

187899-2026 - Competition

Germany – Foreign economic-aid-related services – 7000000558-Technical assistance and capacity development to SUN partner countries, in support of implementation of SUN 4.0 strategy

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

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Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking, controlled by a central government authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: 7000000558-Technical assistance and capacity development to SUN partner countries, in support of implementation of SUN 4.0 strategy

Description: The Multi-Donor Action "Capacity for Nutrition 2.0" (C4N 2.0) is jointly co-financed by the European Union (EU) and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH as part of the BMZ Global Programme (GP) "Knowledge and Policy Coherence for Nutrition" (KPCN). C4N 2.0 contributes to the following overall objective: "To contribute to the transition to inclusive, climate-neutral, resilient and sustainable agri-aquatic food systems". The specific objective of C4N 2.0 is "to support the nutrition and gender sensitive transformation of agri-food systems". Good nutrition is a human rights marker and a driver of health, resilience, economic development and stability. Multiple crises and competing budgets jeopardize shifts toward efforts to transform agri-food systems to support healthy and sustainable diets. Effective nutrition requires multisectoral approaches and sustained investments across sectors. Strengthened nutrition governance will be essential for advancing nutrition integration, including a reinforced Team Europe approach and enhanced multistakeholder engagement and coordination. Ensuring sustainable, resilient, and healthy diets is critical to both improve nutrition and mitigate climate change. Climate change exacerbates all forms of malnutrition via reduced yields, damaged infrastructure and heightened disease susceptibility, while today's food systems significantly drive climate change and environmental degradation. Healthy diets are key to poverty reduction and climate adaptation/mitigation. Achieving SDG 2 within planetary boundaries requires jointly addressing the food-nutrition security, climate and gender interlinkages. Implementation challenges include low political prioritization, capacity and investment gaps, and inadequate frameworks. C4N 2.0 addresses the nutrition-climate-gender nexus to drive food systems transformation for healthy, sustainable diets. Building on N4G momentum and the EUR6.5bn Team Europe pledge, C4N 2.0 promotes nutrition integration in global, regional and national agendas, supporting climate-smart, gender-transformative policies and interventions, including via Global Gateway blended finance investments. It strengthens the alliance between the European Commission and Germany, extending to EU member states and like-minded

countries (Team Europe+) for greater coherence and efficiency in line with Global Gateway. This will be achieved through 4 mutually reinforcing outputs: Output 1: Positioning - Coherent and evidence-based positions on the Nutrition-climate-gender nexus are developed to promote healthy and sustainable diets in a Team Europe+ approach. Output 2: Advisory -Increased technical capacities of INTPA, EUDs and BMZ to scale up effective, equitable, sustainable, and resilient nutrition policy responses and outreach at global, regional, and national levels. Output 3: Country support - Improved technical and institutional capacities to implement evidence-based recommendations for integrated climate- and gender-sensitive nutrition action in (SUN) partner countries. Output 4: Stakeholder Engagement - Nutrition integration is supported through civil society organisations, think tanks and academia. These outputs will be implemented through tailored technical assistance (TA), capacity development (CD), grant mechanisms, and multilevel coordination with EU and BMZ partners. The Action builds on the achievements of the first C4N phase and leverages established networks in Senegal, Kenya, and Thailand as regional hubs. C4N 2.0 has a duration of 41 months (1 April 2026 to 31 August 2029).

Procedure identifier: 49bc5a3a-485e-4538-a5ab-3cdfe5f16b4a

Internal identifier: 7000000558

Type of procedure: Negotiated with prior publication of a call for competition / competitive with negotiation

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 75211200 Foreign economic-aid-related services

Additional classification (cpv): 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: #Bekanntmachungs-ID: CXTRY6YTG01ZFYZ# All communication takes place in English via communication tool in the project area of the procurement portal.

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

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2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Notice

Breaching of obligations set under purely national exclusion grounds: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Participation in a criminal organisation:

Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities:

Money laundering or terrorist financing:

Fraud:

Corruption:

Child labour and including other forms of trafficking in human beings:

Breaching obligation relating to payment of taxes:

Breaching obligation relating to payment of social security contributions:

Breaching of obligations in the fields of environmental law:

Breaching of obligations in the fields of social law:

Breaching of obligations in the fields of labour law:

Insolvency:

Assets being administered by liquidator:

Business activities are suspended:

Analogous situation like bankruptcy, insolvency or arrangement with creditors under national law:

Grave professional misconduct:

Agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition:

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure:

Direct or indirect involvement in the preparation of this procurement procedure:

Early termination, damages, or other comparable sanctions:

Misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents or obtained confidential information of this procedure:

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

Title: 7000000558-Technical assistance and capacity development to SUN partner countries, in support of implementation of SUN 4.0 strategy

Description: Technical assistance and capacity development to SUN partner countries, in support of implementation of SUN 4.0 strategy: Tasks to be performed by the contractor

Objectives, outputs and indicators: The contractor contributes to achieving the following objectives: - Overall objective: Contribute to the transition to inclusive, climate-neutral, resilient and sustainable agri-aquatic food systems - Specific objective: Support the nutrition- and gender-sensitive transformation of agri-food systems. The contractor mainly contributes to Output 3: County Support - Improved technical and institutional capacities to implement evidence-based recommendations for integrated climate- and gender-sensitive nutrition action in (SUN) partner countries. Indicators of Output 3: - 3.1. Number of partner countries, with focus on SUN members and NIPNs, that have received advice on the implementation of recommendations from global agendas and regional processes for integrated climate- and gender-sensitive nutrition action. - 3.2. Number of technical contributions and implementation experiences on climate- and gender-sensitive nutrition integration introduced by (SUN) partner countries into global, regional and national processes. - 3.3. Number of individuals in partner countries reached by C4N 2.0 supported TA or CD measures related to the Nutrition-climate-gender nexus or data value-chains. In parallel, the contractor is expected to support the strategic objectives (SO) of the SUN 4.0 strategy, as follows: - SO1: To Strengthen and Sustain Strong Policy and Advocacy Environments - SO2: To Enhance Sustainability, Knowledge Management and Capacity Strengthening - SO3: To Increase Sustainable Financing for Nutrition. On that basis, three main domains of interventions are planned: Nutrition-Climate-Gender Nexus ("The Triple Nexus"); Nutrition Data, and Nutrition Finance. Mode of implementation: demand-driven technical assistance and capacity development (TA /DC), mostly of a short to medium-term nature, with assignments emanating from requests to KPCN/C4N 2.0 from SUN countries and networks or other actors in the food sector collected, prioritised and processed in accordance with BMZ and EU guidelines. Once a decision will be made by KPCN/C4N 2.0 to implement a request, the Contractor will be informed, with respective expert(s) to be then identified and mobilised. Within the three domains, requests and their scope may vary in duration - short to medium-term - and geographical coverage - mostly SUN countries in Asia and Africa. Therefore, the skills and experiences of the requested experts are extensive. The project will be implemented by a mix of key experts and two pools of experts. The experts will be expected to be available throughout the project and

on an ad-hoc basis and their services are requested on-demand to deliver tasks on a short notice based corresponding specific assignments drawn up by GIZ. Non-exhaustive list of assignments within each of the three domains of interventions. (i) Nutrition-Climate-Gender nexus Objective: Strengthen integrated climate- and gender-sensitive nutrition action in SUN partner countries through TA/CD for (SUN) Partner Countries, civil society, private sector, regional SUN focal points and multi-stakeholder platforms. Key assignments: - Integrate nutrition in climate policies and climate in nutrition policies as well as in strategies and plans, incl. accountability frameworks. - Build resilience of vulnerable groups (e.g., nutrition-sensitive social safety nets). - Promote adaptation (e.g., food system and livelihood diversification). - Build national capacity on data/evidence for integrated climate- and gender-sensitive action. - Advise on standardized nutrition indicators that incorporate climate risks, shocks, vulnerabilities. - Enhance public-private collaboration and accountability - Identify nutrition financing options, including climate finance. - Develop strategies/action plans for food environments (labelling, consumer behaviour). (ii) Nutrition Data and NIS Objective: Provide technical guidance to strengthen national Nutrition Information Systems (NIS) across the Data Value Chain-collection, analysis, dissemination, monitoring and use for decision-making-ultimately reinforcing SUN countries" systems. Key assignments: - Diagnose existing NIS and their integration in national programming, policy and institutions. - Support evidence-based program planning (e.g., LiST and other methodologies). - Map data and review survey calendars to identify gaps, harmonization opportunities and new data needs. - Deliver TA and training on M&E including healthy diet monitoring. - Develop policy briefs, technical notes. - Integrate gender and equity in all outputs. - Facilitate consultations, workshops and peer learning between NIPN and non-NIPN countries. (iii) Finance Objective: Support countries to diversify nutrition finance sources, including innovative and private finance. Key assignments: - Support countries in their nutrition resource mobilization efforts, involving the public and private sector; support areas include: - financing mechanisms, involving private sector or public/private partnership. - guidance for countries to mobilise funding from selected partners, (e.g. foundations, development banks, private finance, blended finance). - design of innovative finance tools, such as SSB Taxation - barriers to nutrition investments/ strengthening investment readiness - Knowledge sharing events on the above-mentioned topics - Partnership strengthening: Build country-level relationships with private sector for PPPs in nutrition finance; Collaborate with MDBs, DFIs, PDBs to meet criteria for new financing. - Nutrition finance tracking: TA to countries on tracking/tagging nutrition finance; TA to civil society on nutrition budget advocacy.

Internal identifier: 7000000558

5.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

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Options:

Description of the options: GIZ may optionally commission contract amendments and/or increases based on the criteria in the tender documents to the successful bidder of this tender. For details, please see the terms of reference.

5.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 18 Months

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 2

Other information about renewals: GIZ may optionally commission contract amendments and /or increases based on the criteria in the tender documents to the successful bidder of this tender. For details, please see the terms of reference.

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

The names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to perform the contract must be given: Not required

Procurement Project fully or partially financed with EU Funds.

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

This procurement is also suitable for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs): yes

Additional information: #Besonders auch geeignet für:other-sme#

5.1.7. Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: Reduction of environmental impacts

Description: Cf. tender documents

Aim of strategic procurement: Fulfilment of social objectives

Description: Cf. tender documents

Approach to reducing environmental impacts: The transition to a circular economy, Climate change mitigation, Pollution prevention and control

Social objective promoted: Ethnic equality, Gender equality, Human rights due diligence in global supply chains, Fair working conditions, Other

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Notice

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: EN-A1: Principles for the execution of orders (Mit dem Teilnahmeantrag; Mittels Eigenerklärung): The eligibility criteria are not from the same category as stipulated above, as there is no suitable category. 1. Self-declaration: name of company and address, tax ID, registration and commercial register number or equivalent register in accordance with the legal provisions of the country of origin. 2. No grounds for exclusion pursuant to § 123, § 124 GWB, § 22 LkSG, EU-Russia sanctions 3. Declaration of bidding consortium and/or declaration of subcontractors (if applicable)

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: EN-A2: Conditions for the reduction of candidates (Mit dem Teilnahmeantrag; Mittels Eigenerklärung): If we receive more than 4 requests to participate, we will make a selection on the basis of the criteria laid out in the procurement documents and invite tenders only from the 3 candidates with the highest scores. We reserve the right to cancel the procurement procedure if we receive fewer than 3 requests to participate. Weighted criteria for the selection of candidates: 1. Technical experience (70%) Interface between nutrition and climate and/or gender (15%) Nutrition Data and Monitoring Systems (15%) Nutrition finance options including innovative and private finance (15%) Management of a consultant pool for a third party (e.g. GIZ or EU) (10%) Collaboration with Development Banks and private sector in food systems (15%) 2. Regional experience in Africa (20%) 3. Experience of development projects (at least 50% ODA-financed) (10%)

Criterion: References on specified services

Description of selection criterion: EN-B1: Technical and professional ability (Mit dem Teilnahmeantrag; Mittels Eigenerklärung): 1. The technical assessment is based only on reference projects with a minimum commission value of 300,000 EUR (net, in words: three hundred thousand Euro). 2. At least 3 reference projects in the technical field of Nutrition and 2 reference projects in the technical field of Sustainable Food Systems and thereof at least 1 reference in the region of Asia and 4 references in the region of Africa, all of which in the last 36 months (reference date: date of publication of this tender).

Criterion: Average yearly turnover

Description of selection criterion: EN-C1: Economic and financial standing (Mit dem Teilnahmeantrag; Mittels Eigenerklärung): Average annual turnover for the last three years (last-but-four financial year can be included in case of tenders held within 6 months of end of last financial year), at least: 2 million EUR (net).

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: EN-C2: Economic and financial standing (Mit dem Teilnahmeantrag; Mittels Eigenerklärung): Average number of employees and managers in the last three calendar years, at least 20 persons.

Criterion: References on specified services

Description of selection criterion: Assessment of technical eligibility / weighted criteria for the selection of candidates - Weighted criteria for the selection of candidates: 1. Technical experience (70%) Interface between nutrition and climate and/or gender (15%) Nutrition Data and Monitoring Systems (15%) Nutrition finance options including innovative and private finance (15%) Management of a consultant pool for a third party (e.g. GIZ or EU) (10%) Collaboration with Development Banks and private sector in food systems (15%) 2. Regional experience in Africa(20%) 3. Experience of development projects (at least 50% ODA-financed) (10%)

The criteria will be used to select the candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure

Weight (percentage, exact): 100,00

Information about the second stage of a two-stage procedure:

Minimum number of candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure: 3

Maximum number of candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure: 4

The procedure will take place in successive stages. At each stage, some participants may be eliminated

The buyer reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without any further negotiations

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Price

Name: Preis

Description: Price criteria for "Bestangebots-Quotienten-Methode"

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (points, exact)

Award criterion number: 30

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung (inkl. Mindbed.)

Description: Zur Ermittlung des wirtschaftlichsten Bieters wird hier von der Vergabestelle die erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung eingetragen. Es werden nur Angebote mit einer fachlichen Bewertung von mindestens 500 Punkten gewertet. Fachliche Angebote mit weniger Punkten scheiden als fachlich ungeeignet aus.

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (points, exact)

Award criterion number: 70

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung (inkl. Mindbed.)

Description: Zur Ermittlung des wirtschaftlichsten Bieters wird hier von der Vergabestelle die erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung eingetragen. Es werden nur Angebote mit einer fachlichen Bewertung von mindestens 500 Punkten gewertet. Fachliche Angebote mit weniger Punkten scheiden als fachlich ungeeignet aus.

Category of award threshold criterion: Minimum score

Award criterion number: 500

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: English

Deadline for requesting additional information: 07/04/2026 23:59:59 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Address of the procurement documents: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6YTG01ZFYZ/documents>

Ad hoc communication channel:

URL: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6YTG01ZFYZ>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of the procedure:

Estimated date of dispatch of the invitations to submit tenders: 11/05/2026

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6YTG01ZFYZ>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: English

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Variants: Not allowed

Tenderers may submit more than one tender: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of requests to participate: 17/04/2026 12:00:00 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Information that can be supplemented after the submission deadline:

At the discretion of the buyer, some missing tenderer-related documents may be submitted later.

Additional information: GIZ asks the applicant or bidder to submit, complete or correct documents, within the framework laid down by law.

Terms of contract:

The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No

Conditions relating to the performance of the contract: The execution conditions result from the information given in the contract notice and the tender documents.

Electronic invoicing: Required

Electronic ordering will be used: yes

Electronic payment will be used: yes

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement:

No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Vergabekammern des Bundes

Information about review deadlines: According to Article 160, Section 3 of the German Act Against Restraint of Competition (GWB), application for review is not permissible insofar as 1. the applicant has identified the claimed infringement of the procurement rules before submitting the application for review and has not submitted a complaint to the contracting authority within a period of 10 calendar days; the expiry of the period pursuant to Article 134, Section 2 remains unaffected, 2. complaints of infringements of procurement rules that are evident in the tender notice are not submitted to the contracting authority at the latest by the expiry of the deadline for the application or by the deadline for the submission of bids, specified in the tender notice. 3. complaints of infringements of procurement rules that first become evident in the tender documents are not submitted to the contracting authority at the latest by the expiry of the deadline for application or by the deadline for the submission of bids, 4. more than 15 calendar days have expired since receipt of notification from the contracting authority that it is unwilling to redress the complaint. Sentence 1 does not apply in the case of an application to determine the invalidity of the contract in accordance with Article 135, Section 1 (2). Article 134, Section 1, Sentence 2 remains unaffected.

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

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Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure

Organisation receiving requests to participate

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Vergabekammern des Bundes

Registration number: 022894990
Postal address: Kaiser-Friedrich-Straße 16
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Country: Germany
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Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: Datenservice Öffentlicher Einkauf (in Verantwortung des Beschaffungsamts des BMI)

Registration number: 0204:994-DOEVD-83

Town: Bonn

Postcode: 53119

Country subdivision (NUTS): Bonn, Kreisfreie Stadt (DEA22)

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Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

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