Date: *3 March, 2021*

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

RFQ Nº UNFPA/FIJI/RFQ/2021/003

Dear Sir/Madam,

UNFPA hereby solicits a quotation for the following service:

**“Catering Service for the Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCAH) Policy and Strategy SWOT Analyses & Planning Workshop, 15 – 17 March, Faónelua Convention Centre, Nukuálofa, Tonga”**

UNFPA PSRO office requires full catering service for hosting of the UNFPA – MOH RMNCAH SWOT Analyses Workshop, from the 15-17 March, at Faonelua Convention Centre, Nukualofa. The training will facilitate an estimated 120 participants (stakeholders) at the meeting venue through group works who will be engaged in virtual meetings with Technical Advisers from the UNFPA Pacific Office, and also regional partners.

This Request for Quotation is open to all legally-constituted companies that can provide the requested services and have legal capacity to perform in the country, or through an authorized representative.

1. **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 a healthy sexual and reproductive lives. To read more about UNFPA, please go to: <http://pacific.unfpa.org>

1. **Service Requirements/Terms of Reference (ToR)**

**Objectives and scope of the Services**

* + - **Background information**

Under the Pacific Sub-Regional Office banner, 14 countries are covered in the Pacific region which includes Fiji, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, Kiribati, Tonga, Samoa, Fiji, RMI, FSM, Cook Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Tokelau and Tuvalu. The Pacific Sub-Regional Office in Fiji supplies Reproductive Health Commodities in support of the activities it undertakes in these 14 countries.

**Purpose and Objectives of the workshop**

MOH is leading the development of a Reproductive Maternal New-born Child & Adolescent Health (RMNCAH) policy, strategy, and implementation plan for Tonga, which will guide planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of evidence, based high impact interventions and resources mobilization for RMNCAH.

National, regional and global policy frame works including the ICPD25 commitments, the Tonga National Development Framework, National Health Strategic Plan, the RMNAH components of the integrated reproductive health strategy (2014-2018), the national package of essential health services, Sustainable Development Goals, The Global Strategy for Women, Children and Adolescents (2018-2030), recommendations of evidence based WHO high impact interventions for MNCH and other RMNCAH strategies will serve as guiding documents.

**Purpose:** Priority strategic areas and interventions have been identified to inform the national RMNCAH policy, strategy (2021-2025) and implementation plan (2021-2023).

**Objectives:**

* Identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) in RMNCAH.
* Based on the SWOT analyses and review of the draft reproductive health policy (2014-2017), identify RMNCAH priority strategic areas and interventions to inform the national RMNCAH policy, strategy (2021-2025) and implementation plan (2021-2023)
* Agree on the policy statements for the RMNCAH policy, strategy, and implementation plan.

**Catering deliverable(s) and activities**

The catering company should be able to provide catering service for 3 days for 120 participants inclusive of;

* Buffet Morning and Afternoon Tea (inclusive of fruit patter)
* Buffet Lunch (inclusive of juice and water)
* Serving personnel (Waiter & Waitress)
* Serving Utensils (plates, cups, glass, jugs, cutlery, etc.)
* Refreshments/ water on group meeting tables (conference room)
1. **Questions**

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

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| Name of contact person at UNFPA: | *Kunal Lal* |
| Tel Nº: | *+679 3230732* |
| Fax Nº: | *+679 3312785* |
| Email address of contact person: | *klal@unfpa.org* |

The deadline for submission of questions is **Friday 5th March 2021, 5.30pm (Fiji Time).** Questions will be answered in writing and shared with all parties as soon as possible after this deadline.

1. **Content of quotations**

Quotations should be submitted in a single email whenever possible, depending on file size. Quotations must contain:

1. Technical proposal, in response to the requirements outlined in the service requirements / ToRs.
2. 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.

1. **Instructions for submission**

Proposals should be prepared based on the guidelines set forth in Section IV above, along with a properly filled out and signed price quotation form, and are to be sent by email to the address indicated below no later than: **Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 5.30 pm (Fiji Time).**

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| Secure Email address : | psro.bidding@unfpa.org  |

Please note the following guidelines for electronic submissions to UNFPA PSRO dedicated email address:

* Do not submit your proposal to any other e-mail address than psro.bidding@unfpa.org, or your proposal will be disqualified.
* The following reference must be included in the email subject line: RFQ Nº UNFPA/FIJI/RFQ/2021/003– “Catering Service for- RMNCAH”. Proposals, including both technical and financial proposals, that do not contain the correct email subject line may be overlooked by the procurement officer and therefore not considered.
* The total email size may not exceed **20 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.
* When submitting electronic offers, Bidders will receive an auto-reply acknowledging receipt of the **first** email. Should you offer require to submit more than one email, in the body of this first email, bidders are requested to list the number of messages, which make up their technical offer and the number of messages, which make up their financial offer. If you do not receive any auto-reply for the first email from UNFPA’s email system, please inform Mr. Ram Dahal, Operations and Quality Assurance Analyst at: dahal@unfpa.org.
* 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.
1. **Overview of Evaluation Process**

Quotations will be evaluated based on the technical proposal and the total cost of the services (price quote).

The evaluation will be carried out in a two-step process by an ad-hoc evaluation panel. Technical proposals will be evaluated for technical compliance prior to the comparison of price quotes.

1. **Award Criteria**

In case of a satisfactory result from the evaluation process, UNFPA intends to award a Purchase Order for the Accommodation, Catering and Conference Facility to the bidder that obtain the lowest-priced technically acceptable offer.

1. **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.

1. **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.

1. [**Fraud and Corruption**](http://www.unfpa.org/about-procurement#FraudCorruption)

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: [Fraud Policy](http://www.unfpa.org/resources/fraud-policy-2009#overlay-context=node/10356/draft). 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 [UNFPA Investigation Hotline](http://web2.unfpa.org/help/hotline.cfm).

1. **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](http://www.unfpa.org/about-procurement#ZeroTolerance).

1. **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 Dr. Jennifer Butler, UNFPA PSRO Director and Representative at butler@unfpa.org. Should the supplier be unsatisfied with the reply provided by the UNFPA Head of the Business Unit, the supplier may contact the Chief, Procurement Services Branch at procurement@unfpa.org**.**

1. **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

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| **Name of Bidder:** |  |
| **Date of the quotation:** | Click here to enter a date. |
| **Request for quotation Nº:** | UNFPA/FIJI/RFQ/2021/003 |
| **Currency of quotation:** | Tonga TOP |
| **Delivery charges based on the following 2010 Incoterm:**  | N/A |
| **Validity of quotation:***(The quotation shall be valid for a period of at least 3 months after the submission deadline.)* |  |

* Quoted rates must be **exclusive of all taxes**, since UNFPA is exempt from taxes.

Example Price Schedule below:

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| **Catering service for RMNCAH workshop** |
| a. | **Availability of Caterer 15 - 17 March 2021** |
| Caterer available to provide service for the Week 15-17 March 2021 (3 Days). | Select One |
| Acceptance of UNFPA PO as booking confirmation with 100% payment to be done on invoice after workshop.  | Select One |
| Item | Description | Quantity | UOM | Costper unit | Total |
| b. | **Catering Package inclusive of:** |
| * Buffet Morning and Afternoon Tea (inclusive of fruit patter)
* Buffet Lunch (inclusive of juice and water)
* Serving personnel (Waiter & Waitress)
* Utensils (plates, cups, glass, jugs, cutlery, etc.)
* Refreshments/ water on group meeting tables (conference room)
 | 120 PAX | EACH |  |  |
| ***Total Price*** *(Total Cost of* Catering RMNCAH Workshop*)* | $$ TOP |

*Vendor’s Comments:*

I hereby certify that the company mentioned above, which I am duly authorized to sign for, has reviewed RFQ UNFPA/FIJI/RFQ/2021/003 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.

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| Name and title | Date and place |

**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: [English,](http://www.unfpa.org/resources/unfpa-general-conditions-de-minimis-contracts) [Spanish](http://www.unfpa.org/sites/default/files/resource-pdf/UNFPA%20General%20Conditions%20-%20De%20Minimis%20Contracts%20SP_0.pdf) and [French](http://www.unfpa.org/sites/default/files/resource-pdf/UNFPA%20General%20Conditions%20-%20De%20Minimis%20Contracts%20FR_0.pdf)