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BID CLARIFICATION

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Dear Prospective Bidders,

Please see below clarification request received from bidders and response provided by AUC

Procurement Number:	AUC/IED/C011
Subject of Procurement:	Consultancy Services to undertake Resource Assessment and GIS Mapping for Small Hydropower Potential in Southern Africa" (Procurement Ref No. AUC/IED/C011)

Clarification request received

• Is there any indication of the anticipated level of effort (i.e. person months) expected for this mandate?

Response

The estimated level of effort is 15-20 per-months. However, the bidders are free to make their own estimate based on their assessment of the Terms of Reference

Clarification request received:

 As part of the baseline study, it is stated that an assessment should be conducted of the "technical capacity" availability – could you kindly elaborate on what this refers to? Does technical capacity refer to the human resources capacity within each country or is it referring to something else?

Response;

- "technical capacity" refers to the human resources capacity within each country i.e Small Hydropower Experts, Managers, Operation & Maintenance technicians versus the planned and installed capacity.
- Clarification request received: Expected outputs, under section 4.1 of the ToR lists that the consultant provide a regional baseline report which contains, amongst other items, information on <u>existing hydropower resource</u> potential, <u>projected activities and</u> <u>potential sites</u>, and <u>technical capacity availability</u>. As these outputs are requested in the initial baseline study, we assume that:
 - The existing hydropower resource potential refers to the installed capacity in each country,
 - The projected activities and potential sites refers to small hydropower plants that are known to be planned for development in each country, and
 - Technical capacity availability refers to the human resources capacity within each country.

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Could you kindly confirm whether our above interpretations are correct and/or correct them, as appropriate?

Response;

The above understanding is correct. However, the hydropower resource potential also includes even known hydropower resources that may not yet be developed.

• **Clarification request received:** Which non-public data sources (ministry shapefiles, prior studies, station readings in basins, etc) will the AUC facilitate from agencies in each of the ten countries?

Response; The AUC in collaboration with SADC Secretariat, SADC Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (SACREEE) and focal persons will support the consultants as much as possible to obtain data that they may require from the ten countries.

 Clarification request received: As per the ToR, the web based GIS mapping will facilitate knowledge sharing by different stakeholders such as project developers, utilities, energy ministries, etc. for supporting the identification and implementation of small hydropower projects in the region. Is it to be assumed that project developers, utilities, ministries, etc. will serve as the primary users of the web-based GIS tool?

Response; Yes