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Request for Proposals (RFP) No. FIP001

Responses to questions

The target population is approximately 500 women-owned SMEs. Is the target total for 3 provinces or for each province so the total will be 1500?

IPA: It is a total of 500 women-owned SMEs for the survey.

Is there a schedule for RFP Seminar?

IPA: There is no RFP seminar scheduled.

Is there an FAQ document?

IPA: There is no FAQ document.

Is a Private Consultant Company eligible to participate in this tender?

IPA: Yes, they are eligible to participate in this tender

Is the tender requires two separate proposal (one for normal situation and the other for accommodating COVID-19 condition), or one proposal but included two options (normal situation and COVID-19 situation) will be sufficient?

IPA: One proposal including 2 options (one for in-person and in response to COVID) is fine.

A, About participants for Qualitative research

1. What are the specific criteria for SMEs under this studies (since there many variant of SMEs based on size, type of busines, etc)?

IPA: The specific criteria will be determined during the project and will be informed by the previous steps. This will include, size of MSME, type of industry, etc.

2. the objectives of the project is focus on women-owned SMEs, yet in the detail of participants it also mentioned women and man owned SMEs. What is the rationales for man-owned SMES as participants for the study?

IPA: The rationale is to compare and contrast gender differences, so we can more accurately determine challenges as they relate to gender specifically, rather than the size of the organization, type of industry, etc.

3. The document stated, number of participants as 30 respondents. Is this total of all type of respondents. or 30 for each category? (30 women, 30 man, 30 other stakeholder)

IPA: This will be 30 respondents in total.

4. What is the rationale to for geographical focus on North Sulawesi, South Sumatera, and Riau?

IPA: The geographies are prioritized by the prime sponsor according to their current and future focus in this area.

5. Related to geographical focus, for respondents (and sampling in quantitative research): in what ways subject are being selected (is it provincial based, sub district level, etc?).

IPA: The final decision will be made during the project, but it will most likely be at sub-district level.

B. Human Centered Design Workshop

1. what is the main objectives of the HCD workshop? Is it to design innovate system/service for SMEs in accessing financial support or to verified research study or else?

IPA: The objective of the HCD workshop is to co-create a pilot for a financial service and/or product with the Financial Service Provider based on the findings of the research conducted during the project.