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FORM AM 10-7:

Procurement Notice/Advertisement Open International Competition (OIC)

Country of Destination: France, with field visits to 10 countries in Africa and Asia

Reference Number: ED/EO/SPM/bm/14/19

Description: Final external evaluation of the Capacity Development for Education for All (CapEFA) Programme

Deadline for Submission of Sealed Tenders: 11 January 2015, 18:00 hrs (CET)

Posting Date: 03 December 2014

United Nations Educational, Science and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) hereby invite qualified companies to submit sealed tenders as follows:

The CapEFA Programme is an extra-budgetary funding mechanism and programme approach created in 2003 to allow UNESCO to strategically support Member States to make progress towards the Education for All (EFA) agenda at the country level. With a specific focus on Least Developed Countries, the Programme targets 28 countries and relies on an explicit emphasis on, and approach to, capacity development in four priority areas of the education sector: sector-wide policy and planning, literacy, teachers, and technical and vocational education and training.

With the upcoming target date of EFA in 2015 and ongoing discussions for a new set of development goals for education, UNESCO is launching the final external evaluation of its CapEFA Programme, which should be completed by October 2015. The main purpose of the evaluation is to determine the relevance of CapEFA's overall contribution to progress towards the realization of the EFA goals in beneficiary countries and to provide actionable and timely recommendations to UNESCO on the positioning of the Programme to meet future needs and challenges of the new education development agenda.

The evaluation will therefore need to cover a combination of field visits (tentative list of 10 countries), desk reviews and other evaluation methodologies. Evaluators need to have proven experience in relevant programme evaluations and are expected to have in-depth understanding of issues pertaining to capacity development and to global trends of the education sector, particularly to discussions and issues related to the post-2015 education development agenda.

The purpose of this notice is to provide general information on the requirements for the procurement process and to inform interested suppliers how to obtain a copy of the Solicitation Documents.

Interested companies who wish to participate in the OIC must request for a complete set of Solicitation Documents, available free of charge, from UNESCO contact person at the address shown below.

The sealed tenders must be delivered to the **UNESCO Headquarters in Paris** on or before **11 January 2015 at 18:00 hours (CET)**, in strict compliance with the instructions as stipulated in the Solicitation Documents.

UNESCO reserves the right to amend the documents at any time during the solicitation process. Any amendments or clarifications will be communicated directly to all Bidders who have requested for a complete set of solicitation documents and officially confirmed their intention to submit a sealed tender. No remuneration will be made to companies for preparation and submission of their tenders.

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