

SAREP RFP-2023-004, Cross Border Transmission Study

Questions and Answers

Q.1. The term of Contract is 5 months in the RFP. Given the Task line items, delivering such a scope along with the stakeholder consultations may not be possible within a time period of 5 months. Hence, we request the extension of the timelines of the engagement to at least 9 months. Please consider.

A.1. There can be no change in the delivery timeline. The subcontractor needs to mobilize and complete the work within the stipulated 5 months.

Q.2. Based on our experience of working in similar other engagements, we are of the opinion that conducting such a detailed assessment in accordance with the Statement of Work would require several man-months of effort across various positions. In order to propose/ involve the right sets/level of the experts, we would require indication of budget for the study.

A.2. It is up to the bidders to decide the effort required and quote a reasonable price for the work identified in the Statement of Work.

Q.3. With reference to RFP Section C.3 under Tasks, Review and analysis of all cross-border electricity transmission infrastructure projects (in C.1. and C.2.) across the globe in the form of detailed case studies from inception of the project till execution and operation should be covered, covering the following regions: -

C.3.1. Africa

C.3.2. ASEAN /Southeast Asia

C.3.3. European Union

C.3.4. South America

C.3.5. North America

C.3.6. Central Asia

C.3.7. Gulf, and Arab Region

C.3.8. South Asia (existing cross-country interconnections)

C.3.9. Australia (Inter regional connections)

In each of the regions, there are multiple cross border interconnections with varied project development models. Could you please clarify how many interconnections need to be studied in each of the region?

A.3. All cross-border transmission line interconnections in each region shall be listed along with the model used to develop each line. At least one line from each model used in each region shall be studied in detail as per scope of work.

Q.4. With reference to RFP Section C.6 under Tasks, The subcontractor is required to conduct a stakeholder workshop with key stakeholders from all the regions studied as a part of this assignment and present the key findings and seek comments and suggestions. Could you please clarify, how many stakeholder workshops would be organized? Also, any indication/ information about the probable venue (country) for such stakeholder engagements would be useful, as we may need to obtain necessary approvals in case of travel outside India.

A.4. One stakeholders' workshop will be organized in Delhi and participants from each region shall be decided mutually based on discussion between SAREP and the Consultant after submission of the draft report.

Q.5. The **Proposal Due Date** is November 25, 2022. Given the proposal requirements and approvals to be taken from the management based on above clarifications, we request you to extend the bid submission date by at least 2 weeks from the current proposal due date.

A.5. The bid submission deadline is being extended by 7 days, i.e., up to **December 2, 2022**.