Water Resources Management and Climate Adaptation In the Tigris-Euphrates basin

Answers to the questions received

1. What is the exact extent of the study area?

The study can cover any area in the Euphrates-Tigris basin within the territories of Iraq and Syria (see FAO map, Aquastat report 2009 - <u>Euphrates.tigris-map</u>)

PUI's areas of intervention may be privileged - Der Ez Zor Governorate in Syria, Kurdistan Region of Iraq and Central and South Iraq - but other areas may also be included depending on their relevance to the study.

2. Is it possible to apply only to the portion of the tender related to Syria? Is experience in both Iraq and Syria a prerequisite for applying?

The offer must include action in both Iraq and Syria, either jointly or separately (point 3.2 of the ToR). The consultant is responsible for recruiting the necessary team to cover the required scope. (PUI invites international consultants to work with national consultants, as well as local consultants to find counterparts in other regions)

3. What are the security rules that you apply for your expatriates (no go zones)?

Syria: Going to all GOS zones is possible, however, visa and approvals should be granted by the mission.

Iraq: All of Iraq is accessible, pending security checks, and access letters need to be obtained through PUI.

4. What is the planned budget?

The total cost of the study must not exceed 20,000 euros.

Cost is an essential criterion in the selection process, as well as the quality of the tender submitted.

5. Could you please provide us with a financial template?

PUI does not propose a specific template for the budget. The budget will be provided by the consultant as part of the financial proposal. The consultant will have to propose a detailed budget including all the costs of the study: consultant fees (international, local partners), travel expenses (air tickets, local transport, accommodation, per diem, etc.), consulting expenses (documentary research, communication expenses, field material), others.

6. Do you know any national consultants who could support me, if possible hydrogeologist, geologist or civil engineer? If so, at what daily rate applied?

Do you know the cost of renting a vehicle with driver approx.?

The consultant is responsible for selecting and recruiting the work team, as well as for the travel arrangements.

- 7. Could you provide an indication of the level of effort expected (number of working days)? PUI values the analysis of the situation (point 4.1 of the ToR) as much as the preparation of an action proposal (point 4.2 of the ToR). About 20 days of work may be advisable.
 - 8. What is the overall timeline of the study

The estimated timetable is 3 months after signature, i.e. from November 2024 to January 2025. <u>The field work must be completed prior to the end of December 2024.</u>

9. What is the deadline for submitting an offer?

The revised deadline for submitting tenders is October 10, 2024