u>UNFPA about us</u>

Service Requirements/Terms of Reference (ToR): please review detailed TORs attached as Annex II

Background:

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Objective and scope of work:

The Noura Framework responds to the National Strategy for the Empowerment of Egyptian Women 2030 and the National Action Plan for Family Development and will contribute to the SDG targets set in Egypt's Vision 2030. The program places adolescent girls 'aspirations and needs at the center:

• Empowers adolescent girls by providing them with health, social, economic, and digital assets To make their own choices.

• Creates positive social and gender norms towards adolescent girls within their households And communities.

• Strengthens systems to ensure quality and accessible services responsive to adolescent girls In Haya Karima villages.



Deliverable(s); Please review detailed deliverables including the time frame for each deliverable attached as Annex II – TORs

 The scope of this assignment mainly is to provide the needed technical guidance and support to mentors in the programme to be more aware of types of disabilities and how to provide a respectful and inclusive environment for adolescents with disabilities who are part of Noura programme.

Key deliverables:

- 1- Manual assessment: assessment of the current Noura and Nour manuals, defining main gaps including the recommended adjustment for activities to be more inclusive.
- 2- Facilitation guide: provide a guide for mentors on how to define, include and deal with different disabilities.
- 3- **Training delivery:** conduct 2-3 days training for total of 300 mentors in Assuit, Sohag and Beni Sweif, 100 per each governorate on the facilitation guide.
- 4- A final report: report that documents the full assignment including analysis of M&E data, findings and recommendations that should highlight list of initiatives that work with disabilities and Noura beneficiaries can be linked with later.

Timing / Schedule

Contract duration: 6 Months (Feb-July 2025)

I. Questions

Questions or requests for further clarifications should be submitted in writing to the contact person below:

Name of contact person at UNFPA:	Noha El Maraghy, procurement Associate
Email address of contact person:	elmaraghy@unfpa.org

The deadline for submission of questions is Sunday 12 January 2025: 23:00pm Cairo Local Time. Questions will be answered in writing and shared will parties as soon as possible after this deadline.

I. Eligible Bidders

This Request for Quotation is open to all eligible bidders; to be considered an eligible bidder for this solicitation process you must comply with the following:

- A bidder must be a legally-constituted company that can provide the requested services and have legal capacity to enter into a contract with UNFPA perform in the country of Egypt, or through an authorized representative.
- A bidder must not have a conflict of interest regarding the solicitation process or with the TORs / Technical Specifications. Bidders found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified.
- At the time of Bid submission, the bidder, including any JV/Consortium members, is not under procurement prohibitions derived from the <u>Compendium of United Nations Security Council</u> <u>Sanctions Lists</u> and has not been suspended, debarred, sanctioned or otherwise identified as ineligible by any <u>UN Organization</u> or the <u>World Bank Group</u>.



• Bidders must adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct, which may be found by clicking on <u>UN</u> <u>Supplier Code of Conduct</u>.

II. Content of quotations

Quotations should be submitted via a TWO-envelope system. Interested Bidders are requested to submit their Technical Bid & Declaration From **separately** from their Financial Bid containing the price information. Each envelope shall consist of a single email whenever possible, depending on file size.

- a) Technical proposal, in response to the requirements outlined in the service requirements / TORs.
- a) Signed Declaration Form, to be submitted strictly in accordance with the document.
- b) Price quotation, to be submitted strictly in accordance with the price quotation form.

Both parts of the quotation must be signed by the bidding company's relevant authority and submitted in PDF format.

III. Instructions for submission

Proposals should be prepared based on the guidelines set forth in Section III above, along with a properly filled out and signed price quotation form, and are to be sent by email to the contact person indicated below no later than : <u>Wednesday 22 January 2025 at 02:00 PM Cairo Time</u>]¹.

Name of contact person at UNFPA:	Operations Unit
Email address of contact person:	egypt.tenders@unfpa.org

Please note the following guidelines for electronic submissions:

- The following reference must be included by the Bidder in the email subject line:
 - UNFPA/EGY/RFQ/25/001– [Company name], Technical Bid
 - UNFPA/EGY/RFQ/25/001- [Company name], Financial Bid
 - Submissions without this text in the email subject line may be rejected or overlooked and therefore not considered.
- It is the Bidder's responsibility to assure compliance with the submission process. If the envelopes or emails are not marked / submitted per the instructions, UNFPA will neither assume responsibility for the bid's misplacement or premature opening nor guarantee the confidentiality of the Bid process. Incorrect submissions might result in your Bid being declared invalid.
- The total email size may not exceed **10 MB (including email body, encoded attachments and headers)**. Where the technical details are in large electronic files, it is recommended that these be sent separately before the deadline.
- Any quotation submitted will be regarded as an offer by the bidder and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of any quotation by UNFPA. UNFPA is under no obligation to award a contract to any bidder as a result of this RFQ.

IV. Overview of Evaluation Process

The evaluation will be carried out in a two-step process by an ad-hoc evaluation panel. Technical proposals will be evaluated and scored first, prior to the evaluation and scoring of price quotations

Technical Evaluation

¹ <u>http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/city.html?n=69</u>

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Technical proposals will be evaluated based on their responsiveness to the service requirements /TORs listed in Section II and in accordance with the evaluation criteria below.

Criteria	[A] Maximum Points	[B] Points [C] obtained by Weight (%) Bidder		[B] x [C] = [D] Total Points
Technical approach, methodology and level of understanding of the objectives of the project & mandates	100		25%	
Professional experience in disability and inclusion topic; relevant to the assignment with different community segments, reviewing and designing facilitation guides and manuals	100		30%	
Professional experience of the staff that will be employed to the project proving demonstrated expertise (CVs required)	100		20%	
Consultant Company Profile and history in conducting similar assignment	100		25%	
Grand Total All Criteria	400		100%	

The following scoring scale will be used to ensure objective evaluation:

Degree to which the Terms of Reference requirements are met based on evidence included in the Bid submitted	Points out of 100
Significantly exceeds the requirements	90 - 100
Exceeds the requirements	80 – 89
Meets the requirements	70 – 79
Partially meets the requirements	1 – 69
Does not meet the requirements or no information provided to assess compliance with the requirements	0

Financial Evaluation



Price quotes will be evaluated only for bidders whose technical proposals achieve a minimum score of [70%] in the technical evaluation.

Price quotes will be evaluated based on their responsiveness to the price quote form. The maximum number of points for the price quote is 100, which will be allocated to the lowest total price provided in based on the specific formula indicated in the TORs. All other price quotes will receive points in inverse proportion according to the following formula:

Financial score =	Lowest quote (\$)	X 100 (Maximum score)
	Quote being scored (\$)	

Total score

The total score for each proposal will be the weighted sum of the technical score and the financial score. The maximum total score is 100 points.

Total score = [70%] Technical score + [30%] Financial score

V. Award Criteria

In case of a satisfactory result from the evaluation process, UNFPA intends to award a Professional Service Contract on a fixed-cost basis to the Bidder(s) that obtain the highest total score.

VI. Right to Vary Requirements at Time of Award

UNFPA reserves the right at the time of award of contract to increase or decrease by up to 20% the volume of services specified in this RFQ without any change in unit prices or other terms and conditions.

VII. Payment Terms

UNFPA payment terms are net 30 days upon receipt of invoice and delivery/acceptance of the milestone deliverables linked to payment as specified in the contract.

VIII. Fraud and Corruption

UNFPA is committed to preventing, identifying, and addressing all acts of fraud against UNFPA, as well as against third parties involved in UNFPA activities. UNFPA's policy regarding fraud and corruption is available here: <u>Fraud Policy</u>. Submission of a proposal implies that the Bidder is aware of this policy.

Suppliers, their subsidiaries, agents, intermediaries and principals must cooperate with the UNFPA Office of Audit and Investigations Services as well as with any other oversight entity authorized by the Executive Director and with the UNFPA Ethics Advisor as and when required. Such cooperation shall include, but not be limited to, the following: access to all employees, representatives agents and assignees of the vendor; as well as production of all documents requested, including financial records. Failure to fully cooperate with investigations will be considered sufficient grounds to allow UNFPA to repudiate and terminate the Agreement, and to debar and remove the supplier from UNFPA's list of registered suppliers.

A confidential Anti-Fraud Hotline is available to any Bidder to report suspicious fraudulent activities at <u>UNFPA Investigation Hotline</u>.



Zero Tolerance

UNFPA has adopted a zero-tolerance policy on gifts and hospitality. Suppliers are therefore requested not to send gifts or offer hospitality to UNFPA personnel. Further details on this policy are available here: Zero Tolerance Policy.

IX. RFQ Protest

Bidder(s) perceiving that they have been unjustly or unfairly treated in connection with a solicitation, evaluation, or award of a contract may submit a complaint to the UNFPA Head of the Business Unit **Mr. Yves Sansserath, Representative ;** <u>sassenrath@unfpa.org</u> Should the supplier be unsatisfied with the reply provided by the UNFPA Head of the Business Unit, the supplier may contact the Chief, Supply Chain management Unit at <u>procurement@unfpa.org</u>.

X. Disclaimer

Should any of the links in this RFQ document be unavailable or inaccessible for any reason, bidders can contact the Procurement Officer in charge of the procurement to request for them to share a PDF version of such document(s).



PRICE QUOTATION FORM

Name of Bidder:	
Date of the quotation:	Click here to enter a date.
Request for quotation No:	UNFPA/EGY/RFQ/25/001
Currency of quotation :	EGP
Validity of quotation:	

(The quotation must be valid for a period of at least 3 months after the submission deadline

NB : Prices must include VAT

ltem	Description	Number & Descriptio n of Staff by Level	Daily/Mon thly Rate	Days/mont hs to be Committed	Total
-	rofessional Fees				
1	Assessment of the current Noura and Nour manuals, defining main gaps including the recommended adjustment for activities to be more inclusive.				
2	Provide a guide for mentors on how to define, include and deal with different disabilities.				
3	Conduct 2-3 days training for total of 300 mentors in Assuit, Sohag and Beni Sweif, 100 per each governorate on the facilitation guide.				
4	Successful submitting final report of the training including M&E data analysis and recommendations that should highlight list of initiatives that work with disabilities and Noura beneficiaries can be linked with later				
			Total Prof	essional Fees	EGP
2. 0	out-of-Pocket expenses				
	Travel, accommodations, meeting package, stationaryetc, out of pocket expenses to be settled based on actual invoices.				
	Any Other, please specify in detail				
	Total Out of Pocket Expenses				EGP
	Total Contract Price (Professional Fees + Out of Pocket Expenses)				EGP

Vendor's Comments:



I hereby certify that the company mentioned above, which I am duly authorized to sign for, has reviewed RFQ UNFPA/EGY/RFQ/25/001 including all annexes, amendments to the RFQ document (if applicable) and the responses provided by UNFPA on clarification questions from the prospective service providers. Further, the company accepts the General Conditions of Contract for UNFPA and we will abide by this quotation until it expires.

	Click here to enter a date.	
Name and title	Date an	d place





DECLARATION FROM

The undersigned, being a duly authorized representative of the Company represents and declares that:

1.	The Company and its Management ² have not been found guilty pursuant to a final judgement or a final administrative decision of any of the following:	YES	NO
	a. Fraud;		
	b. Corruption;		
	c. conduct related to a criminal organization;		
	d. money laundering or terrorist financing;		
	e. terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities;		
	f. sexual exploitation and abuse;		
	g. child labour, forced labour, human trafficking; or		
	 h. irregularity (non-compliance with any legal or regulatory requirement applicable to the Organization or its Management). 		
2.	The Company and its Management have not been found guilty pursuant to a final judgment or a final administrative decision of grave professional misconduct.		
3.	The Company and its Management are not: bankrupt, subject to insolvency or winding-up procedures, subject to the administration of assets by a liquidator or a court, in an arrangement with creditors, subject to a legal suspension of business activities, or in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for under applicable national law.		
4.	The Company and its Management have not been the subject of a final judgment or a final administrative decision finding them in breach of their obligations relating to the payment of taxes or social security contributions.		

² "Management" means any person having powers of representation, decision-making or control over the Organization. This may include, for example, executive management and all other persons holding downstream managerial authority, anyone on the board of directors, and controlling shareholders.



5.	The Company and its Management have not been the subject of a final judgment or a final administrative decision which found they created an entity in a different jurisdiction with the intent to circumvent fiscal, social or any other legal obligations in the jurisdiction of its registered office, central administration, or principal place of business (<i>creating a shell company</i>).	
6.	The Company and its Management have not been the subject of a final judgment or a final administrative decision which found the Company was created with the intent referred to in point (5) (<i>being a shell company</i>).	

The UNFPA reserves the right to disqualify the Company, suspend or terminate any contract or other arrangement between the UNFPA and the Company, with immediate effect and without liability, in the event of any misrepresentation made by the Company in this Declaration.

It is the responsibility of the Company to immediately inform the UNFPA of any changes in the situations declared above.

This Declaration is in addition to, and does not replace or cancel, or operate as a waiver of, any terms of contractual arrangements between the UNFPA and the Company.

Signature:

Date:	
Name and Title:	
Name of the Company:	
UNGM №:	
Postal Address:	
Email:	



ANNEX I: General Conditions of Contracts: De Minimis Contracts

This Request for Quotation is subject to UNFPA's General Conditions of Contract: De Minimis Contracts, which are available in <u>English</u>:

https://www.unfpa.org/sites/default/files/resource-pdf/UNFPA%20General%20Conditions%20-%20Services%20EN.pdf



<u>Annex II</u> Disability training and facilitation guide

Noura programme

Background

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Outline and scope of assignment:

The Noura Programme currently operates in five governorates (Assuit, Sohag, Dakhlya, Cairo and Benisweif), where young mentors (ages 18-24) lead 40 training sessions for adolescent girls (ages 10-14). Each mentor engages with 20-25 girls per session, delivering a year-long program. Recently, the programme started its intervention also with boys aged 10-14 years old.

Some of Noura classes has different types of disabilities that mentors include with other girls without preparation of how their disabilities will be handled. One of the Noura programme main values is to promote inclusion between adolescent's and advocate for more considerate culture that support their potentials in pursuing their dreams being part of such programmes by providing an enabling environment that promotes their participation.

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Monitoring, progress control and reporting:

- All deliverables are to be submitted to UNFPA for clearance prior to finalization.

- Regular follow up meetings will be held between UNFPA team and the selected bidder to follow up on implementation.

- Methodology of implementation might be subject to modifications without changing the overall objective and the scope of work on the basis of mutual consultation

Geographical scope and target numbers:

Training will be conducted in the three governorates Assuit , Sohag and Beni Sweif, 4 patches per each one.

Timeline:

Phase	Jan	Feb	March	April	Мау	June	July
Contract Signing		~					
Manuals assessment			~				
Facilitation guide				~			
Mentors training					\checkmark	✓	
Final Report							✓

Competency and expertise:

1. Proven minimum of 7 years' experience in disability and inclusion topic;



2. Proven experience in conducting such assignments with very good understanding to development sector and marginalized communities' dynamics;

3. Solid experience in reviewing and designing facilitation guides and manuals.

4. At least 5 years of experience in conducting trainings.

5. Solid experience in monitoring and evaluating trainings results.

Payment terms:

First payment: 20% will be paid after delivering the manual assessment report that highlights along with recommendations. (deliverable 1)

Second payment: 20% will be paid after delivering the facilitation guide. (deliverable 2)

Third payment: 40% will be paid after conducting the mentors training. (deliverable 3)

Fourth payment: 20% will be paid after the successful submitting final report of the training including M&E data analysis and recommendations that should highlight *list of initiatives that work with disabilities and Noura beneficiaries can be linked with later*. (deliverable 4)

Deadline for submitting quotation:

All offers are expected to be received no later than Wednesday 22 January 2025 @ 02:00pm Cairo Local Time