

FORM AM 10-7:

Procurement Notice/Advertisement Open International Competition (OIC)

Country of Destination: France

Reference Number: RFP/ED/GEM/23/01 External Evaluation Services

Description: External Evaluation Services

Deadline for Submission of Tenders: 6 February 2023, 23:59 CET

Posting Date: 6 January 2023

The United Nations Educational, Science and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) hereby invites qualified companies to submit sealed tenders as follows:

Through issuance of this Request for Proposal (RFP), UNESCO wishes to enter into Long-term Agreements to ensure economies of scale and increased efficiency for external evaluation services of UNESCO's flagship publication: The Global Education Monitoring Report (GEM Report). The GEM Report periodically commissions independent external evaluations of its programme and products, to determine how effectively it fulfils its mandate, and to inform decisions for the design of the next GEM Report strategy. To meet the demand for evaluation services in a responsive and timely manner, the GEM Report seeks to establish non-exclusive Long Term Agreements (LTA) with several organizations.

The organizations must have the necessary operational and technical capabilities and demonstrate credibility, the required expertise, and relevant skill sets, knowledge and experience in applying evaluation methodologies and processes so that they can be called upon at short notice to design and undertake independent evaluations and strategic reviews. The organizations will be required to conduct evaluation services and, in line with a specific request, rigorously collect and triangulate stakeholder perspectives, quantitative and qualitative data, to synthesize findings and conclusions and develop and validate recommendations.

Following the entry into force of the Long Term Agreements currently planned for February/March 2023, specific service contracts with exact definition of timelines and deliverables, may be signed and placed under these frameworks. The evaluation services may also be used by other UNESCO divisions.

The purpose of this notice is to provide general information on the requirements for the procurement process and to inform interested suppliers how to obtain a copy of the detailed Solicitation Documents.

Interested companies who wish to participate in the OIC must request for a complete set of Solicitation Documents, available free of charge, from the UNESCO contact person at the address shown below.

The tenders must be sent in two separate e-files and emailed to this address: **ed.procurement@unesco.org** on or before **6 February 2023** at 23:59 Paris time, in strict compliance with the instructions as stipulated in the Solicitation Documents.

UNESCO reserves the right to amend the documents at any time during the solicitation process. Any amendments or clarifications will be communicated directly to all Bidders who have requested for a complete set of solicitation documents No remuneration will be made to companies for preparation and submission of their tenders.

UNESCO Contact Information (for solicitation documents and Q&A ONLY):

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