

### Catalogue of Questions from Bidders

Client: German Red Cross – General Secretariat  
 Tender name: Global Projects Evaluation 2024 – focus: locally led approaches  
 Tender number: T63-MEAL-2024-01  
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 As of: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024

*Bidders are obliged to take note of the answers listed below that the client provided in response to questions of potential bidders in the context of the tender specified above. The answers represent changes, additions and specifications of the tender documents; they hence constitute an integral part of the tender documents and become a legally binding part of the contract.*

No.	Reference	Question(s)	Answer	Answer was provided on:
1.	4. Evaluation design and methodology, mixed methods  5. Evaluation process with timetable	There is a <b>trade-off between depth and breadth</b> of data collection and analysis. The methods mix suggested in the TOR clearly aims for breadth. Depth could be added by using individual case studies, but that would require an additional LoE of 20-40 days. Hence, the first question is: Would DRK consider a modular proposal with an <b>option for additional LoE</b> so that questions of the type "what works" can be answered more robustly?	Yes, we can consider a modular proposal but within the overall timeframe and range mentioned in the terms of reference (40-45 days, submission no later than 15 <sup>th</sup> November). Additional days are based on German procurement regulations and could be submitted as "alternative offer" / "Nebenangebot". The terms of reference are adjusted to this end.	11.04.2024
2.	3. Task description, scope	<b>Does DRK have an up-to-date database</b> (or simple spreadsheet) <b>with key information on all host national societies and</b>	The DRK does not have a database of general information regarding National Societies. However, as a member of the International Federation of Red	11.04.2024

		<p><b>other</b> movement partners? If so, what specific information does the database include?</p>	<p>Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), it utilizes (and contributes to) data from this site: <a href="https://www.ifrc.org/who-we-are/international-red-cross-and-red-crescent-movement/about-national-societies">https://www.ifrc.org/who-we-are/international-red-cross-and-red-crescent-movement/about-national-societies</a></p> <p>A list of National Societies that GRC cooperates with has been attached to the updated tender documents.</p>	
3.	5.3 Responsibilities and duties	<p>To apply the proposed method mix within the proposed LoE while respecting professional standards, <b>DRK support will be needed</b>. The TOR mention that DRK would schedule interviews and arrange travel as needed. That will be extremely helpful. Will DRK also provide support in the following ways: (a) structuring and prioritising the repository of documentation made available to the evaluator and (b) survey administration?</p>	<p>A) Yes. B) possible, but will be further discussed based on the technical proposal</p>	11.04.2024
4.	4. Evaluation design and methodology, participatory primary data collection	<p>There is a statement on page 7 to the effect that "collection of primary data should aim for a high level of <b>participation</b>". A definition of the term "participation" would be helpful here - for instance, does this simply refer to a high response rate and a large number of interviews? Or does it mean that the evaluator is expected to remain in close contact and consultation with key DRK stakeholders throughout the evaluation process (i.e., a utilisation-based approach)? Or does it refer to participatory evaluation design, which would require considerable additional resources so that national chapters and movements members would codesign evaluation questions and the evaluation process, and fully participate in data analysis.</p>	<p>Participation would refer to: (i) number/rate of responses and (ii) regular contact/consultation with key DRK stakeholders</p>	11.04.2024

5.	3. Task description, scope	Am I correct to assume that the evaluation team is expected to compile basic data on the supported national societies, e.g., their staff and membership, their types of activities, their budgets and so forth, or is that data readily available somewhere?	No. Most of this information will be available in the link provided in Q #2.	15.04.2024
6.	3. Task description, scope	Do all supported national societies and other movements routinely communicate in English?	In general yes but there will be some exceptions; some are only Spanish, French or Arabic speaking. Costs for translation is as per the Terms of Reference	15.04.2024
7.	3. Task description, scope	A new version of the TOR has been posted. Which sections of the original TOR have been modified?	The changes, additions and amendments to the ToR are highlighted in the revised document in yellow with the date of change indicated in [...].	15.04.2024
8.	3. Task description, scope	In the different documents shared, we could not find the precise number of countries involved in GP-II: should we consider that the <a href="#">List of National Societies that the German Red Cross cooperates with</a> , is the list of countries involved in GP-II?	A list of countries supported by GPII has been added in the tender documents.	18.04.2024
9.	3. Task description, scope	To consider the countries involved in GP- I to better define criteria for country selection, could you kindly share the list (phase I and II) of GP-I with us?	Please use list already provided (as referenced in the previous question). These countries were also in the first phase of GPI.	18.04.2024
10.	8. Application, award and contractual details	Do the provisions there (further costs linked to primary data collection) mean that any work of local consultants (e.g. for independently conducting in-country case studies, overseen by the core team) who do not form part of the core evaluation team would not count towards the total of 40-45 consultancy days?	Since the countries to be visited for primary data collection are not known - to be finalized by GRC with the selected consultant - the costs for implementation pertaining to doing surveys or FGDs in-country, for example, cannot be included in the financial proposal. We see this as different from working with a national consultant, be it for primary data collection, case studies or other purposes. For sub-contracting, the terms will be based on the draft contract. Any sub-contracting will also be discussed with GRC and mentioned explicitly in the technical proposal. The cost should	22.04.2024

			be reflected in the financial proposal as part of 40-45 total days.	
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