

Request for Expression of Interest

Title	Invitation to monitoring and evaluation companies to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) for monitoring for the WHO led MVPE
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Contact Address for EOI response	njugunap@who.int

1. Description of Requirements

The World Health Organization (WHO) invites vendors to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) for monitoring the Malaria Vaccine Programme Evaluation (MVPE) which address the following objectives:

- a. To assess the quality and integrity of the data collected from sentinel hospitals.
- b. To assess the quality and integrity of the data collected for each of the three household surveys in each country.
- c. To assess the quality and integrity of the data collected by the mortality surveillance.

The WHO is leading a pilot implementation of the RTS,S malaria vaccine in 3 countries in sub-Saharan Africa (Ghana, Kenya and Malawi) to assess the programmatic feasibility of delivering a four-dose schedule, requiring new immunization timings and contacts, to evaluate vaccine impact on mortality and to further characterize vaccine safety in the context of a routine immunization programme. Household surveys will be used to estimate the vaccine coverage as a marker of feasibility. Mortality surveillance will be based on a network of community based reporters. The evaluation of safety will include sentinel hospital surveillance to identify the aetiological causes of meningitis in children admitted in selected evaluation areas.

The WHO expects monitoring of these evaluations to occur on a periodic basis: Annually for the mortality surveillance, approximately twice a year in the sentinel hospitals, and following each of the three household surveys.

The duration of each assignment is expected to be as follows: Approximately 4 weeks for the mortality surveillance annually, 3 weeks for the sentinel hospitals twice a year (1 week per hospital, 3 hospitals would be selected for review twice a year), and 2-3 weeks for each household survey.

The evaluations will occur in the following areas and potentially other areas upon request:

- Ghana : Volta, Brong Ahafo and Central regions
- Kenya: Bungoma, Busia, Homa Bay, Kakamega, Kisumu, Migori, Siaya and Vihiga counties.
- Malawi: Karonga, Nkhata Bay, Mchinji, Ntchisi, Balaka, Phalombe, Machinga, Nsanje, Lilongwe districts

The evaluation will be conducted for a minimum period of 3 years for which funding is available.

WHO intends to invite selected vendors to participate in a formal solicitation, via a Request for Proposals (RFP), at a later stage, for the above requirements. Complete details of the requirements will be included in the solicitation documents.

2. Minimum Criteria for Vendors

Companies can only participate in this Request for EOI from WHO after completing their basic registration (free of charge) at the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org).

- The working language will be English.

- Interested companies should have experience of working in Africa in particular Ghana, Kenya and Malawi.

- The company or vendor should have experience working with international organizations and at least 5 years' experience in monitoring field or implementation studies. Experience as a clinical monitor would be required. Experience in broader M&E would be considered an asset.

- The company or vendor would ideally appoint a person based in each country for the duration of the evaluation.

3. Expression of Interest Instructions

Vendors interested in fulfilling the requirements are requested to express their interest by submitting the following documents, completed in full, **together with their Expression of Interest in response to points 1. and 2. above**, to the Contact Address (as stated above) not later than the Closing Date (as stated above):

1. A **Vendor Information Form**, using the template provided in [Annex A](#), providing information on the vendor as an entity (legal and organizational), and describing concisely and briefly the vendor's expertise and experience relevant to the requirements and criteria described above.
2. A **self-declaration form**, using the form provided in [Annex B](#).

Submitted Expressions of Interest should not contain pricing information.

Any information considered by interested entities as confidential must be clearly marked "confidential".

Incomplete Expressions of Interest and Expressions of Interest submitted after the Closing Date will, in principle, be disregarded, unless WHO decides otherwise, in its sole discretion.

4. Disclaimer

This Request for Expression of Interest is not a solicitation, and replying to it does not guarantee that a vendor will be invited to any solicitation by WHO. No further details of the planned solicitation will be made available to vendors prior to the issuance of solicitation documents. In the event of a solicitation for the subject matter described herein, any Request for Proposal and any subsequent purchase order or contract will be issued in accordance with WHO's rules and procedures.

Any and all costs and expenses incurred in relation to, or ensuing from, the submission of an Expression of Interest will exclusively be borne by the applicant. The application and selection process set forth in this document will not be subject to claims for financial compensation of any kind whatsoever.

WHO is acting in good faith by issuing this Request for Expression of Interest, however, this Request for Expression of Interest does not entail any commitment on the part of WHO, either financial or otherwise. WHO reserves the right to send solicitation documents to vendors identified by WHO through means other than this Request for Expression of Interest; reject any or all Expression(s) of Interest, without incurring any obligation to inform the affected applicant(s) of that decision or the grounds thereof; and/or change or cancel the procurement process at any time, including during the Request for Expression of Interest or formal solicitation processes.

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Annex A – Vendor Information Form

To be returned by 30/04/2018 to njugunap@who.int

NOTICE:

- Companies can only participate in solicitations of WHO after completing their basic registration (free of charge) at the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org).
- As you express interest in the planned solicitation by submitting this response form, please verify that your company is registered under its full legal name on the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org) and that your application has been submitted to WHO.

Company Information to be provided by the Vendor expressing interest

UNGM Vendor ID Number:			
Legal Company Name: <i>(Not trade name or DBA name)</i>			
Company Contact:			
Address:			
City:		State:	
Country:		Zip:	
Telephone Number:		Fax Number:	
Email Address:		Company Website:	
Corporate information:			
Company mission statement			
Service commitment to customers and measurements used			
Organization structure (include description of those parts of your organization that would be involved in the performance of the work)			
Relevant experience (how could your expertise contribute to WHO's needs for the purpose of this EOI) – <i>Please attach reference and contact details</i>			
Staffing information			

Entity Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Name and Title of duly authorized representative:	
Signature:	
Date:	

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Annex B - Vendor's Self Declaration Form

To be returned by 30/04/2018 to njugunap@who.int

<Full legal name of Vendor> (the "Vendor") hereby declares to the World Health Organization (WHO) that:

- a. it is not bankrupt or being wound up, having its affairs administered by the courts, has not entered into an arrangement with creditors, has not suspended business activities, is not the subject of proceedings concerning the foregoing matters, and is not in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations;
- b. it is solvent and in a position to continue doing business for the period stipulated in the contract after contract signature, if awarded a contract by WHO;
- c. it or persons having powers of representation, decision making or control over the Vendor have not been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct by a final judgment;
- d. it or persons having powers of representation, decision making or control over the Vendor have not been the subject of a final judgment or of a final administrative decision for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organization, money laundering, terrorist-related offences, child labour, human trafficking or any other illegal activity;
- e. it is in compliance with all its obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions and the payment of taxes in accordance with the national legislation or regulations of the country in which the Vendor is established;
- f. it is not subject to an administrative penalty for misrepresenting any information required as a condition of participation in a procurement procedure or failing to supply such information;
- g. it has declared to WHO any circumstances that could give rise to a conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest in relation to the current procurement action;
- h. it has not granted and will not grant, has not sought and will not seek, has not attempted and will not attempt to obtain, and has not accepted and will not accept any direct or indirect benefit (financial or otherwise) arising from a procurement contract or the award thereof; and
- i. it adheres to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct.

The Vendor understands that a false statement or failure to disclose any relevant information which may impact upon WHO's decision to award a contract may result in the disqualification of the Vendor from the bidding exercise and/or the withdrawal of any proposal of a contract with WHO. Furthermore, in case a contract has already been awarded, WHO shall be entitled to rescind the contract with immediate effect, in addition to any other remedies which WHO may have by contract or by law.

Entity Name:
Mailing Address:
Name and Title of duly authorized representative:
Signature:	
Date: