Welcome to this Procurement by IUCN. You are hereby invited to submit a Proposal. Please read the information and instructions carefully because non-compliance with the instructions may result in disqualification of your Proposal from this Procurement.

The award of the contract to the successful bidder is subject to the approval of the project by the 64th GEF Council Meeting which will be held on 26-30 June 2023.

1. REQUIREMENTS

1.1. A detailed description of the services and/or goods to be provided can be found in Attachment 1.

2. CONTACT DETAILS

2.1. During the course of this procurement, i.e., from the publication of this RfP to the award of a contract, you may not discuss this procurement with any IUCN employee or representative other than the following contact. You must address all correspondence and questions to the contact, including your proposal.

IUCN Contact: Louchrisha Hussain, louchrisha.hussain@iucn.org Oceania Regional Offi(our)-6 ENp0.0.T2u

3.1. This timetable is indicative and may be
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DATE	ACTIVITY
23 May 2023	Publication of the Request for Proposals

3June 2023

3.2. Please email the IUCN contact to express your interest in submitting a proposal by the deadline stated above. This will help IUCN to keep you updated regarding the procurement.

4. COMPLETING AND SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL

4.1. Your Proposal must consist of the following four separate documents:

- Signed Declaration of Undertaking (see Attachment 2)
- Pre-Qualification Information (see Section 4.3 below)
- Technical Proposal (see Section 4.4 below)
- Financial Proposal (see Section 4.5 below)

Proposals must be prepared in English.

4.2. Your Proposal must be submitted by email to the IUCN Contact (see Section 2). The subject heading of the email shall be [RfP Reference – bidder name]. The bidder's name is the name of the company/organisation on whose behalf you are submitting the proposal, or your own surname if you are bidding as a self-employed consultant. Your proposal must be submitted in PDF format. You may submit multiple emails suitably annotated,

6. EXPLANATION OF PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE

and some 10,000 experts. It is a leading provider of conservation data, assessments and analysis. Its broad membership enables IUCN to fill the role of incubator and trusted repository of best practices, tools and international standards.

IUCN provides a neutral space in which diverse stakeholders including governments, NGOs, scientists, businesses, local communities, indigenous peoples organisations and others can work together to forge and implement solutions to environmental challenges and achieve sustainable development.

Working with many partners and supporters, IUCN implements a large and diverse portfolio of conservation projects worldwide. Combining the latest science with the traditional knowledge of local communities, these projects work to reverse habitat loss, restore ecosystems and improve people's well-being.

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12. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 Terms of Reference

Attachment 2 Declaration of Undertaking (select 2a for companies or 2b for self-employed as applicable to you)

Attachment 3 Contract Template

ATTACHMENT 1

Background of the project:

IUCN, International Union for Conservation of Nature, is the world's largest and most diverse environmental network. IUCN's work focuses on valuing and conserving nature, ensuring effective and equitable governance of its use, and deploying nature-based solutions to global challenges in climate, food and development. In 2014, IUCN became an accredited Project Agency of the Global Environment Facility (GEF).

The GEF funded Blue and Green Islands Integrated Program is one of 11 integrated programs formulated under the GEF 8 programmatic directions. The overall Program Objective of the Integrated Program whose development is led by UNDP is to "Move towards an Equitable, Nature-positive, Carbon neutral and pollution free world". The programme will be focusing on three broad areas to advance transformational systems regionally and globally.

The Federated States of Micronesia's project, "Micronesia: Tourism Support for Biodiversity Conservation" child project EOI with IUCN as the GEF Agency was selected by GEF Secretariat to be funded under the GEF 8 Blue Green Islands integrated program.

The goal of the FSM project is to protect and improve ecosystems and livelihoods in the states of Yap and Kosrae. The project will implement activities that will create enabling and conducive environment to integrate nature into tourism planning. A key deliverable of the project is creating mechanisms and methodology(ies) that will support investments in establishing and managing PAs. With challenges including limited land and water resources, vulnerability to climate change and natural disasters, limited institutional and technical capacity, and limited economic opportunities, it is critical that future national and state level developments are aligned and planned in a collaborative manner. These challenges are exacerbated by the country's geographic isolation and small population, which limit its

and Social Impact assessment report and Environmental and Social Management Plan or other safeguard plans or tools as identified by the Screening)
- GEF CEO Endorsement Request (CEO-Doc)

The ProDoc shall clearly identify the approach and content of the “Micronesia: Tourism Support for Biodiversity Conservation” project, and to ensure that the project’s incremental reasoning, cost-effectiveness, risk and mitigation issues are addressed through a widespread and thorough consultation process with stakeholders and project partners. As a condition for achieving CEO Endorsement, the ProDoc need to be clearly aligned with the Blue Green Islands Integrated Program and identify clear strategies and operational processes that will contribute to the global impact that the Blue Green Islands aims to achieve.

- Clear analysis of adaptation to climate change requirements during project implementation.
- Detailed analysis of key relevant stakeholders (including at project site level –state) and their roles in problems and barriers resolutions, including analysing what are the interests of these stakeholders related to the project, how will stakeholders' interests be affected (positively/negatively) by the project, which stakeholders are the most vulnerable and subject to potential adverse impacts; plan stakeholder involvement for designing the project (see IUCN Guidance Note Stakeholder Engagement)
- Analysis of gender situation and issues related to tourism development and management and PA governance, opportunities, risks, participatory processes and barriers in the targeted states.
- Analysis of transversal aspects of tourism development (uses and associated ecosystems), and research and development (Livelihood, environment, climate change, research and development) and women access to natural resources and PA for economic activities.
- Analysis of the economic and financial aspects of tourism and PA management and governance (Economic and financial instruments of tourism and PA management, Investments in the tourism sector and its contribution to economic development, Financing transnational water resources management).
- Identification of potential project partners, including the executing agency, existing projects on the ground and in the pipeline, and synergies.
- Confirmation of co-financing opportunities.
- Mapping of Yap and Kosrae Protected Areas and existing and potential tourism sites, identification of critical areas and target communities.
- Prepare gender analysis and gender action plan;
- Draft logical framework with disaggregated gender indicators, the theory of change and the baseline for the GEF Core indicators of the project (ref. IUCN Gender equality and women's empowerment policy).
- Prepare preliminary risk analysis
- Conduct inception workshop for the project preparation phase and other relevant consultations workshops (validation).
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2) Project design

- Deep analysis of capacities constraints and proposition of alternatives plans and solutions.

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Approval by IUCN of baseline studies, draft logical framework and theory of change	20%
Approval by IUCN of draft proposal (incl. annexes) and CEO endorsement after internal consultation	20%
Approval by IUCN of full project documentation before submission to GEF	20%
Completion of GEF and IUCN Validation and submission to CEO	10%
After GEF CEO approval following addressing feedback from GEF Secretariat	10%