

FAQ on call for project proposals to support defence reforms in Ukraine

The British Embassy Kyiv provides answers to FAQ regarding the call for project proposals to support the corporate governance reform of Ukrainian state-owned defence company Ukroboronprom.

The British Embassy Kyiv provides answers to frequently asked questions (FAQ) received from potential bidders regarding the Call for Bids to implement the “Support to Corporate Governance Reform of Ukroboronprom” project. The initiative focuses on promoting the corporate governance reform of Ukrainian state-owned defence company Ukroboronprom.

Question:

What costs must be included in administrative costs? Are salaries and fees for external experts included in this chapter of the budget?

Answer:

Administrative costs are costs that cannot be directly tied to a specific outcome/activity/function within the project. Dependent on the project, administrative costs may include office running costs, project team salaries and other expenses.

Salaries and fees for external experts should be included into the chapters relating to project activities implemented by these experts. However, salaries and fees for external experts may be included in this chapter if they are not directly tied to a specific outcome/activity/function within the project.

Question:

Outputs one and two within the Terms of Reference refer to the review of Ukroboronprom’s corporate governance architecture. Is this a requirement to review Ukroboronprom as a parent company (headquarters) only or does it include a review of the organisation’s subsidiaries?

Answer:

This requirement refers to Ukroboronprom as a parent company (headquarters), but the positioning of Ukroboronprom’s subsidiaries within the overall structure of the parent company should also be considered.

Question:

Bidders are required to outline their experience in similar projects. Can bidders only reference experience in Ukraine or can references be made to similar projects in other countries?

Answer:

Bidders are welcome to demonstrate their international experience in implementing similar projects, but direct experience and skills in conducting reviews of corporate governance models of state-owned companies in Ukraine would be preferable.

Question:

In the Terms of Reference there is a requirement to present on outputs. Should this presentation be delivered in Ukraine only?

Answer:

The presentation should be delivered only in Ukraine.

Question:

What are the contracting parties for this project?

Answer:

The contracting parties to the project agreement will be the:

- Donor (Foreign and Commonwealth Office)
- Grantee (Implementing party – Successful bidder)

Question:

What is the composition of the Project Steering Committee?

Answer:

The Project Steering Committee will include:

- Representatives of Ukroboronprom
- Representatives of the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Agriculture (to be confirmed)
- Representatives of the British Embassy Kyiv

Question:

Is this project related to other public tenders announced by Ukroboronprom?

Answer:

This project should be considered by bidders as a standalone intervention which is not related to any other tenders of Ukroboronprom.