

SPECIFIC AND TECHNICAL CONDITIONS FOR A CONSULTANT TO ENGAGE WITH MALARIA COUNTRY STAKEHOLDERS TO PROMOTE IVERMECTIN DEMAND AND OWNERSHIP OF NEW TOOLS TO CONTROL RESIDUAL MALARIA TRANSMISSION

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I. OBJECT OF THE SUBJECT

The present document (the "Pliego") is intended to contract a consultant for creating ivermectin demand and build ownership and engagement with stakeholders.

All the technical specifications contained in this document are considered to be part of the minimum requirements and do not exclude any other needs for compliance with the purpose of the service contracted.

II. CONTENT OF THE WORK

Ivermectin as a complementary tool to reduce malaria transmission. The outcome of the BOHEMIA project is the creation of an enabling environment for ivermectin as a new class of complementary vector control for malaria control and elimination. The path to achieve this is to generate evidence to inform a WHO policy recommendation, engagement with stakeholders to build ownership during and after the trials, and following results, begin to create demand and work with generics manufacturers to build supply against the projected demand estimates.

Scope of work

ISGlobal – Barcelona Institute for Global Health is a research center in international health whose ultimate goal is to help close the gaps in health disparities between and within different regions of the world. For this, we leverage on knowledge generation (research), transmission (training), and application (policy and global development). ISGlobal is a WHO Collaborating Center for Malaria Elimination and Eradication.

One of ISGlobal's research lines is the potential use of drugs, particularly ivermectin, that when administered to humans and/or livestock reduce the life span of mosquitoes feeding on treated individuals, potentially contributing to decrease malaria transmission if distributed at community level at the appropriate time. For this purpose, ivermectin would be used at a dose/regimen that is higher than the currently approved.

ISGlobal is looking for an experienced consultant to create ivermectin demand as well as to build ownership and engagement with stakeholders. The engagement of global

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and regional stakeholders will be key for policy recommendation, successful implementation, acceptance of the project, and country ownership.

The key deliverables are:

- 1. Stakeholder mapping globally, regionally and specifically, in the 2 pilot countries (Mozambique and Tanzania), including donors, implementers, and country level stakeholders to be engaged for policy making and advocacy
- 2. Development of a work plan to determine appropriate timing and venues for engagement of mapped stakeholders with the agreement of NMCPs and other required actors
- 3. Advisory services to develop and facilitate Partner Forum meetings in each applicable country with the corresponding policy and advocacy follow-up
- 4. Technical briefings for global donors such as the Global Fund for Tuberculosis, AIDS and Malaria, PMI, DFID, World Bank, and other deemed as potential funders
- 5. Regional engagement and technical briefings for endorsement through ALMA, SADC, EAC, ECOWAS, WAHO, RBM, CRSPC, and SRN meetings as deemed necessary
- 6. Engagement of Procurement Focal Points at each donor agency as well as arrangement of technical meetings to link procurement to the policy level effort in order to ensure that ivermectin is understood and shepherded through potentially lengthy negotiation processes

III. PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTRACT

ISGlobal will appoint a person responsible for relations with the consultant group (the "Contract Responsible"), who will coordinate with the staff of the entity and who will channel communications between the two parties.

IV. MANAGEMENT OF WORK AND QUALITY CONTROL

ISGlobal and the consultant will establish by common agreement a calendar of communications that will consist of weekly or bi-weekly progress calls. Regardless of these scheduled calls, the Contract Responsible and the consultant may meet at any time if any of the two parties considers it appropriate, depending on the progress of the work hired. At any meeting the responsible person may choose to bring additional participants from ISGlobal if considered convenient. Monthly reports will be provided by the consultant.

V. REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Proven track record of successful country engagement
- Proven record of informing policy decisions at regional and country level
- Expert knowledge of multilateral funding mechanisms
- Expert knowledge of industry stakeholders
- More than 15 years of experience working in the malaria community

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- Developed projects or initiatives with malaria organizations: multilateral and bilateral, private sector, UN agencies and NGOs such as RBM, World Bank, PMI, UNICEF, etc.
- Good understanding of public-private partnerships
- Expertise in funding, procurement, and partnership practices of donor agencies

VI. PERIOD OF EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE REPORT

The execution of the work will be carried out through the four years of the project. ISGlobal is subject to a stage-gate process ending in December 2019 with critical milestones to allow continuation of the project through 2023. The current agreement would cover the four years provided ISGlobal is successful in delivering the 2019 milestones.

VII. ESSENTIAL CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The following will be considered as essential obligations of the successful bidder:

a) Guarantee absolute confidentiality of the documentation received, taking the due diligence not to disclose it, or use it in any way other than the purpose of this contract. Failure to comply with this obligation will automatically imply termination of the contract and will result in a claim by ISGlobal for damages that may have been inflicted.

b) Guarantee and take responsibility for the technical quality of the works and services developed as well as for the consequences that may occur, for ISGlobal or for third parties, due to omissions, errors, inadequate methods, or incorrect conclusions in the execution of the contract.

c) Strict follow-up of the report audits.

d) Deliver the works and reports hired in the manner and terms provided in the Bidding Document.

VIII. CONTRACT PERIOD

The duration of the contract will be 240 days distributed throughout the 4 years of the project in the following manner:

Year 1: 30 days Year 2: 30 days Year 3: 72 days Year 4: 72 days

The estimated start date of the contract is May 20, 2019.



IX. BUDGET, PRICE AND ESTIMATED VALUE OF THE CONTRACT

The contract budget amounts to the maximum amount of

USD 132.600 exempt bidders (EUR 97.889,18) (excluding VAT) for non-exempt bidders

The award amount will not exceed this budget in any case. The price of the contract, consequently, will be that to which it rises plus the corresponding Value Added Tax, in the case of non-exempt bidders, which must be included in the separate item.

X. ADVERTISING

The present contract will be published by announcement in the Contracting Profile of the entity on the website: <u>www.isglobal.org</u>

XI. PLACE AND DATE OF SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

The economic proposals must be submitted by email to the address licitaciones@isglobal.org The deadline for submitting proposals will end on 17 May, at 12:00.

XII. LEGAL SYSTEM OF THE CONTRACT

The contract is considered a private contract and is subject to private law, ruling by this Schedule, by the contract and documentation attached, and in everything not provided by the applicable civil and commercial legislation.

XIII. EXPENDIENT OF RECRUITMENT, AWARD PROCEDURE OF THE CONTRACT AND DOCUMENTATION TO BE PROVIDED TENDERS

The contracting of the reference services will be awarded by the procedure envisaged in Section IX of the Internal Contracting Instructions of the entity. From the day of publication of the tender notice, interested companies can obtain the necessary documentation to prepare their proposals through the contractor's profile on the website www.isglobal.org.

XIV. PAYMENT METHOD

The consultor will be providing monthly reports with an invoice and will work on a daily rate basis of 650USD/day (expenses not included) for the level of effort according to the World Health Organization guidelines. Payment will always be made under invoice and 30 days invoice date by bank transfer:



Year 1: 19.500 USD Year 2: 19.500 USD Year 3: 46,800 USD Year 4: 46,800 USD

Barcelona, May 8, 2019