WADI
Water and Development Indefinite Delivery
Indefinite Quantity Contract
Bureau for Economic Growth, Education and Environment/Water Office

Key Contract Information

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<th>Overall IDIQ Ceiling:</th>
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<td>Number of Consortia:</td>
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Purpose

The Water and Development IDIQ (WADI) will support USAID missions, bureaus, and other operating units in implementing USAID’s Water and Development Strategy. Task orders implemented through this IDIQ will reflect the Agency’s strategic direction in the water sector, including improving health outcomes through the provision of sustainable water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) and managing agricultural water sustainably and more productively to enhance food security.

WADI Technical Expertise

WADI can provide a broad range of technical assistance to address complex development needs in the water sector. This technical assistance is divided into the cross-cutting services and performance technical areas described below.

Cross-Cutting Services

Data Collection and Management
Assessment and Analysis
Strategic Planning and Program Design
Capacity Building and Institutional Strengthening
Policy, Legal, Regulatory, and Institutional Program Support
Technical Program Support
Service Delivery Support
Knowledge Management, Information Sharing, Cooperation, and Coordination
Performance Monitoring and Evaluation

Performance Technical Areas

Water Resources Management
Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)
Agriculture and Food Security
Coastal Management
Environment
Economic Growth and Energy
Democracy and Governance
Innovation, Research, and Evaluation
Knowledge Management

Additional IDIQ Services
Applying Science and Technology to Development
Supporting Innovation, Alliances & Partnerships
Strengthening Local Institutions (including small grants management)
Enhancing Performance Monitoring, Evaluation and Transparency
Catalyzing Behavior Change
Grants under Contract
Commodity Procurement

## How to Access WADI Services

WADI includes seven consortia (four led by large businesses and three small business-led consortia). All Task Orders valued at $3,000,000 and below are set-aside for WADI small business consortia. In addition, all Communications and Knowledge Management and Monitoring and Evaluation Task Orders are set-aside for WADI small business consortia.

To access WADI services:

1. **Prepare a draft statement of work (SOW)** for a task order that briefly describes: the purpose, background, objectives, desired activities, deliverables and/or performance measures (as appropriate), notional budget and projected timeframe.

2. **Share the draft SOW and Independent Government Cost Estimate (IGCE) with the WADI COR** who will verify that activities are consistent with the WADI SOW and that the budget is within the IDIQ ceiling. The WADI COR may provide substantive comments for consideration prior to approval.

3. **Share the SOW with the TOCO** who will determine competition requirements, specified in Clause F.7 of the WADI Contract. The TOCO will verify that the activity is covered under a PAD (for required mandatory sustainability, gender and environmental analyses) per ADS 201. The TOCO will also verify that the requirement is compliant with the mandatory ADS 205 guidance on gender integration in a solicitation.

4. **Issue a Request for Task Order Proposal (RFTOP).** The TOCO issues the RFTOP.

5. **Award.** The TOCOR and TOCO will work together to evaluate the proposal(s) and award a task order.

### SOWs for WADI Task Orders must:

- Be consistent with the WADI scope.
- Align with the Agency Water and Development Strategy strategic objectives and adhere to its operating principles. SOWs in the five technical areas that have heightened emphasis under the Strategy (Sustainability of WASH Services, Water Quality, Sanitation, Agricultural Water Management, and WASH-Nutrition Integration) are particularly encouraged.
- Seek to achieve tangible results out of all interventions and include reporting on standard indicators and custom indicators, when appropriate, as specified in the Water and Development Strategy Implementation Field Guide (Section II).
- Make all project data open and transparently available to the public.
- If applicable, include only activities that are eligible under the directive/earmark to be used. (See Annex 6 of the Water and Development Strategy Implementation Field Guide for Water Directive Guidance.)

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## Task Order Thresholds & Timelines

Because the WADI services have been pre-competitive, there is a streamlined proposal process for WADI RFTOPs. As a result, the documentation for both the RFTOP and the proposals is more concise than in fully competed RFPs. Staff developing RFTOPs for WADI should review Clause F.7 of the WADI Contract and note the threshold limits regarding documentation for cost and technical proposals:

- **For activities equal or less than US $500,000:** The cost proposal is limited to 2 pages and the technical proposal is limited to 3 pages.
- **For activities between US $500,000 and $3,000,000:** The cost proposal is limited to 2 pages and the technical proposal is limited to 10 pages.
For activities over $3,000,000: The TOCO has discretion in setting the documentation length.

Proposal Timelines
Although the contracts do not designate a specific period for which contractors shall respond to RFTOPs, we strongly suggest the following timelines for responses:

1. A minimum of two weeks for response to RFTOPs up to $3 million.
2. A minimum of three weeks for response to RFTOPs expected to exceed $3 million, with four to five weeks more likely to provide the highest quality responses.

Infrastructure Development, A&E Services & Construction
Any infrastructure that is proposed to be developed must be complementary to and necessary for achieving the overall program goals as determined by the TOCO and WADI COR. WADI is not an infrastructure development mechanism. Major construction, such as the construction of a large dam, is not within the WADI SOW. Small construction projects in support of achieving the overall program goals may be appropriate. Construction and/or Architectural & Engineering (A&E) services are not to be the predominant component of any task order, which is generally considered to be less than 40% of the total estimated cost. If there are questions about whether or not your program is appropriate under WADI, engage the TOCO and WADI COR in discussions early in program design. Construction activities identified in the WADI SOW include, but are not limited to:

- Water Well Drilling, Well Maintenance, and Repair
- Urban Water Supply and Distribution
- Rural Water Supply and Distribution
- Urban Sanitation Service Delivery
- Rural Sanitation Service Delivery
- Irrigation and Drainage Management
- Water Storage
- Water and Wastewater Utilities Performance, including Operation and Maintenance

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Prime Contractors and Consortia
In the WADI solicitation, emphasis was placed on ensuring that primes carefully selected sub-contractors that bring specific skills and value-added that will be frequently utilized under the IDIQ. A heavy emphasis was put on inclusion of strong small-business partners that can play a significant technical role within WADI while helping meet USAID Small Business utilization targets. The result is a broad range of technical expertise that includes Large,
Small and Small Disadvantaged Businesses, Non-Governmental Organizations, US Universities, and International Research Centers. Selected WADI implementing partners include:

**Large Business Consortia**

**AECOM International Development:**
CARE
ACDI/VOCA
Social Impact
The Kaizen Company
Camassia Applied Science
Agland Invest Services
International Development Enterprise (iDE)
WaterAid America
Emory University Center for Global Safe Water
John Hopkins University Center for Communication Programs (JHU-CCP)
University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR)
Cornell University’s Atkinson Center for a Sustainable Future (ACSF)
University of Rhode Island and the Coastal Resources Center (CRC)
Pierce Atwood LLP

**Development Alternatives, Inc. (DAI):**
Cloudburst Consulting Group, Inc.
Sheladia Associates, Inc.
Program for Appropriate Technology in Health (PATH)
National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR)
Taoti Creative
University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)
Training Resource Group, Inc. (TRG)
World Resources Institute (WRI)
Valu Add Management Services

**International Resources Group Ltd. (IRG):**
CDM Smith
Arizona State University
Banyan Global
Computer Assisted Development Inc. (CADI)
Environmental Law Institute (ELI)
Fintrac
Integra
International Research Institute for Climate and Society (IRI)
Population Services International (PSI)
Stratus
University of Hawaii

**Tetra Tech ARD:**
The Aquaya Institute, Inc.
Development Innovations Group (DIG)
Iris Group, Inc.
Mendez England & Associates (ME&A)
SSG ADVISORS
Family Health International (FHI360)
Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development
Arc Finance Ltd
Small Business Consortia

ECODIT LLC:
Bridgeborn
CNFA
Eureka! Ranch
Johns Hopkins University – Center for Communication Programs
I.M. Systems Group, Inc. (IMSG)
MRAG Americas
Nathan Associates
Relief International/Enterprise Works
Riverside Technology, Inc.
RTI International
Social Impact
URS Group, Inc.

Mendez England & Associates (ME&A):
Tetra Tech ARD
ACDI/VOCA
Blue Planet Network
Cardno Emerging Markets
Cultural Practice LLC
National Opinion Research Center (NORC) at University of Chicago
Save the Children
Value Add Management Services
ICF Incorporated LLC
The Kaizen Company
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Synergy International Systems

Natural Resources Consulting Engineers, Inc. (NRCE):
AI Global LLC (previously Innovation Partners International)
CH2M HILL, Inc.
Conservation International Foundation
Deloitte Consulting, LLP
Futures Group/GRM
IDEO.org
IMPAQ International
J.E. Austin Associates (JAA)
Newdea Inc.
Panagora Group

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