





#### INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE

**Date:** April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

Country: Cairo, Egypt

**Project:** Supporting the Ministry of Local Development in Decentralization and Integrated Local Development with special emphasis on Upper Egypt

Implementing Partner: Ministry of Local Development

**Consultancy:** Consultant for Developing Geographical Information System (GIS) Analysis and Needs Assessment at MoLD and Four Pilot Governorates

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**Reporting:** Systems Development and LED Team Leader

Proposals should be submitted at the following email <u>tsp-procurement@nationaldsu.gov.eg</u> no later than **May 6**<sup>th</sup> **2024**.

Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic communication to the address or e-mail indicated above. The Project will respond in writing or by standard electronic mail and will send written copies of the response, including an explanation of the query without identifying the source of inquiry, to all consultants.

#### 1. BACKGROUND

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In accordance, the Project aims at supporting the Ministry along the following:







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- 1. Setting local development policies (decentralization, LED, rural development, etc.) and legislative framework.
- 2. Developing the local administration: institutional structure, main functions (local service delivery, etc.), operating systems (information, M&E, etc.).
- 3. Establishing mandates for the governorates for Local Economic Development and supporting them in activating LED processes.
- 4. Selection, qualification and capacity building of local administration leadership and staff.

The Project aims at carrying out pilot interventions in four Upper Egypt governorates: Fayoum, Beni Swaif, Luxor and Aswan.

#### 2. CONTEXT AND MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE CONSULTANCY MISSION

Information systems are an important base for coordination and integration of development efforts at both central and local government levels. Ministries and governorates have been using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for years now, for serving different functions and purposes. The governorates are connected with Ministry of Planning and Economic Development (MoPED) and the Military Surveying Authority through a GIS system that regularly monitors any spatial changes to identify encroachment on public land and illegal construction. MoPED is also requesting the governorates to deliver a GIS location for all proposed projects within the annual investment plan and is planning to use GIS for quarterly monitoring of execution of projects using satellite images. The Ministry of Local Development (MoLD) has a GIS capacity that is not well connected to the governorates yet and is currently utilized for archiving the projects of Hayah Kareema Presidential Initiative and demonstrating other databases on a geographic system.

TSP's scope of work includes development of local administration systems, including information, M&E, planning, asset management and other systems used by governorates and their sub-units. GIS is envisaged to be used as a base for communication and coordination of information concerning projects and plans at the governorates level as a means of integration of sector services and infrastructure with the local development programs, as well as between the governorate and district levels, and the governorates and MoLD level. GIS should become the base for local planning, M&E and asset management systems, and a means to report on the performance and progress of development at the governorates.

For MoLD and the governorates to use GIS in an effective manner, they need to have the right institutional set-up, and human and technical capacity. TSP is supporting MoLD and the project's four pilot governorates (Aswan, Luxor, Beni-Suef and Fayoum) to develop their GIS systems and their institutional and technical capacities to use GIS in their daily work of planning, monitoring and asset management.

The purpose of this consultancy is to conduct situation analysis and needs assessments for MoLD and the four pilot governorates of the Project on their current use of and/or readiness to use GIS. The analysis should cover GIS institutional arrangement (units and departments mandated to work with GIS or are using GIS) and GIS capacity (equipment and software) as well as human capacity (trained staff on different levels/skills) and technical readiness (e.g. internet connectivity, availability and use of spatial data, etc.). The consultant will evaluate the GIS units/departments at







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MoLD and the pilot governorates in terms of their ability to conduct data entry, spatial analysis, data integration, customization of layers, visualization, available technical support, and so forth. By conducting such analysis, the consultant will help MoLD and the pilot governorates to identify the effort and investment needed to develop their GIS systems and be able to use spatial data to make informed decisions related to their mandates.

#### 3. SCOPE OF WORK, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ANALYTICAL WORK

# The Consultant is expected to deliver the following:

- <u>Deliverable 1</u>: *Inception report* presenting an action plan for the consulting mission including the required field visits and data collection templates as well as the analysis and assessment tools to be used.
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As per attached—Annex 1

#### 4. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Advanced university degree in information technology, computer engineering or related disciplines;
- At least 15 years of professional experience in the areas of GIS systems, digital transformation, and information technology at national and local levels is essential;
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#### 5. DOCUMENTS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN SUBMITTING THE PROPOSALS.

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#### 6. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

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# Travel;

All envisaged travel costs must be included in the financial proposal. This includes all travel to join duty station/repatriation travel. In general, UNDP should not accept travel costs exceeding those of an economy class ticket. Should the IC wish to travel on a higher class he/she should do so using their own resources.

In the case of unforeseeable travel, payment of travel costs including tickets, lodging and terminal expenses should be agreed upon, between the respective business unit and Individual Consultant, prior to travel and will be reimbursed.

#### 7. EVALUATION

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Proposed Methodology	30%	30 points
<u>Financial</u>	30%	30 points
<u>Total</u>	100%	100 points







# **ANNEX 1- TERMS OF REFERENCES (TOR)**

# Supporting the Ministry of Local Development in Decentralization and Integrated Local Development with Emphasis on Upper Egypt

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# **Scope of Work and Responsibilities**

The Consultant is expected to carry out the following tasks:

- 1. *GIS System Analysis:* the GIS consultant shall analyze the existing GIS system infrastructure at MoLD and the pilot governorates and assess its capacity and readiness.
- 2. **Data Availability and Management:** the consultant shall assess the available data and spatial data at MoLD and the pilot governorates, as well as ability to use, manage and present such data using GIS.
- 3. *Training and Technical Support:* the consultant shall assess the available resources and access of MoLD and pilot governorates to GIS training and technical support.
- 4. *GIS Use and Integration:* the consultant shall assess the GIS usage and integration into other business systems and software applications, such as planning, M&E, asset management, etc. and creating custom reports, as well as GIS system integration with external agencies (e.g. MoLD with the governorates).
- 5. **Needs Assessment:** the consultant shall conduct needs assessment to determine MoLD and pilot governorates requirements to develop their GIS capabilities.
- 6. **GIS System Development Proposals:** the consultant shall provide recommendations for proposed actions and plans for each of MoLD and the pilot governorates to develop their GIS capabilities to align with their mandated functions. The consultant also shall propose change management arrangements to ensure that GIS system changes are implemented smoothly and effectively.

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The Consultant will report against the defined deliverables he/she accomplished.









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	Total	100%

# **Management of Consultancy Mission and Reporting**

The Consultant shall report to the Systems Development and LED Team Leader and his/her work will be facilitated by the project team. The outline of the work to be done needs to be first approved by the Project Manager for the Consultant to proceed.

#### **Data Provision**

- Collection of data / information required is the responsibility of the consultant. If needed, the project can support the consultant to facilitate the data collection from the counterparts
- The consultant is expected to have frequent meetings at the Ministry of Local Development.
- The consultant is expected to travel to the four pilot governorates for consultation workshops and multistakeholder meetings, if needed.

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