**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

FIRE house design

(RFP/18-14)

**Under**

Lebanon Reforestation Initiative

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| **RFP Release Date:** | **May 16, 2018** |
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| **Proposal Submission Deadline:** | May 30, 2018 |
| **Question/ Inquiry Submission Deadline:** | **May 27, 2018** |

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# Introduction

## Organization Background

The Lebanon Reforestation Initiative is an ongoing, multi-year project funded by United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and implemented by the United States Forest Service (USFS), implementing a community-based reforestation program that has resulted so far in the planting of more than half- a-million native trees throughout Lebanon since 2011.  The project promotes a community-led approach to reforestation, bringing together diverse committed municipalities, community stakeholders, Lebanese civil society organizations, and other actors such as the private sector, to restore and replant degraded community lands. With administrative offices in Beirut, LRI technical experts manage a multi-year work program of activities throughout Lebanon in collaboration with grassroots organizations and local communities.

# Purpose

The purpose of this RFP is to contract with an esteemed architect to make the design of a FIRE house with all the needed facilities to serve as a prototype for civil defense/firefighters in Lebanon.

The fire house design should comply to NFPA 1500 Codes and Standards for Fire stations occupational safety and should be customized to Lebanese context.

## Scope of Work

The architect will support LRI in developing conceptual sketches of possible structural designs of a fire station. These renderings will be accompanied with general estimates of cost of all the activities.

## Deliverables

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| **Deliverables** |
| **Deliverable 1: Preconstruction Floor plan and side elevations.** |
| A performance-based design for a facility allowing the optimization of space, usage and efficient operations’ coordination of firefighters.  The proposed facility’s design should include a vestibule, a multipurpose room, a kitchen, a sanitary room (toilets and showers), engine bay for 2 fire trucks/vehicles, an operation room with a director’s office and a convenient storage space. The design should show relationship between the facilities, spaces and other physical features at one level of a structure. Dimension and construction details should be convenient to accommodate a firefighting crew of 10 members maximum and a storage space for standard firefighting tools and safety materials. |
| **Deliverable 2: BOQ** |
| The structure is expected to be light and should accommodate diverse functions in adjacent spaces with resistant materials.  The BOQ will need to include the cost estimation of suggested material to be used in the construction and an approximate labor and services cost. |
| Time Schedule of Deliverable 1 and 2 : 20 working days after agreement signature. |

# CONTRACT MECHANISM & TERMS OF PAYMENT

LRI anticipates issuing a *service agreement* to the Service provider. The duration of the agreement will be from June 15, 2018 until July 15, 2018.

# PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

## Instructions for Proposal Preparation

The selection committee will evaluate the Offerors based upon their written technical and cost proposals. Each section will be evaluated according to the criteria for evaluations in Section IV. Offerors are expected to examine the specifications and all instructions in the RFP. Failure to do so is at the Offeror’s risk. Interested Offerors must provide the following:

### Capability and Technical Experience Statement

Demonstrate capabilities and technical experience by providing the following:

1. Portfolio and organization’s/Personal official registration
2. Project Approach
3. Website/references

### Cost Proposal

Offerors will submit a proposed budget with their proposals in a separate, sealed envelope (or separate file, if submitting via email) labeled “Budget Proposal.” The proposed budget will have sufficient detail to allow evaluation of elements of costs proposed. Budgets should be submitted in US Dollars or LBP; please label your budget with the name of the currency. LRI reserves the right to request any additional information to support detailed cost and price.

### References

Please include three client references and contact information. References should have worked with your organization/person within the past two years in connection with the countries or regions (and if possible, subject matter) applicable to this RFP.

## Instructions for Submission of Proposal

1. The technical and price proposals shall be separately bound and identified as such (or sent via email). Each volume shall be clearly identified with the RFP number and the Offeror’s name.

All responses to this RFP must be received no later than the submission deadline on the cover page of this RFPto:

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| Lebanon Reforestation Initiative  Hazmieh, Ilham Said Freiha Street, Hazmieh Square, 4th floor | |
| Attention: | Joelle Salameh  Joseph Bechara |
| Email: | [jsalameh@lri-lb.org](mailto:jsalameh@lri-lb.org)  jbechara@lri-lb.org |

Faxed offers are not acceptable.

1. All inquiries and requests for information regarding this RFP must be submitted by email to the following individuals no later than the question/inquiry submission deadline on the cover page of this RFP. Reference the RFP number in all questions/inquiries.

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|  | Contractual | Technical |
| Name: | Joelle Salameh  Joseph Bechara | |
| Email: | [jsalameh@lri-lb.org](mailto:jsalameh@lri-lb.org)  jbechara@lri-lb.org | |

1. Lebanon Reforestation Initiative will not compensate Offerors for their preparation of responses to this RFP.

# CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

LRI will evaluate proposals based on a best-value determination; Offerors should submit their most competitive price proposal. Proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria:

* Price – 30 %
* Previous references – 10 %
* Previous experience (a minimum of 5 years in house designs) – 40 %
* Qualifications (a degree in architecture) – 20 %

The evaluation committee will review the technical proposal based upon the technical criteria listed above. The cost proposals will be reviewed to ensure they are complete and free of computational errors. The committee will also assess the reasonableness of costs and the cost-effectiveness of the budget, and will determine whether the costs reflect a clear understanding of project requirements. A contract will be offered to the responsible Service Provider whose proposal follows the RFP instructions and is judged to be the most advantageous to LRI.

# SOLICITATION PROCESS

Once the RFP is released, the Offerors must prepare a formal proposal to be sent to the contact person at LRI as indicated in Section III (b) (1). The submitted proposals will be reviewed against the criteria for evaluation defined in Section IV above and rated on their ability to satisfy the requirements stated in this RFP document. A preferred service provider will be chosen and formally notified. A formal contract will be negotiated with the selected service provider and, if endorsed, the Offeror will begin work on the project.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## Late Submissions

Proposals received after the submission deadline stated in the cover page of this RFP may not be considered. Offerors will be held responsible for ensuring their quotations are received according to the instructions stated herein. A late offer will be considered if the cause was attributable to LRI or its employees/agents, or if it is in the best interest of LRI.

## Modification of RFP Requirements

LRI retains the right to terminate the RFP or modify the requirements upon notification to Offerors.

## Withdrawals of Proposals

Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice via email at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an Offeror or authorized representative, if the representative’s identity is made known and the representative signs a receipt for the proposal before award.

## Right of Negotiation and Acceptance of Proposal

This RFP represents a definition of requirements and is an invitation for submission of proposals. LRI reserves the right to fund/award any or none of the submitted proposals. No commitment is made, either expressed or implied, to compensate Offerors for costs incurred in the preparation and submission of their proposal.

LRI may reject any proposal that is nonresponsive. A responsive proposal is one that complies with all terms and conditions of the RFP. A proposal must be complete, signed by an authorized signatory, and delivered no later than the submission time and date indicated on the cover sheet of this RFP. LRI may reserve the right to waive any minor discrepancies in a proposal.

LRI reserves the right to issue an award based on the initial evaluation of proposals without discussion. LRI also reserves the right to enter into best and final negotiations with any responsive Offerors for all or part of the proposed scope.

## Validity of Proposal

Proposals submitted shall remain open for acceptance for *20 days* from the last date specified for receipt of proposals. This includes, but is not limited to, pricing, terms and conditions, service levels, and all other information. If your organization is awarded the contract, all information in the RFP and negotiation process is contractually binding.

## Minimum Offeror Qualifications

Offerors submitting proposals must (1) be officially licensed to do such business in *Lebanon*, (2) be able to receive USAID funds and (3) not have been identified as a terrorist. In addition, Offeror may be required to provide the following information:

* Documentation to verify licensure (e.g., tax id, registration certificate, etc.)
* Demonstration of adequate management to perform the contract
* Satisfactory records of performance history, integrity and business ethics

## Intellectual Property Rights

All tangible or intangible property created or acquired under this contract shall be the exclusive property of LRI and the donor. The term “property” includes all data and reports associated with this engagement. Reference is made to Sections 12 and 13 in the business terms and conditions attached in Appendix A.

# ATTACHMENTS

## aPPENDIX A. Technical Proposal Submission Sheet

*(Complete this form with all the requested details and submit it as the first page of your technical proposal, with the documents requested above attached. Ensure that your proposal is authorized in the signature block below. A signature and authorization on this form will confirm that the terms and conditions of this RFP prevail over any attachments. If your proposal is not authorized, it may be rejected.)*

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| Date of Technical Proposal: |  |
| RFP Number: |  |
| RFP Title: |  |

We offer to provide the goods/services described in the Scope of Work, in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in Request for Proposal referenced above. We confirm that we are eligible to participate in public procurement and meet the eligibility criteria specified.

The validity period of our proposal is \_\_\_\_ days/weeks/months from the time and date of the submission deadline.