

Annex B Call for Proposal (CFP) Template for Responsible Parties (For Civil Society Organizations- CSOs)

Section 1

CFP No. **UNW-AP-BGD-WPS-CFP-2021-001**

a. CFP letter for Responsible Parties

UNWOMEN plans to engage an (Responsible Parties) as defined in accordance with these documents. UN-WOMEN now invites sealed proposals from qualified proponents for providing the requirements as defined in the UN-WOMEN Terms of Reference.

Proposals must be received by UNWOMEN at the email address **specified in section 8.1** not later than **23:59 (Bangladesh Standard Time) on 22 September 2021**.

The budget range for this proposal should be BDT 3,730,000 – 4,240,000

This UN-Women Call for Proposals consists of <u>Two</u> sections:	Annexes to be completed by proponents and returned with their proposal (mandatory)
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Interested proponents may obtain further information by contacting this email address: tania.sharmin@unwomen.org with copy to bco.procurement@unwomen.org.

b. Proposal data sheet for Responsible Parties

Program/Project:

PEACEBUILDING IN A PANDEMIC: Empowering Women to Promote Social Cohesion and Prevent Terrorism and Violent Extremism in the Context of COVID-19 (This CFP is for Bangladesh ONLY)

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Requests for clarifications due:

Date: 19 Sep 2021

Time: 17:00 (Bangladesh time)

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UNWOMEN clarifications to proponents due: [if applicable]

Date: 20 Sep 2021

Time: 17:00 (Bangladesh time)

Proposal due:

Date: 22 Sep 2021

Time: 23:59 (Bangladesh time)

Planned award date:

17 Oct 2021

Planned contract start-date (on or before): 17 Oct 2021

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Women Peace and Security

Theme:

Empowered Women, Peaceful Communities:

PEACEBUILDING IN A PANDEMIC: Empowering Women to Promote Social Cohesion and Prevent Terrorism and Violent Extremism in the Context of COVID-19

Bangladesh

Call for Proposal: Building capacity of women and key stakeholders at national and grassroots level to contribute to effective implementation of National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (NAP WPS)

I. Introduction

a. Background

UN Women, grounded in the vision of equality enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations, works for the elimination of discrimination against women and girls; the empowerment of women; and the achievement of equality between women and men as partners and beneficiaries of development, human rights, humanitarian action and peace and security. Placing women's rights at the centre of all its efforts, the UN Women leads and coordinate United Nations system efforts to ensure that commitments on gender equality and gender mainstreaming translate into action throughout the world. It provides strong and coherent leadership in support of Member States' priorities and efforts, building effective partnerships with civil society and other relevant actors.

Building on 20 years of experience in the area of women, peace and security (WPS), including conflict prevention and resolution, peacebuilding, security sector reform and access to justice, UN Women has been working to ensure a gender sensitive and gender responsive approach to understanding and preventing violent extremism (PVE) at the regional level. UN Women's approach to preventing radicalization and violent extremism is firmly based on the empowerment of women to build resilient, cohesive and peaceful communities – with particular attention to those that are most marginalized and in particularly vulnerable situations. UN Women is integrating this focus on prevention of violent extremism with its ongoing women, peace and security priorities including conflict prevention, peacebuilding and National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (NAP WPS). Please consult our webpage for more information on our work in this area. <http://asiapacific.unwomen.org/en/focus-areas/peace-and-security/preventing-violent-extremism>

b. General overview of services required/results

Since 2017, UN Women has been implementing the regional programme "Empowered Women, Peaceful Communities" to prevent violent extremism and advance the Women Peace and Security agenda by promoting women's rights, empowerment, participation and leadership— both at the community level as well as in national decision-making. UN Women Bangladesh has supported the formulation of Bangladesh's NAP WPS, which has been launched in 2019 under the leadership of Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA). This plan was crafted by listening to the voices, needs, and experiences of diverse women from all over Bangladesh, and it takes into account the last 20 years of hard work and lobbying by women's organizations all over the country who demanded a seat at the table and a say in their own security. This consultative process covered 21 districts in seven divisions in order to identify women's needs and experiences related to the WPS agenda at the grassroots level. The recommendations from these consultations became the backdrop of formulating the NAP WPS and putting women at the centre of the peace and security agenda in Bangladesh.

The NAP WPS is the key tool through which to transform UN Security Resolution 1325 and other women, peace and security commitments into practical action within and beyond the borders, and it must be implemented and monitored with an inter-ministerial effort through an effective coordination mechanism. The progress of the NAP will be analysed on an annual basis by the administrations concerned, under the

direction of a Coordination Group for NAP WPS led by MOFA. In addition to governmental actors, multiple stakeholders play important roles in monitoring and evaluation, sharing their invaluable expertise and vision for a more peaceful and equal society. Therefore, it is imperative to create and maintain a strong multi-stakeholder partnership throughout the life of the NAP. For this reason, the NAP WPS has committed to supporting the establishment of a Consultative Platform of civil society organizations (CSOs), including representatives of supporting agencies, academics and relevant resource persons, as a mechanism to enable CSO participation in the monitoring, reporting and evaluation of NAP WPS implementation.

In this context, in January – March 2021 UN Women supported efforts to strengthen capacity of women and CSOs at grassroots and national level to contribute to the implementation of the NAP WPS. A total of 60 participants from 15 districts were provided a three-day training on Women Peace and Security including NAP WPS. Another three consultations were held both at district and national level to share the NAP WPS and discuss means of effective implementation from a civil society perspective, with over 120 participants in total including representatives of CSOs, women-led organizations, government officials, academics and media.

To build upon the momentum gained from the above initiative, this Terms of Reference is prepared to identify the activities/a CSO partner (“Responsible Party”) to work with UN Women to implement the activities and contribute to the output under the programme as detailed below.

II. Description of required services/results

Important note:

- In view of the recent global outbreak of the COVID-19, the proposal should consider restrictions caused by the COVID-19 in the design, implementation and monitoring and reporting of the activities. Leveraging the online spaces and tools including social media is encouraged in the context of social distancing due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- The activities described below are broad activities that should be broken down into expected results and sub activities in the proposal.



Output: Governments have increased access to the necessary gender expertise and women’s groups have increased capacities to influence the development of gender-sensitive policies to prevent and counter terrorism, violent extremism and hate speech

Area of work: Building capacity of women and key stakeholders at national and grassroots level to contribute to effective implementation of National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (NAP WPS)

Activity 1: Capacity building and training of women leaders including community, religious and academic leaders as well as women’s groups and civil society organizations to promote the effective implementation and monitoring of NAP WPS Bangladesh.

Activity 2: Support dialogue between women’s groups and networks and government institutions to advance WPS and gender sensitive PVE through effective implementation of NAP WPS Bangladesh

PLEASE EXPLAIN IN YOUR PROPOSAL TO WHAT EXTENT YOU WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING INDICATORS

Indicators	Baseline	Target (by March 2022)
Number of women who have strengthened their understanding on WPS and the NAP, and the role CSOs and women-led organizations can play in promoting the NAP WPS implementation	60	120

Number of dialogues (online/in person) between women's groups and networks, and government institutions to advance WPS and gender sensitive PVE through effective NAP WPS implementation	4	9
Percentage of the participants from CSOs and women's groups who receive capacity building and report on increased knowledge to support the implementation of NAP WPS	0	80%

Geographical Scope

Building on UN Women supported efforts in January – March 2021 in 14 districts including Dhaka, the geographical scope for this project should include the following districts at a minimum to further deepen the localization of NAP WPS: Dhaka, Rangpur, Mymensingh, Cox's Bazar, Bandarban, and Rangamati.

Scope of work

Under "Empowered Women, Peaceful Communities" Programme, the responsible party is expected to implement the following:

Activity 1: Capacity building and training of women leaders including community, religious and academic leaders as well as women's groups and civil society organizations to promote the effective implementation and monitoring of NAP WPS Bangladesh

- Based on initial mapping of CSOs and women-led organizations at national and local level which work for gender equality, community cohesion and peace building and potentially support the effective implementation of NAP WPS, identify and map additional CSOs and women-led organizations to strengthen knowledge on WPS issues. Special focus to be on LNOB principle, including people with disabilities, minorities and indigenous communities, and youth organizations.
- Undertake in depth needs assessment for capacity building for the identified CSOs and women-led organizations to support the effective implementation of NAP WPS.
- Modify and update training materials developed during initial initiative in January – March 2021 based on lessons learnt as well as adapt to current COVID-19 pandemic context.
- Undertake (online/in person) capacity building for CSOs using the training materials (at least for 60 women leaders/youth/Women Peace Café members¹).
- Through capacity building sessions, identify key issues and develop action plans that local and national level CSOs and women-led organizations can undertake to advance the WPS agenda and support the implementation of NAP WPS.
- Provide refresher training for participants that have received training in Jan – Mar 2021 to enable them to continue their engagement and support to NAP WPS implementation.

Note: The capacity building materials for CSOs should be:

- ✓ Entry level, in that it explains core concepts in a simple way and does not assume prior knowledge of the technical content.
- ✓ User friendly and self-guided (e.g. PowerPoint presentation and pdf document etc.,) with the ability to learn at one's own pace.
- ✓ Able to be periodically updated.

Activity 2: Support dialogue between women's groups and networks and government institutions to advance WPS and gender sensitive PVE through effective implementation of NAP WPS Bangladesh

- Hold (online/in person) dialogue sessions (at least 5 sessions) with CSOs, women-led organisations and representatives of the government to discuss government and CSO initiatives at local and national level that support the different pillars/components of NAP WPS, identify promising practices

¹ Women Peace Café (WPC) is an initiative piloted by UN Women in partnership with Centre for Peace and Justice, Brac University under the "Empowered Women, Peaceful Communities" regional programme. It is a university-based platform for sharing knowledge, innovative entrepreneurship ideas and provide safe space for female students to engage in activities that promote peace and social cohesion in their communities. Currently there are over 300 members in four (4) WPCS – in Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University (JKKNIU), Mymensingh; Begum Rokeya University, Rangpur (BRUR); Dhaka University; and Brac University. Training participants may be selected from existing WPCs as well.

and issues that require attention. Special focus may be given to key government stakeholders and counterparts outlined in the NAP WPS, as well as identifying other relevant stakeholders engaged in advancing the agenda for gender equality and women's empowerment.

- Conduct online awareness raising campaign on WPS agenda including through mass and social media, highlighting the crucial contributions of women and the importance of NAP WPS to transform UN Security Resolution 1325 into practical action within and beyond the borders.

III. **Timeframe:**

Starting from 17 October 2021 to 31 March 2022 (5 months)

IV. **Competencies:**

a. Technical/functional competencies required

Demonstrate **technical competencies** in the area (or areas) where the applicant is applying:

- Proven technical competencies in women peace and security, social cohesion, and de-radicalization
- Demonstrated experiences in implementing programmes on gender equality and women's empowerment; and in formulating result-oriented programme, monitoring programme based on indicators and quality reporting.
- Proven organizational experiences in building Strategic Partnerships that promote sustainability with women led organisations, CSOs, government agencies and other non-traditional partners.
- Demonstrated commitment to working with women and girls that are economically, politically, socially, culturally, or otherwise excluded, marginalized, and/or disempowered.

b. Other competencies, which while not required, can be an asset for the performance of services

- Demonstrated experience in applying Rights-based approaches to advance women's political empowerment and ensuring the voices and needs of women as rights-holders are heard.
- Demonstrated experience in supporting the implementation of national action plans or national coordination mechanisms with multi stakeholders.

Annex B-1
Mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria
[To be completed by proponents and returned with their proposal]

Call for proposal

Description of Services: Building capacity of women and key stakeholders at national and grassroots level to contribute to effective implementation of National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (NAP WPS)

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Proponents are requested to complete this form and return it as part of their submission. Proponents will receive a pass/fail rating on this section. To be considered, proponents must meet all the mandatory criteria described below. All questions should be answered on this form or an exact duplicate thereof. UN WOMEN reserves the right to verify any information contained in proponent's response or to request additional information after the proposal is received. Incomplete or inadequate responses, lack of response or misrepresentation in responding to any questions will result in disqualification.

Mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria	Proponent's response
1.1. Confirm that the services being requested are part of the key services that the proponent has been performing as an organization. This must be supported by a list of at least two customer references for which similar service is currently or has been provided by the proponent.	Reference #1: Reference #2:
1.2. Confirm proponent is duly registered or has the legal basis/mandate as an organization	Yes/No
1.3. Confirm proponent as an organization has been in operation for at least five (5) years ²	Yes/No
1.4. Confirm proponent has a permanent office within the location area.	Yes/No
1.5. Proponent must agree to a site visit at a customer location in the location or area with a similar scope of work as the one described in this CFP.	Yes/No
1.6. Confirm that proponent has not been the subject of a finding of fraud or any other relevant misconduct following an investigation conducted by UN Women or another United Nations entity. The Proponent must indicate if it is currently under investigation for fraud or any other relevant misconduct by UN Women or another United Nations entity and provide details of any such investigation	Yes/No
1.7. Confirm that proponent has not been the subject of any investigations and/or has not been charged for any misconduct related to sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) ³ .	
1.8. Confirm that proponent has not been placed on any relevant sanctions list including as a minimum the Consolidated United Nations Security Council Sanctions List(s), United Nations Global Market Place Vendor ineligibility and the EU consolidated Sanction list	Yes/No

² In exceptional circumstances three (3) years of history registration may be accepted and it must be fully justified.

³ [Secretary General's Bulletin, 9 October 2003 on "Special measures for protection from sexual exploitation and sexual abuse" \(ST/SGB/2003/13\)](#), and United Nations Protocol on allegations of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse involving Partners

Section 2

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a. Instructions to proponents (Responsible Parties)

1. Introduction

- 1.1 UN-WOMEN invite qualified parties to submit Technical and Financial Proposals to provide services associated with the UN-WOMEN requirement for Responsible Party.
- 1.2 UN-Women is soliciting proposals from Civil Society Organizations (CSOs). **Women's organizations or entities are highly encouraged to apply.**
- 1.3 A description of the services required is described in CFP Section 1- C "Terms of Reference".
- 1.4 UNWOMEN may, at its discretion, cancel the services in part or in whole.
- 1.5 Proponents may withdraw the proposal after submission, provided that written notice of withdrawal is received by UN WOMEN prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of proposals. No proposal may be modified subsequent to the deadline for submission of proposal. No proposal may be withdrawn in the interval between the deadline for submission of proposals and the expiration of the period of proposal validity.
- 1.6 All proposals shall remain valid and open for acceptance for a period of 90 calendar days after the date specified for receipt of proposals. A proposal valid for a shorter period may be rejected. In exceptional circumstances, UNWOMEN may solicit the proponent's consent to an extension of the period of validity. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing.
- 1.7 Effective with the release of this CFP, all communications must be directed only to UNWOMEN, by email at bco.procurement@unwomen.org. Proponents must not communicate with any other personnel of UNWOMEN regarding this CFP.

2. Cost of proposal

2.1 The cost of preparing a proposal, attendance at any pre-proposal conference, meetings or oral presentations shall be borne by the proponents, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the CFP process. Proposals must offer the services for the total requirement; proposals offering only part of the services will be rejected.

3. Eligibility

3.1 Proponents must meet all mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria as set out in **Annex B-1**. See point 4 below for further explanation. Proponents will receive a pass/fail rating on this section. To be considered, proponents must meet all the mandatory criteria described in **Annex B-1**. UN-WOMEN reserves the right to verify any information contained in proponent's response or to request additional information after the proposal is received. Incomplete or inadequate responses, lack of response or misrepresentation in responding to any questions will result in disqualification.

4. Mandatory/pre-qualification criteria

- 4.1 The mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria have been designed to assure that, to the degree possible in the initial phase of the CFP selection process process, only those proponents with sufficient experience, the financial strength and stability, the demonstrable technical knowledge, the evident capacity to satisfy UNWOMEN requirements and superior customer references for supplying the services envisioned in this CFP will qualify for further consideration. UNWOMEN reserves the right to verify any information contained in proponent's response or to request additional information after the proposal is received. Incomplete or inadequate responses, lack of response or misrepresentation in responding to any questions will affect your evaluation.
- 4.2 Proponents will receive a pass/fail rating in the mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria section. In order to be considered for Phase I, proponents must meet all the mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria described in this CFP.

5. Clarification of CFP documents

5.1. A prospective proponent requiring any clarification of the CFP documents may notify UNWOMEN in writing at UNWOMEN email address indicated in the CFP by the specified date and time. UNWOMEN will respond in writing to any request for clarification of the CFP documents that it receives by the due date outlined on section 2. Written copies of UNWOMEN response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) will be posted using the same method as the original posting of this (CFP) document.

5.2. If the CFP has been advertised publicly, the results of any clarification exercise (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) will be posted on the advertised source.

6. Amendments to CFP documents

6.1. At any time prior to the deadline for submission of proposals, UNWOMEN may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective proponent, modify the CFP documents by amendment. All prospective proponents that have received the CFP documents will be notified in writing of all amendments to the CFP documents. For open competitions, all amendments will also be posted on the advertised source.

6.2. In order to afford prospective proponents reasonable time in which to take the amendment into account in preparing their proposals, UNWOMEN may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of proposal.

7. Language of proposal

7.1 The proposal prepared by the proponent and all correspondence and documents relating to the proposal exchanged between the proponent and UNWOMEN, shall be written in English.

7.2 Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the proponent may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an appropriate translation of all relevant passages in English. In any such case, for interpretation of the proposal, the translation shall prevail. The sole responsibility for translation and the accuracy thereof shall rest with the proponent.

8. Submission of proposal

8.1 Technical and financial proposals should be submitted as part of the template for proposal submission (Annex B2-3) in one email. with the CFP reference and the clear description of the proposal by the date and time stipulated in this document. If the emails and email attachments are not marked as instructed, UNWOMEN will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the proposals submitted. The email text body should indicate the name and address of the proponent.

All proposals should be sent by email to the following secure email address:

bco.procurement@unwomen.org

8.2 Proposals should be received by the date, time and means of submission stipulated in this CFP. Proponents are responsible for ensuring that UNWOMEN receives their proposal by the due date and time. Proposals received by UNWOMEN after the due date and time may be rejected.

8.3 When receiving proposals by email (as is required for the CFP), the receipt time stamp shall be the date and time when the submission has been received in the dedicated UNWOMEN inbox. UNWOMEN shall not be responsible for any delays caused by network problems, etc. It is the sole responsibility of proponents to ensure that their proposal is received by UNWOMEN in the dedicated inbox on or before the prescribed CFP deadline.

8.4 **Late proposals:** Any proposals received by UNWOMEN after the deadline for submission of proposals prescribed in this document, may be rejected.

9. Clarification of proposals

9.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of proposals, UNWOMEN may, at its discretion, ask the proponent for a clarification of its proposal. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing and no change in the price or substance of the proposal shall be sought, offered or permitted. UNWOMEN will review minor informalities, errors, clerical mistakes, apparent errors in price and missing documents in accordance with the UNWOMEN Policy and Procedures.

10. Proposal currencies

10.1 All prices shall be quoted in (local currency) **Bangladesh Taka (BDT)**

10.2 UNWOMEN reserves the right to reject any proposals submitted in another currency than the mandatory currency for the proposal stated above. UNWOMEN may accept proposals submitted in another currency than stated above if the proponent confirms during clarification of proposals, see item (8) above in writing, that it will accept a contract issued in the mandatory proposal currency and that for conversion the official United Nations operational rate of exchange of the day of CFP deadline as stated in the CFP letter shall apply.

10.3 Regardless of the currency of proposals received, the contract will always be issued and subsequent payments will be made in the mandatory currency for the proposal above.

11. Evaluation of technical and financial proposal

11.1 PHASE I – TECHNICAL PROPOSAL (70 points)

11.1.1 Only proponents meeting the mandatory criteria will advance to the technical evaluation in which a maximum possible 70 points may be determined. Technical evaluators who are members of an Evaluation Committee appointed by UNWOMEN will carry out the technical evaluation applying the evaluation criteria and point ratings as listed below. In order to advance beyond Phase I of the detailed evaluation process to Phase II (financial evaluation) a proposal must have achieved a minimum cumulative technical score of 50 points.

1	Proposal is compliant with the Call for Proposal (CfP) requirements	15 points
2	The Organization’s mandate is relevant to the work to be undertaken in the TORs (component 1)	20 points
3	The Proposal demonstrates a sound understanding of the requirements of the TOR and indicates that the organization has the prerequisite capacity to undertake the work successfully (components 2, 3 and 4)	35 points
	TOTAL	70 points

11.2 PHASE II - FINANCIAL PROPOSAL (30 points)

Financial proposals will be evaluated following completion of the technical evaluation. The proponent with the lowest evaluated cost will be awarded 30 points. Other financial proposals will receive pro-rated points based on the relationship of the proponents’ prices to that of the lowest evaluated cost.

Formula for computing points:

Points = (A/B) Financial Points

Example: Proponent A’s price is the lowest at \$10.00. Proponent A receives 30 points. Proponent B’s price is \$20.00.

Proponent B receives $(\$10.00/\$20.00) \times 30$ points = 15 points

12. Preparation of proposal

12.1 You are expected to examine all terms and instructions included in the CFP documents.

Failure to provide all requested information will be at proponent’s own risk and may result in rejection of proponent’s proposal.

12.2 Proponent’s proposal must be organized to follow the format of this CFP. Each proponent must respond to every stated request or requirement and indicate that proponent understands and confirms acceptance of UNWOMEN stated requirements. The proponent should identify any substantive assumption made in preparing its proposal. The deferral of a response to a question or issue to the contract negotiation stage is not acceptable. Any item not specifically addressed in the proponent’s proposal will be deemed as accepted by the proponent. The terms “proponent” and “contractor” refer to those organizations that submit a proposal pursuant to this CFP.

- 12.3 Where the proponent is presented with a requirement or asked to use a specific approach, the proponent must not only state its acceptance, but also describe, where appropriate, how it intends to comply. Failure to provide an answer to an item will be considered an acceptance of the item. Where a descriptive response is requested, failure to provide the same will be viewed as non-responsive.
- 12.4 The terms of reference in this document provides a general overview of the current operation. If the proponent wishes to propose alternatives or equivalents, the proponent must demonstrate that any such proposed change is equivalent or superior to UNWOMEN established requirements. Acceptance of such changes is at the sole discretion of UNWOMEN.
- 12.5 Proposals must offer services for the total requirement, unless otherwise permitted in the CFP document. Proposals offering only part of the services may be rejected unless permitted otherwise in the CFP document.
- 12.6 Proponent's proposal shall include all of the following labelled annexes:

13. CFP submission (on or before proposal due date):

As a minimum, proponents shall complete and return the below listed documents (Annexes to this CFP) **as an integral part of their proposal**. Proponents may add additional documentation to their proposals as they deem appropriate.

Failure to complete and return the below listed documents as part of the proposal may result in proposal rejection.

Part of proposal	Annex B-1 Mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria
Part of proposal	Annex B-2 Template for proposal submission
Part of proposal	Annex B-3 Format of resume for proposed staff
Part of proposal	Annex B-4 Capacity Assessment minimum Documents

If after assessing this opportunity you have made the determination not to submit your proposal, we would appreciate it if you could return this form indicating your reasons for non-participation.

13 Format and signing of proposal

13.1 The proposal shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by the proponent or a person or persons duly authorized to bind the proponent to the contract. The latter authorization shall be indicated by written power-of-attorney accompanying the proposal.

13.2. A proposal shall contain no interlineations, erasures, or overwriting except as necessary to correct errors made by the proponent, in which case such corrections shall be initialled by the person or persons signing the proposal.

14 Award

14.1 Award will be made to the responsible and responsive proponent with the highest evaluated proposal following negotiation of an acceptable contract. UNWOMEN reserves the right to conduct negotiations with the proponent regarding the contents of their proposal. The award will be in effect only after acceptance by the selected proponent of the terms and conditions and the terms of reference. **The agreement will reflect the name of the proponent whose financials were provided in response to this CFP.** Upon execution of agreement UNWOMEN will promptly notify the unsuccessful proponents.

14.2 The selected proponent is expected to commence providing services as of the date and time stipulated in this CFP.

14.3 The award will be for an agreement with an original term of six (6) months with the option to renew under the same terms and conditions for an additional period or periods as indicated by UNWOMEN.

Annex B-2 Template for proposal submission

Call for proposal

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Mandatory requirements/pre-qualification criteria

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Component 1: Organizational Background and Capacity to implement activities to achieve planned results (max 1.5 pages)

This section should provide an overview with relevant annexes that clearly demonstrate that the proposing organization has the capacity and commitment to implement successfully the proposed activities and produce results. Key elements to be covered in this section include:

1. Nature of the proposing organization – Is it a community-based organization, national or sub-national NGO, research or training institution, etc.?
2. Overall mission, purpose, and core programmes/services of the organization
3. Target population groups (women, indigenous peoples, youth, etc.)
4. Organizational approach (philosophy) - how does the organization deliver its projects, e.g., gender-sensitive, rights-based, etc.
5. Length of existence and relevant experience
6. Overview of organizational capacity relevant to the proposed engagement with UN Women (e.g., technical, governance and management, and financial and administrative management)

Component 2: Expected Results and Indicators (max 1.5 pages)

This section should articulate the proponent's understanding of the UN Women Terms of Reference (TOR). It should contain a clear and specific statement of what the proposal will accomplish in relation to the UN Women TOR. This should include:

1. The **problem statement** or challenges to be addressed given the context described in the TOR.

2. The specific **results** expected (e.g., outputs) through engagement of the proponent. The expected results are the measurable changes which will have occurred by the end of the planned intervention. Propose specific and measurable indicators which will form the basis for monitoring and evaluation. These indicators will be refined, and will form an important part of the agreement between the proposing organization and UNWOMEN.

Component 3: Description of the Technical Approach and Activities (max 2.5 pages)

This section should describe the technical approach and should be able to show the soundness and adequacy of the proposed approach, what will actually be done to produce the expected results in terms of activities. There should be a clear and direct linkage between the activities and the results at least at the output level. Specific strategies should also be described to support the achievement of results, such as building partnerships, etc.

Activity descriptions should be as specific as necessary, identifying **what** will be done, **who** will do it, **when** it will be done (beginning, duration, completion), and **where** it will be done. In describing the activities, an indication should be made regarding the organizations and individuals involved in or benefiting from the activity.

This narrative is to be complemented by a tabular presentation that will serve as Implementation Plan, as described in Component 4.

Component 4: Implementation Plan (max 1.5 pages)

This section is presented in tabular form and can be attached as an Annex. It should indicate the **sequence of all major activities and timeframe (duration)**. Provide as much detail as necessary. The Implementation Plan should show a logical flow of activities. Please include in the Implementation Plan all required milestone reports and monitoring reviews.

Implementation Plan

Project No:		Project Name:	
Name of Proponent Organization:			
Brief description of Project			
		Project Start and End Dates:	
Brief Description of Specific Results (e.g., Outputs) with corresponding indicators, baselines and targets. Repeat for each result			
List the activities necessary to produce the results Indicate who is responsible for each activity		Duration of Activity in Months (or Quarters)	

Activity	Responsible	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1.1													
1.2													
1.3													
1.4													

Monitoring and Evaluation Plan (max. 1 page)

This section should contain an explanation of the plan for monitoring and evaluating the activities, both during its implementation (formative) and at completion (summative). Key elements to be included are:

- How the performance of the activities will be tracked in terms of achievement of the steps and milestones set forth in the Implementation Plan
- How any mid-course correction and adjustment of the design and plans will be facilitated on the basis of feedback received
- How the participation of community members in the monitoring and evaluation processes will be achieved

Component 5: Risks to Successful Implementation (1 page)

Identify and list any major risk factors that could result in the activities not producing the expected results. These should include both internal factors (for example, the technology involved fails to work as projected) and external factors (for example, significant currency fluctuations resulting into changes in the economics of the activity). Describe how such risks are to be mitigated.

Include in this section also the key **assumptions** on which the activity plan is based on. In this case, the assumptions are mostly related to external factors (for example, government environmental policy remaining stable) which are anticipated in planning, and on which the feasibility of the activities depend

Component 6: Results-Based Budget (max. 1.5 pages)

The development and management of a realistic budget is an important part of developing and implementing successful activities. Careful attention to issues of financial management and integrity will enhance the effectiveness and impact. The following important principles should be kept in mind in preparing a project budget:

- Include costs which relate to efficiently carrying out the activities and producing the results which are set forth in the proposal. Other associated costs should be funded from other sources.

- The budget should be realistic. Find out what planned activities will actually cost, and do not assume that would cost less.
- The budget should include all costs associated with managing and administering the activity or results, particularly include the cost of monitoring and evaluation.
- The budget could include “Support Costs”: those indirect costs that are incurred to operate the Partner as a whole or a segment thereof and that cannot be easily connected or traced to implementation of the Work, i.e., operating expenses, over-head costs and general costs connected to the normal functioning of an organization/business, such as cost for support staff, office space and equipment that are not Direct Costs.
- “Support Cost Rate” means the flat rate at which the Partner will be reimbursed by UN Women for its Support Costs, as set forth in the Partner Project Document and not exceeding a rate of 8% or the rate set forth in the Donor Specific Conditions, if that is lower. The flat rate is calculated on the eligible Direct Costs.
- The budget line items are general categories intended to assist in thinking through where money will be spent. If a planned expenditure does not appear to fit in any of the standard line item categories, list the item under other costs, and state what the money is to be used for.
- The figures contained in the Budget Sheet should agree with those on the proposal header and text.

Result 1 (e.g. Output) Repeat this table for each result.				
Expenditure Category	Year 1, [Local currency]	Total, [local currency]	US\$	% Total
1. Personnel				
2. Equipment / Materials				
3. Training / Seminars / Travel Workshops				
4. Contracts		..		
5. Other costs ⁴				
6. Incidentals				
7. Other support requested		..		
8. Support Cost (not to exceed 8% or the relevant donor %)				
Total Cost for Result 1				

⁴ “Other costs” refers to any other costs that is not listed in the Results-Based Budget. Please specify in the footnote what they are: _____

I, (Name) _____ certify that I am (Position) _____
of (Name of Organization) _____; that by signing this Proposal for and on behalf of (Name
of Organization) _____, I am certifying that all information contained herein is accurate and truthful
and that the signing of this Proposal is within the scope of my powers.

I, by signing this Proposal, commit to be bound by this Technical Proposal for carrying out the range of services as specified in
the CFP package and respecting the Terms and Conditions stated in the UN Women Partner Agreement template (Document
attached).

(Seal)

(Signature)

(Printed Name and Title)

(Date)

Annex B-3 Format of resume for proposed staff

Call for proposal

Description of Services: Building capacity of women and key stakeholders at national and grassroots level to contribute to effective implementation of National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (NAP WPS)

CFP No. UNW-AP-BGD-WPS-CFP-2021-001

Name of Staff: _____

Title: _____

Years with NGO: _____ Nationality: _____

Education/Qualifications: (Summarize college/university and other specialized education of staff member, giving names of schools, dates attended and degrees-professional qualifications obtained).

Employment Record/Experience

(Starting with present position, list in reverse order, every employment held. List all positions held by staff member since graduation, giving dates, names of employing organization, title of position held and location of employment. For experience in last five years, detail the type of activities performed, degree of responsibilities, location of assignments and any other information or professional experience considered pertinent for this assignment).

References

Provide names and addresses for two (2) references.

Annex B-4

Capacity Assessment minimum Documents

(to be submitted by potential Responsible Parties and submission assessed by the reviewer)

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CFP No. **UNW-AP-BGD-WPS-CFP-2021-001**

Governance, Management and Technical

Document	Mandatory / Optional
Legal registration	Mandatory
Rules of Governance / Statues of the organization	Mandatory
Organigram of the organization	Mandatory
List of Key management	Mandatory
CVs of Key Staff proposed for the engagement with UN Women	Mandatory
Anti-Fraud Policy Framework which is consistent with UN women's one or adoption of UN Women anti-fraud policy	Mandatory
Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) policy consistent with the UN SEA bulletin ST/SGB/2003/13	Mandatory
Where RP has adopted UN Women SEA Protocol, RP has to ensure to have developed a SEA policy;	

Administration and Finance

Document	Mandatory / Optional
Administrative and Financial Rules of the organization	Mandatory
Internal Control Framework	Mandatory
Audited Statements of last 3 years	Mandatory
List of Banks	Mandatory
Name of External Auditors	

Procurement

Document	Mandatory / Optional
Procurement Policy/Manual	Mandatory
Templates of the solicitation documents for procurement of goods/services, e.g. Request for Quotation (FRQ), Request for Proposal (RFP) etc.	Mandatory
List of main suppliers / vendors and copy of their contract(s) including evidence of their selection processes	

Client Relationship

Document	Mandatory / Optional
List of main clients / donors	Mandatory
Two references	Mandatory
Past reports to clients / donors for last 3 years	