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Nigerian Subnational Governance Best Fit Innovation Inventory

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Synopsis of the RFP

RFP No.	RFP-BAU-20-0001				
Issue Date	November 03, 2020				
Title	Nigerian Subnational Governance Best Fit Innovation Inventory				
Issuing Office & Email Address for Submission of Proposals	DAI Development Activities International Limited, 13B Ontario Crescent, Off Mississippi Street, Maitama, Abuja NGprocurementIn@dai.com				
Bidders' Conference	A Pre-Proposal Virtual Bidders' Conference is scheduled for 3:00pm local time in Nigeria, on November 18, 2020. Interested bidders can participate through this link; <u>Here</u> .				
Deadline for Receipt of Questions	Deadline for questions/clarification is November 20, 2020 by 5:00 pm local time in Nigeria NGprocurementIn@dai.com				
Deadline for Response to Questions	November 27, 2020				
Deadline for Receipt of Proposals	Please submit <u>proposals</u> by December 2, 2020 by 5:00 pm local time in Nigeria NGprocurementIn@dai.com				
Point of Contact	NGprocurementIn@dai.com				
Anticipated Award Type	Firm Fixed Price Purchase Order				
Basis for Award	An award will be made based on the Trade Off Method. The award will be issued to the responsible and reasonable offeror who provides the best value to DAI and its client using a combination of technical and cost/price factors.				

Interested Offerors may obtain a full copy of the RFP which contains detailed instructions for preparation of the proposal. The RFP may be collected from the address and/or contact person above.

1. Introduction and Purpose

1.1 Purpose

DAI, the implementer of the USAID Nigeria, State Accountability, Transparency, and Effectiveness (State2State) project invites qualified offerors to submit proposals to supply and deliver a **Subnational Governance Reform Best Fit Innovation Inventory** in support of program implementation. Relevant background and objectives of this activity include the following:

Nigerian states are already looking to their neighbors and peers, exchanging information and adapting reform initiatives already tested by other states. These reform initiatives and their associated tools, approaches and methodologies, are considered "best fit innovations" because they are already being implemented by one or more Nigerian states. These best fit innovations are more likely to be appropriate for State2State partner states because they have already been tested and shown to be useful by other states. State2State will support, scale-up, accelerate and institutionalize these best fit innovations.

The objective of the **Subnational Governance Reform Best Fit Innovation Inventory** is to assess and document existing public sector reform best fit innovations currently being implemented by states across Nigeria in the following nine areas:

- 1. Budget planning, administration and execution;
- 2. Budget transparency;
- 3. Procurement reform;
- 4. Auditing;
- 5. Internal controls;
- 6. Internally generated revenue;
- 7. Monitoring and evaluation;
- 8. Gender; and
- 9. Citizen participation and engagement.

1.2 Issuing Office

The Issuing Office and Contact Person noted in the above synopsis is the sole point of contact at DAI for purposes of this RFP. Any prospective offeror who fails to register their interest with this office assumes complete responsibility in the event that they do not receive direct communications (amendments, answers to questions, etc.) prior to the closing date.

1.3 Type of Award Anticipated

DAI anticipates awarding a Firm Fixed Price Purchase Order. This subcontract type is subject to change during the course of negotiations.

A Firm Fixed Price Purchase Order is: An award for a total firm fixed price, for values less than \$150,000, for the provision of specific services, goods, or deliverables and is not adjusted if the actual costs are higher or lower than the fixed price amount. Offerors are expected to include all costs, direct and indirect, into their total proposed price.

2. General Instructions to Offerors

2.1 General Instructions

"Offeror", "Subcontractor", and/or "Bidder" means a firm proposing the work under this RFP. "Offer" and/or "Proposal" means the package of documents the firm submits to propose the work.

Offerors wishing to respond to this RFP must submit proposals, in English, in accordance with the following instructions. Offerors are required to review all instructions and specifications contained in this RFP. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. If the solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions not modified in the amendment shall remain unchanged.

Issuance of this RFP in no way obligates DAI to award a subcontract or purchase order. Offerors will not be reimbursed for any costs associated with the preparation or submission of their proposal. DAI shall in no case be responsible for liable for these costs.

Proposals are due no later than **December 2, 2020 by 5:00 pm local time in Nigeria**, to be submitted to via email to <u>NGprocurementIn@dai.com</u>. The RFP number and title of the activity must be stated in the subject line of the email. Cost and technical proposals shall be submitted in a single email. Late offers will be rejected except under extraordinary circumstances at DAI's discretion. All proposals submitted in hardcopy shall be sealed and labeled with the RFP Number.

The submission to DAI of a proposal in response to this RFP will constitute an offer and indicates the Offeror's agreement to the terms and conditions in this RFP and any attachments hereto. DAI reserves the right not to evaluate a non responsive or incomplete proposal.

2.2 Proposal Cover Letter

A cover letter shall be included with the proposal on the Offeror's company letterhead with a duly authorized signature and company stamp/seal using Attachment B as a template for the format. The cover letter shall include the following items:

- The Offeror will certify a validity period of 60 days for the prices provided.
- Acknowledge the solicitation amendments received.
- Specify that the submission is in response to the RFP for Subnational Best Fit Innovation Inventory
- Subnational Best Fit Innovation Inventory RFP Number
- Date of submission

2.3 Questions regarding the RFP

Each Offeror is responsible for reading and complying with the terms and conditions of this RFP. Requests for clarification or additional information must be submitted in writing via email or in writing to the Issuing Office as specified in the Synopsis above. No questions will be answered by phone. Any verbal information received from a DAI or (insert Project Acronym) employee or other entity shall not be considered as an official response to any question regarding this RFP.

Copies of questions and responses will be distributed in writing to all prospective bidders who are on record as having received this RFP after the submission date specified in the Synopsis above.

2.4 Pre-Proposal Bidders' Conference

A VIRTUAL pre-proposal bidders' conference will be held on **November 18, 2020, beginning at 3:00 PM local Nigeria time**. The Conference will be held via Microsoft Teams. Interested bidders may participate via this link Here as scheduled.

Information of interest to all prospective Offerors will be presented. While attendance at the preproposal conference is not mandatory, all interested prospective suppliers are encouraged to attend in order to prepare acceptable proposals. Questions asked at the Pre-Proposal Bidder's Conference, that would benefit all bidders, shall be provided in an amendment to the RFP.

3. Instructions for the Preparation of Technical Proposals

Technical proposals shall be sealed in a separate envelope from cost/price proposals, and shall be clearly labeled as "VOLUME I: TECHNICAL PROPOSAL".

Technical proposals shall include the following contents

- 1. Technical Approach [3 pages total] Description of the proposed services which meets or exceeds the stated technical specifications or scope of work. The proposal must show how the Offeror plans to complete the work and describe an approach that demonstrates the achievement of timely and acceptable performance of the work. It must describe:
 - a. An understanding of how Nigerian states learn about, adapt and apply public sector reform tools, approaches and methodologies that have proven successful in other states;
 - b. The methodology the organization will use to conduct the best fit innovation inventory;
 - c. The quality assurance procedures the organization will institute to ensure oversight over all deliverables, especially the case studies.
- 2. Team structure and roles and responsibilities [2 pages] Description of the Offeror's staff assigned to the project. The proposal should describe how the proposed team members have the necessary experience and capabilities to carry out the Technical Approach. The structure and roles and responsibilities of the team will engage to conduct all tasks. The proposal should present a bio of the proposed team leader for this assignment that includes her/his contractual association with the organization submitting the proposal and experience with similar activities.
- 3. Qualifications [1 page] —Provide a list of at least three (3) recent awards of similar scope and duration. The information shall be supplied as a table, and shall include the legal name and address of the organization for which services were performed, a description of work performed, the duration of the work and the value of the contract, description of any problems encountered and how it was resolved, and a current contact phone number of a responsible and knowledgeable representative of the organization. See Attachment F.
- 4. Timeline [1 page] A detailed proposed timeline for completing the tasks noted above. All tasks in The Best Fit Innovation Inventory assignment must be concluded by April 15, 2021.

3.1 Services Specified

For this RFP, DAI is in need of the services described in Attachment A.

3.2 Technical Evaluation Criteria

Each proposal will be evaluated and scored against the evaluation criteria and evaluation subcriteria, which are stated in the table below. Cost/Price proposals are not assigned points, but for overall evaluation purposes of this RFP, technical evaluation factors other than cost/price, when combined, are considered approximately equal to cost/price factors.

Evaluation Criteria	Evaluation Sub-criteria (if needed)	Maximum Points		
Technical Approach		30		
	The degree to which the proposal outlines a clear understanding of how states	10 points		
	learn about, adapt and apply			

	public sector reform initiatives from other states;	
	Presents a sound methodology for the best fit innovation inventory;	10 points
	Presents sound quality assurance procedures, especially for the case studies.	10 points
Team structure and roles		20
	The degree to which the proposal presents a streamlined team structure to complete the work with clear responsibilities;	10 points
	The relevance of the skills and experiences of the proposed team leader to the assignment.	10 points
Qualifications	The degree to which the proposed organization has experience working on issues of subnational governance and assessing and cataloging subnational public sector reform initiatives.	40 points
Timeline	The proposal presents a realistic and feasible timeline for completing the work within the required schedule.	10 points
	Total Points	100 points

4. Instructions for the Preparation of Cost/Price Proposals

4.1 Cost/Price Proposals

Cost/Price proposals shall be sealed in a separate envelope from technical proposals and shall be clearly labeled as "VOLUME II: COST/PRICE PROPOSAL".

Provided in Attachment C is a template for the Price Schedule, for firm-fixed price awards. Offerors shall complete the template including as much detailed information as possible. Please provide price per deliverable and also include a detailed budget estimate for each deliverable. Include cost such as all labor, travel, material costs necessary to complete all tasks. The cost proposal should break out labor, travel and material cost for each task/deliverable.

It is important to note that Value Added Tax (VAT) shall be included on a separate line, and that delivery cost per kilometer (or other unit) and total delivery cost are included on their designated budget line. These services are not eligible for VAT exemption under the DAI prime contract. The Subcontractor is responsible for all applicable taxes and fees, as prescribed under the applicable laws for income, compensation, permits, licenses, and other taxes and fees due as required.

5. Basis of Award

5.1 Best Value Determination

DAI will review all proposals, and make an award based on the technical and cost evaluation criteria stated above, and select the offeror whose proposal provides the best value to DAI. DAI may also exclude an offer from consideration if it determines that an Offeror is "not responsible", i.e., that it does not have the management and financial capabilities required to perform the work required.

Evaluation points will not be awarded for cost. Cost will primarily be evaluated for realism and reasonableness. DAI may award to a higher priced offeror if a determination is made that the higher technical evaluation of that offeror merits the additional cost/price.

DAI may award to an Offeror without discussions. Therefore the initial offer **must contain the Offeror's best price and technical terms.**

5.2 Responsibility Determination

DAI will not enter into any type of agreement with an Offeror prior to ensuring the Offeror's responsibility. When assessing an Offeror's responsibility, the following factors are taken into consideration:

- 1. Provide evidence of the required business licenses to operate in the host country.
- 2. Evidence of a DUNS number (explained below and instructions contained in Attachment D).
- 3. The source, origin and nationality of the products or services are not from a Prohibited Country (explained below).
- 4. Having adequate financial resources to finance and perform the work or deliver goods or the ability to obtain financial resources without receiving advance funds from DAI.
- 5. Ability to comply with required or proposed delivery or performance schedules.
- 6. Have a satisfactory past performance / qualifications record.
- 7. Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics.
- 8. Have the necessary organization, experience, accounting and operational controls and technical skills.
- 9. Have the necessary production, construction and technical equipment and facilities if applicable.
- 10. Be qualified and eligible to perform work under applicable laws and regulations.

6. Anticipated post-award Deliverables

Upon award of a subcontract, the deliverables and deadlines detailed in below table will be submitted to DAI. The Offeror should detail proposed costs per deliverable in the Price Schedule. All of the deliverables must be submitted to and approved by DAI before payment will be processed.

No.	Description	Due Date		
1	Hold meetings with State2State leadership and draft a comprehensive work plan for the	Within 15 days of award		

No.	Description	Due Date		
	implementation of all contracted activities, including timelines, milestones and methods to communicate with State2State on program progress. The plan will include a set of criteria the organization will use to determine which reform initiatives qualify as a Best Fit Innovation (i.e. being used by multiple states; used in one state with demonstrated return on investment, etc.). The plan will be designed in the context of the objectives stated in this request for proposals, and within the overall framework and goals of the PROGATI project. The work plan and criteria will be approved by State2State prior to implementation.			
2	Develop a detailed draft format for the case study used to document each best fit innovation. The format should reflect consultations on format and the appropriate level of detail with the intended end users of the innovation case studies – state- and LGA-level officials desiring to implement the innovation. The case study format will be approved by State2State prior to implementation.	Within 15 days of award		
3	Conduct a comprehensive assessment of public sector reform initiatives in Nigeria across the nine areas by applying the approved criteria: Budget planning, administration and execution; Budget transparency; Procurement reform; Auditing; Internal controls; Internally generated revenue; Monitoring and evaluation; Gender; and Citizen participation and engagement. The assessment report will include those reform initiatives that meet the approved criteria for best fit innovation as well as promising reform initiatives that do not yet meet the criteria. The assessment report findings will be approved by State2State prior to finalization.	Within 90 days of award		

No.	Description	Due Date
4	Produce a detailed case study for each reform initiative that meets the criteria for best fit innovation, using the approved format.	Within 90 days of award
5	Conduct workshop with State2State team to present the findings of the Subnational Governance Best Fit Inventory.	Within 120 days of award
6	Final Subcontract report (template to be provided by State2State)	Within 30 days after contract end

7. Inspection & Acceptance

The designated DAI Project Manager will inspect from time to time the services being performed to determine whether the activities are being performed in a satisfactory manner, and that all equipment or supplies are of acceptable quality and standards. The subcontractor shall be responsible for any countermeasures or corrective action, within the scope of this RFP, which may be required by the DAI Chief of Party as a result of such inspection.

8. Compliance with Terms and Conditions

8.1 General Terms and Conditions

Offerors agree to comply with the general terms and conditions for an award resulting from this RFP. The selected Offeror shall comply with all Representations and Certifications of Compliance listed in Attachment G.

8.2 Prohibited Technology

Bidders MUST NOT provide any goods and/or services that utilize telecommunications and video surveillance products from the following companies: Huawei Technologies Company, ZTE Corporation, Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company, or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof, in compliance with FAR 52.204-25.

8.3 Source and Nationality

Under the authorized geographic code for its contract DAI may only procure goods and services from the following countries.

Geographic Code 937: Goods and services from the United States, the cooperating country, and

"Developing Countries" other than "Advanced Developing Countries: excluding prohibited countries. A list of the "Developing Countries" as well as "Advanced Developing Countries" can be found at:

http://www.usaid.gov/policy/ads/300/310maa.pdf and

http://www.usaid.gov/policy/ads/300/310mab.pdf respectively.

DAI must verify the source and nationality of goods and services and ensure (to the fullest extent possible) that DAI does not procure any goods or services from prohibited countries listed by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) as sanctioned countries. OFAC sanctioned countries may be searched within the System for Award Management (SAM) at www.SAM.gov. The current list of countries under

comprehensive sanctions include: Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan, and Syria. Goods may not transit through or be assembled in comprehensive sanctioned origin or nationality countries nor can the vendor be owned or controlled by a prohibited country. DAI is prohibited from facilitating any transaction by a third party if that transaction would be prohibited if performed by DAI.

By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, Offerors confirm that they are not violating the Source and Nationality requirements of the goods or services being offered and that the goods and services comply with the Geographic Code and the exclusions for prohibited countries outlined above.

8.4 Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS)

There is a **mandatory** requirement for your organization to provide a DUNS number to DAI. The Data Universal Numbering System is a system developed and regulated by Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) that assigns a unique numeric identifier, referred to as a "DUNS number" to a single business entity. Without a DUNS number, DAI cannot deem an Offeror "responsible" to conduct business with and therefore, DAI will not enter into a subcontract/purchase order or monetary agreement with any organization. The determination of a successful offeror/applicant resulting from this RFP/RFQ/RFA is contingent upon the winner providing a DUNS number to DAI. Offerors who fail to provide a DUNS number will not receive an award and DAI will select an alternate Offeror.

All U.S. and foreign organizations which receive first-tier subcontracts/ purchase orders with a value of \$30,000 and above **are required** to obtain a DUNS number prior to signing of the agreement. Organizations are exempt from this requirement if the gross income received from all sources in the previous tax year was under \$300,000. DAI requires that Offerors sign the self-certification statement if the Offeror claims exemption for this reason.

For those required to obtain a DUNS number, see Attachment D - Instructions for Obtaining a DUNS Number - DAI'S Vendors, Subcontractors

For those not required to obtain a DUNS number, see Attachment E: Self Certification for Exemption from DUNS Requirement

9. Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery Policy and Reporting Responsibilities

DAI conducts business under the strictest ethical standards to assure fairness in competition, reasonable prices and successful performance or delivery of quality goods and equipment. **DAI does not tolerate the following acts of corruption:**

- Any requests for a bribe, kickback, facilitation payment or gratuity in the form of payment, gift or special consideration by a DAI employee, Government official, or their representatives, to influence an award or approval decision.
- Any offer of a bribe, kickback, facilitation payment or gratuity in the form of payment, gift or special consideration by an offeror or subcontractor to influence an award or approval decision.
- Any fraud, such as mis-stating or withholding information to benefit the offeror or subcontractor.
- Any collusion or conflicts of interest in which a DAI employee, consultant, or representative
 has a business or personal relationship with a principal or owner of the offeror or
 subcontractor that may appear to unfairly favor the offeror or subcontractor.
 Subcontractors must also avoid collusion or conflicts of interest in their procurements from
 vendors. Any such relationship must be disclosed immediately to DAI management for
 review and appropriate action, including possible exclusion from award.

These acts of corruption are not tolerated and may result in serious consequences, including termination of the award and possible suspension and debarment by the U.S. Government, excluding the offeror or subcontractor from participating in future U.S. Government business.

Any attempted or actual corruption should be reported immediately by either the offeror, subcontractor or DAI staff to:

- Toll-free Ethics and Compliance Anonymous Hotline at (U.S.) +1-503-597-4328
- Hotline website www.DAl.ethicspoint.com, or
- Email to Ethics@DAI.com
- USAID's Office of the Inspector General Hotline at hotline@usaid.gov.

By signing this proposal, the offeror confirms adherence to this standard and ensures that no attempts shall be made to influence DAI or Government staff through bribes, gratuities, facilitation payments, kickbacks or fraud. The offeror also acknowledges that violation of this policy may result in termination, repayment of funds disallowed by the corrupt actions and possible suspension and debarment by the U.S. Government.

10. Attachments

10.1 Attachment A: Scope of Work for Services or Technical Specifications

Title: Nigerian Subnational Governance Best Fit Innovation Inventory

Period of Performance: on/about November 1, 2020 – April 15, 2021

Development Alternatives, Inc. (DAI) seeks a qualified Nigerian organization develop an inventory of subnational governance best fit innovations. This work will be contracted under the USAID-funded "State Accountability, Transparency and Effectiveness" ("State2State") Project. The objective of State2State is to increase the accountability, transparency and effectiveness in targeted states and local governments (LGAs) in Nigeria. This will be achieved by:

- Sub Purpose 1: Increased Efficiency of Sub National Government Operations: strengthening governance systems (with a focus on public financial management [PFM] and procurement, as well as monitoring and evaluation) related to the delivery of services in the key sectors of basic education, primary health care, and water, sanitation and hygiene [WASH]);
- Sub Purpose 2: Improved Sub National Government Responsiveness to Citizen / CSO Engagement: increasing government ability to respond to citizen needs and priorities; and
- Sub Purpose 3: Improved Sub National Capacity to Manage Conflict: improving government and civil society capacity to manage conflict through work on prevention, mitigation and reconciliation with sectoral partners.

State2State will be implemented in the partner states of Adamawa, Bauchi, Ebonyi, Gombe, and Sokoto. State2State governance reforms are intended to achieve measurably improving delivery of basic services in the key sectors, thus reducing extreme poverty in Nigeria. Conflict mitigation, citizen participation and gender and social inclusion are core State2State principles.

State2State will facilitate the strengthening of subnational governance systems in a sustainable manner, supporting the efforts of local reformers and building on locally-derived solutions including, to the extent possible, reforms already working in other parts of Nigeria.

Nigerian states are already looking to their neighbors and peers, exchanging information and adapting reform initiatives already tested by other states. These reform initiatives and their associated tools, approaches and methodologies, are considered "best fit innovations" because they are already being implemented by one or more Nigerian states. These best fit innovations are more likely to be appropriate for State2State partner states because they have already been tested and shown to be useful by other states. State2State will support, scale-up, accelerate and institutionalize these best fit innovations.

Subnational Best Fit Innovation Inventory Objective. The objective of the **Subnational Governance Reform Best Fit Innovation Inventory** is to assess and document existing public sector reform best fit innovations currently being implemented by states across Nigeria in the following nine areas:

- 1. Budget planning, administration and execution;
- 2. Budget transparency;
- 3. Procurement reform;

- 4. Auditing;
- 5. Internal controls;
- 6. Internally generated revenue;
- 7. Monitoring and evaluation;
- 8. Gender; and
- 9. Citizen participation and engagement.

Required Activities:

To conduct the Best Fit Inventory, the selected organization will conduct the following activities, working closely with State2State in a highly collaborative manner:

- 1. Within 15 days of award signature, hold meetings with State2State leadership and draft a comprehensive work plan for the implementation of all contracted activities, including timelines, milestones and methods to communicate with State2State on program progress. The plan will include a set of criteria the organization will use to determine which reform initiatives qualify as a Best Fit Innovation (i.e. being used by multiple states; used in one state with demonstrated return on investment, etc.). The plan will be designed in the context of the objectives stated in this request for proposals, and within the overall framework and goals of the PROGATI project. The work plan and criteria will be approved by State2State prior to implementation.
- 2. Develop a detailed draft format for the case study used to document each best fit innovation. The format should reflect consultations on format and the appropriate level of detail with the intended end users of the innovation case studies state- and LGA-level officials desiring to implement the innovation. The case study format will be approved by State2State prior to implementation.
- 3. Conduct a comprehensive assessment of public sector reform initiatives in Nigeria across the nine areas by applying the approved criteria: Budget planning, administration and execution; Budget transparency; Procurement reform; Auditing; Internal controls; Internally generated revenue; Monitoring and evaluation; Gender; and Citizen participation and engagement. The assessment report will include those reform initiatives that meet the approved criteria for best fit innovation as well as promising reform initiatives that do not yet meet the criteria. The assessment report findings will be approved by State2State prior to finalization.
- 4. Produce a detailed case study for each reform initiative that meets the criteria for best fit innovation, using the approved format.
- 5. Conduct workshop with State2State team to present the findings of the Subnational Governance Best Fit Inventory.

Deliverables:

The selected organization will be responsible for completing and submitting the following deliverables and reports to State2State:

1. Comprehensive work plan, inclusive of criteria for including reform initiatives as a Best Fit public sector reform.

- 2. Case study format, reflecting consultations on format and the appropriate level of detail with the intended end users of the innovation case studies state- and LGA-level officials desiring to implement the innovation.
- 3. Best Fit Innovation assessment report that includes those reform initiatives that meet the approved criteria for best fit innovation as well as promising reform initiatives that do not yet meet the criteria.
- 4. Case studies for each Best Fit Innovation using the approved format.
- 5. Report and associated presentations from workshop with State2State team (templates to be provided by State2State).
- 6. Final Subcontract report (template to be provided by State2State).

The selected organization will communicate regularly during the implementation period with the State2State Chief of Party, or his designee. Challenges and obstacles to implementation should be reported to State2State immediately.

10.2 Attachment B: Proposal Cover Letter

[On Firm's Letterhead]

<Insert date>

TO: Click here to enter text.

Development Alternatives, Inc.

We, the undersigned, provide the attached proposal in accordance with **RFP**-Click here to enter text. Click here to enter text. Sured on Click here to enter text. Our attached proposal is for the total price of <Sum in Words (\$0.00 Sum in Figures) >.

I certify a validity period of Click here to enter text. days for the prices provided in the attached Price Schedule/Bill of Quantities. Our proposal shall be binding upon us subject to the modifications resulting from any discussions.

Offeror shall verify here the items specified in this RFP document.

We understand that DAI is not bound to accept any proposal it receives. Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signature:

Name and Title of Signatory: Click here to enter text.

Name of Firm: Click here to enter text.

Address: Click here to enter text.

Telephone: Click here to enter text.

Email: Click here to enter text.

Company Seal/Stamp:

10.3 Attachment C: Price Schedule

Item Number	Item Name	Description/Specifications	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price
1a	List the items that are to be supplied				
1b					
1c					
2	Delivery Cost to Click here to enter text.			per kilomet er	
3	VAT				
GRAND TOTAL IN Click here to enter text.					
GRAND TOTAL IN UNITED STATES DOLLARS				\$	

Delivery Period: Click here to enter text.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING A DUNS NUMBER

Note: There is a Mandatory Requirement for your Organization to Provide a DUNS number to DAI

- I. SUBCONTRACTS/PURCHASE ORDERS: All domestic and foreign organizations which receive first-tier subcontracts/ purchase orders with a value of \$30,000 and above are required to obtain a DUNS number <u>prior</u> to signing of the agreement. Your organization is exempt from this requirement if the gross income received from all sources in the previous tax year was under \$300,000. Please see the self-certification form attached.
- II. MONETARY GRANTS: All foreign entities receiving first-tier monetary grants (standard, simplified and FOGs) with a value equal to or over \$25,000 and performing work outside the U.S. must obtain a DUNS number <u>prior</u> to signing of the grant. All U.S. organizations who are recipients of first-tier monetary grants of any value are required to obtain a DUNS number; the exemption for under \$25,000 applies to foreign organizations only.

NO SUBCONTRACTS/POs (\$30,000 + above) or MONETARY GRANTS WILL BE SIGNED BY DAI WITHOUT PRIOR RECEIPT OF A DUNS NUMBER.

Note: The determination of a successful offeror/applicant resulting from this RFP/RFQ/RFA is contingent upon the winner providing a DUNS number to DAI. Organizations who fail to provide a DUNS number will not receive an award and DAI will select an alternate vendor/subcontractor/grantee.

Background:

Summary of Current U.S. Government Requirements- DUNS

The Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) is a system developed and managed by Dun and Bradstreet that assigns a unique nine-digit identifier to a business entity. It is a common standard worldwide and users include the U.S. Government, European Commission and the United Nations. The DUNS number will be used to better identify related organizations that are receiving U.S. federal funding, and to provide consistent name and address data for electronic application systems.

Instructions detailing the process to be followed in order to obtain a DUNs number for your organization begin on the next page.

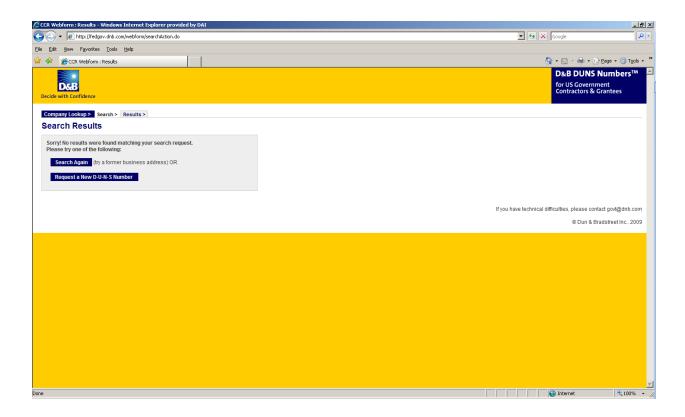
THE PROCESS FOR OBTAINING A DUNS NUMBER IS OUTLINED BELOW:

1. Log on to the D&B (Dun & Bradstreet) DUNS registration website to begin the process of obtaining a DUNS number free of charge.

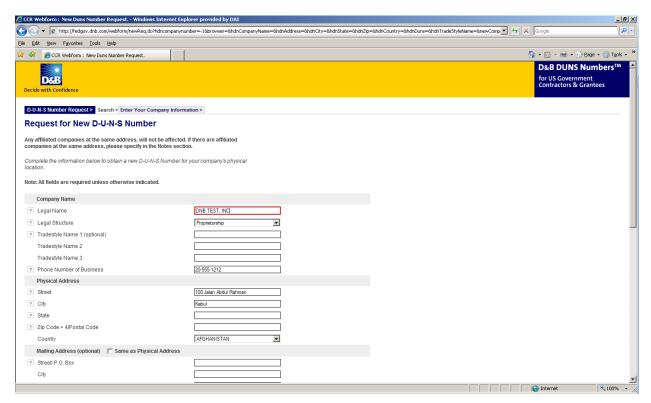
http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/index.jsp

Please note there is a bar on the left for Frequently Asked Questions as well as emails and telephone numbers for persons at Dun & Bradstreet for you to contact if you have any questions or difficulties completing the application on-line. DAI is not authorized to complete the application on your organization's behalf; the required data must be entered by an authorized official of your organization.

- 2. Select the Country where your company is physically located.
- 3. You will first be asked to search the existing DUNS database to see whether a DUNS number already exists for your organization/entity. Subcontractors/grantees who already have a DUNS number may verify/update their DUNS records.
- 4. Potential DAI subcontractors/vendors/grantees who do not already have a DUNS number will be shown the screen below. To request a new DUNS Number, the "Request a New D-U-N-S Number" button needs to be selected.



- 5. Enter the information regarding your organization listed on the next three screens. (See screen shots below.) Make sure you have the following information available (in English) prior to beginning the process of entering this section in order to ensure successful registration.
 - Legal Business Name (commas are allowed, periods are not allowed)
 - Address
 - Phone
 - Name of Owner/Executive
 - > Total Number of Employees
 - Annual Sales or Revenue (US Dollar equivalent)
 - Description of Operations
- 6. Note that some fields are Optional, however all other fields must be completed to proceed further with the application process. For example, all applicants must complete the Organization Information sections. The Company Name and Physical Address fields are self-populated based on information previously entered during the initial DUNS search. The question marks to the left of the field provide additional information when you click on them.

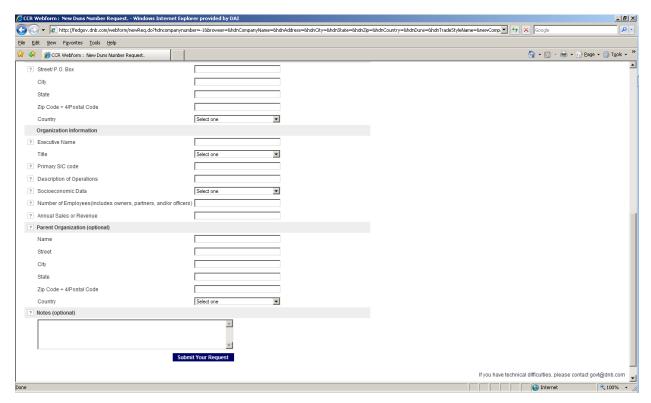


7. You must select the legal structure of your organization from the pull down menu. To assist you in selecting the appropriate structure that best represents your organization, a brief description of the various types follows:

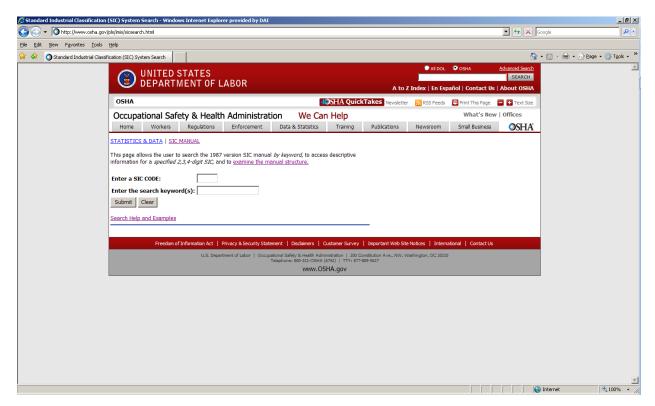
- Corporation A firm that meets certain legal requirements to be chartered by the state/province in which it is headquartered by the filing of articles of incorporation. A corporation is considered by law to be an entity separate and distinct from its owners. It can be taxed; it can be sued; it can enter into contractual agreements.
- **Government** central, province/state, district, municipal and other U.S. or local government entities. Includes universities, schools and vocational centers owned and operated by the government.
- Limited Liability Company (LLC) This is a type of business ownership combining several
 features of corporation and partnership structures. It is designed to provide the limited liability
 features of a corporation and the tax efficiencies and operational flexibility of a partnership. Its
 owners have limited personal liability for the LLC's debts and obligations, similar to the status of
 shareholders in a corporation. If your firm is an LLC, this will be noted on the organizations
 registration and licensing documents.
- Non-profit An entity which exists for charitable reasons and is not conducted or maintained for the purpose of making a profit. Any money earned must be retained by the organization, and used for its own expenses, operations, and programs. Most organizations which are registered in the host country as a non-governmental organization (NGO) rather than as a commercial business are anon-profit entities.

Community based organizations, trade associations, community development councils, and similar entities which are not organized as a profit making organization should select this status, even if your organization is not registered formally in country as an NGO.

- **Partnership-** a legal form of operation in which two or more individuals carry on a continuing business for profit as co-owners. The profits and losses are shared proportionally.
- Proprietorship-These firms are owned by one person, usually the individual who has day-to-day
 responsibility for running the business. Sole proprietors own all the assets of the business and
 the profits generated by it.
- 8. One of the most important fields that must be filled in is the Primary SIC code field. (See screen shot below.) The Primary Standard Industrial Code classifies the business' most relevant industry and function.



9. If you are unsure of which SIC Code your organization's core business falls under, please refer to the following website: http://www.osha.gov/oshstats/sicser.html



You will need to enter certain keywords to bring up the potential SIC Codes. In the case above, "Research" was entered as the keyword, and resulted in the following:



PLEASE NOTE: Many of the DAI subcontractors and grantees fall under one of the following SIC codes:

8742 Management Consulting Services

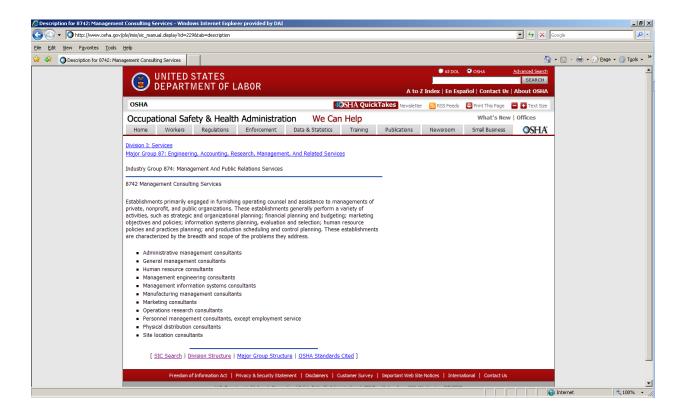
1542 General Contractors-Nonresidential Buildings, Other than Industrial Buildings and Warehouses or one of the codes within:

Industry Group 357: Computer And Office Equipment

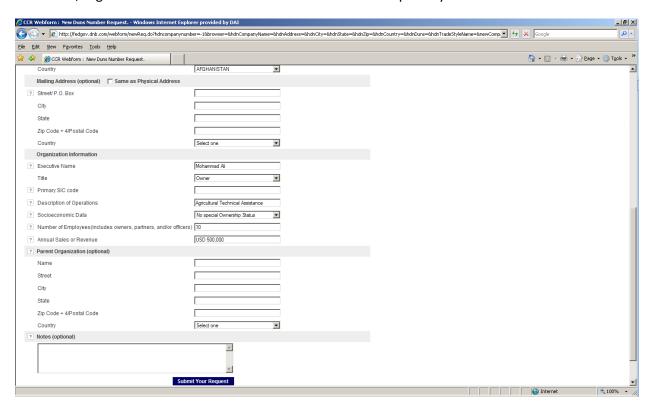
Industry Group 355: Special Industry Machinery, Except Metalworking

Industry Group 356: General Industrial Machinery And Equipment

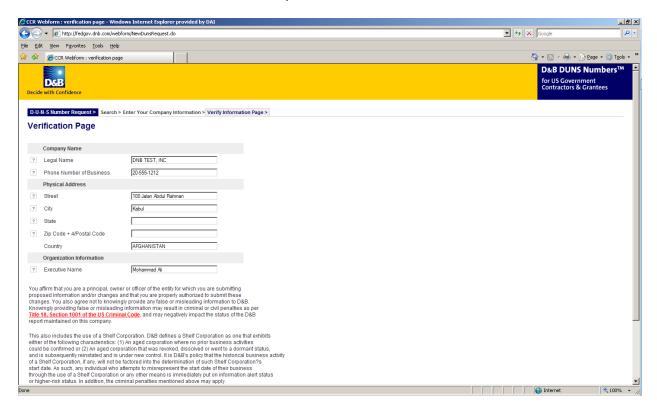
Industry Group 359: Miscellaneous Industrial And Commercial



10. Description of Operations- Enter a brief description of the primary services you provide the example below, "agricultural technical assistance" was chosen as the primary function of the business.



- 11. The Annual Sales or Revenue figure should be provided in USD (US Dollar) equivalent.
- 12. Once all of the fields have been completed, click on "Submit Your Request" to be taken to the Verification page.
- 13. Note: Representative (Principal, Owner or Officer) needs to verify and provide affirmation regarding the accuracy of the data under criminal or civil penalties as per Title 18, Section 1001 of the US Criminal Code.
- 14. Once "Yes, Continue" button is clicked, the registration application is sent to D&B, and a DUNS number should be available within 24-48 hours. DUNS database can be checked in 24-48 hours by entering the Business Information in the Search window which should now display a valid result with the new DUNS number for the entity.



10.5 Attachment E: Self Certification for Exemption from DUNS Requirement

For Subcontractors and Vendors

Legal Business Name:	
Physical Address:	
Physical City:	
Physical Foreign Province (if applicable):	
Physical Country:	
Signature of Certifier	
Full Name of Certifier (Last Name, First/Middle Names):	
Title of Certifier:	
Date of Certification (mm/dd/yyyy):	

The sub-contractor/vendor whose legal business name is provided herein, certifies that we are an organization exempt from obtaining a DUNS number, as the gross income received from all sources in the previous tax year is under USD \$300,000.

The sub-contractor/vendor agrees to allow the Prime Contractor and/or the US Government to verify the company name, physical address, or other information provided herein. Certification validity is for one year from the date of certification.

^{*}By submitting this certification, the certifier attests to the accuracy of the representations and certifications contained herein. The certifier understands that s/he and/or the sub-contractor/vendor may be subject to penalties, if s/he misrepresents the sub-contractor/vendor in any of the representations or certifications to the Prime Contractor and/or the US Government.

10.6 Attachment F: Past Performance Form

Include projects that best illustrate your work experience relevant to this RFP, sorted by decreasing order of completion date.

Projects should have been undertaken in the past three years. Projects undertaken in the past six years may be taken into consideration at the discretion of the evaluation committee.

#	Project Title	Description of Activities	Location Province/ District	Client Name/Tel No	Cost in US\$	Start-End Dates	Complete d on schedule (Yes/No)	Completion Letter Received? (Yes/No)	Type of Agreement, Subcontract, Grant, PO (fixed price, cost reimbursable)
1									
2									
3									
4									
5									

10.7 Attachment G: Representations and Certifications of Compliance

- 1. <u>Federal Excluded Parties List</u> The Bidder Select is not presently debarred, suspended, or determined ineligible for an award of a contract by any Federal agency.
- Executive Compensation Certification- FAR 52.204-10 requires DAI, as prime contractor of U.S. federal government contracts, to report compensation levels of the five most highly compensated subcontractor executives to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Sub-Award Report System (FSRS)
- 3. Executive Order on Terrorism Financing- The Contractor is reminded that U.S. Executive Orders and U.S. law prohibits transactions with, and the provision of resources and support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. It is the legal responsibility of the Contractor/Recipient to ensure compliance with these Executive Orders and laws. Recipients may not engage with, or provide resources or support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. No support or resources may be provided to individuals or entities that appear on the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked persons List maintained by the US Treasury (online at www.SAM.gov) or the United Nations Security Designation List (online at: http://www.un.org/sc/committees/1267/aq_sanctions_list.shtml). This provision must be included in all subcontracts/sub awards issued under this Contract.
- 4. <u>Trafficking of Persons</u> The Contractor may not traffic in persons (as defined in the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking of persons, especially Women and Children, supplementing the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime), procure commercial sex, and use forced labor during the period of this award.
- Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payment to Influence Certain Federal Transactions The Bidder certifies that it currently is and will remain in compliance with FAR 52.203-11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payment to Influence Certain Federal Transactions.
- 6. Organizational Conflict of Interest The Bidder certifies that will comply FAR Part 9.5, Organizational Conflict of Interest. The Bidder certifies that is not aware of any information bearing on the existence of any potential organizational conflict of interest. The Bidder further certifies that if the Bidder becomes aware of information bearing on whether a potential conflict may exist, that Bidder shall immediately provide DAII with a disclosure statement describing this information.
- 7. <u>Prohibition of Segregated Facilities</u> The Bidder certifies that it is compliant with FAR 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities.
- 8. <u>Equal Opportunity</u> The Bidder certifies that it does not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, sex, religion, handicap, race, creed, color or national origin.
- 9. Labor Laws The Bidder certifies that it is in compliance with all labor laws.

- 10. <u>Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)</u> The Bidder certifies that it is familiar with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and is in not in violation of any certifications required in the applicable clauses of the FAR, including but not limited to certifications regarding lobbying, kickbacks, equal employment opportunity, affirmation action, and payments to influence Federal transactions.
- 11. <u>Employee Compliance</u> The Bidder warrants that it will require all employees, entities and individuals providing services in connection with the performance of an DAI Purchase Order to comply with the provisions of the resulting Purchase Order and with all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations in connection with the work associated therein.

By submitting a proposal, offerors agree to fully comply with the terms and conditions above and all applicable U.S. federal government clauses included herein, and will be asked to sign these Representations and Certifications upon award.