

Belgium-Louvain: Evaluation consultancy services

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Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

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I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://www.rikolto.org/en/category/news>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Other type: Non-governmental organisation

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: International Development — Sustainable Food Systems

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

End-line Impact Assessment of the 2017-2021 DGD-funded Programme Implemented by Rikolto

II.1.2. Main CPV code

79419000 Evaluation consultancy services - RB07 - RB13 - RB18 - RD07

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The present assignment concerns an end-line impact assessment of the 2017-2021 DGD-funded programme implemented by Rikolto, covering:

- in-depth case study evaluations per region;
- 13 overall outcome evaluations at country level (retrospective evaluation focus);
- 4 cross-country evaluations per cluster (prospective evaluation focus);
- specific evaluation questions related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 126 400,00 EUR

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: 00 Other or Not Specified

Main site or place of performance: Specific locations in Europe, Asia, Africa and Latin America. The specific countries are outlined in the terms of reference.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

2.1) Evaluation object

The object of this evaluation are the 13 specific outcomes (1 per country) of the DGD funded 2017-2021 programme implemented by Rikolto. Rikolto decided to focus on assessing one case in depth per country, which will be conducted by the external evaluator, with support of Rikolto staff regarding available data and sense-making processes. The evaluation of the remaining interventions which contribute to the same outcome shall be conducted internally under supervision of the external evaluator, who shall validate the internal assessments and bear responsibility for the evaluation process and outcomes. Based on the assessment of the in-depth case study and the complementary internal assessments of the other interventions at country level the external consultant is expected to formulate a general assessment for the whole outcome.

2.2) Research questions

We want the end-line assessment to satisfy both our accountability needs towards DGD and at the same time feed our internal strategy development for the following programme period. Therefore, we would like to include retrospective and prospective research questions alike into the evaluation framework.

(a) Retrospective research focus

The retrospective research focus should be focusing on the impact of Rikolto's work at farm, farmer organisation and institutional level. However, since we would be overstressing the available budget if we wanted to assess our impact at all three levels, we decided to delimit our research focus and questions to the levels that are of most interest to us, connected to the systemic impact of our work. The research questions shall focus on those change dynamics that we're not certain of yet and that have high potential for impact in the food system. According to our organisational focus to manage programmes per cluster (and not per country or region), Rikolto decided to narrow down the research focus and decide on concrete research questions per cluster, as this is expected to provide most useful insights also for future strategy design and improvement. A reasonable scope would be to address two research focus areas and maximum 4-5 specific research questions per cluster. The results of the retrospective research questions are expected to feed the prospective dimension on the potential of the generated evidence to be leveraged at a global (i.e. cluster) level.

(b) Prospective research focus

The prospective evaluation component shall focus on the potential of the generated evidence (per case study and the sum of it) to be leveraged at a global level. While it is clear that these questions will be nourished by the findings to the retrospective research questions at country level, these questions shall be evaluated at cluster level. We therefore expect a separate report per cluster, elaborating on these questions for several countries, which contribute to the respective cluster. These research questions are agreed upon as equally valid across all clusters, can however still be further discussed and concretised with the consultant during the inception phase.

(c) Specific evaluation question related to the Covid-19 crisis

In light of the current events and dynamics unfolding around the Covid-19 pandemic and its effects on food systems, Rikolto would be interested to additionally explore one or two evaluation questions on our response to the pandemic. Despite the interest and relevance of these evaluation questions we are aware of the possible constraints to such an evaluation (e. g. data availability). The consultants shall therefore explore the evaluability of these questions together with Rikolto during the inception phase.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 126 400,00 EUR

II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start: 01/05/2021 End: 31/12/2021

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

II.2.14. Additional information

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions for participation

III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

The tenderer must have the required competences to carry out the contract properly, as described in chapter 5 of the terms of reference for this procurement and be enrolled in a relevant professional register.

III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 15/08/2020 Local time: 23:59

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 14/10/2020

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 16/08/2020 Local time: 15:00

Place:

BELGIUM.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Main contact person of this procurement together with the internal steering committee of this process.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Rikolto International s.o.n.

Town: Leuven

Country: Belgium

VI.5.

Date of dispatch of this notice

01/07/2020