Call for Expression of Interest to Host the GWOPA Secretariat

Evaluation of Proposals and Recommendation

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Presentation Overview

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What are WOPs?

WOPs are solidarity-based peer support partnerships that help operators develop their capacities to play their important role in meeting the Millennium Development Goals and moving towards the fulfillment of the Right to Water.
GWOPA: Supporting WOPs globally

- GWOPA is an **UNSGAB** initiative: a global mechanism to scale-up peer support between water operators to address capacity gaps towards the MDGs.
- Led and hosted by **UN-HABITAT** since 2007 upon request of former UN Secretary General.
- A **multi-stakeholder alliance** of partners mainly supporting urban utilities through systematized WOPs.
Why Are Alternative Hosting Arrangements being sought?

❖ As a sustainable resource mobilization strategy
  • Since its foundation, GWOPA has been financed through UN-Habitat’s water and Sanitation Trust Fund
  • Suitable long-term external hosting pursued to mobilize sustainable financial resources

❖ To foster an Alliance approach
  • A UN-HABITAT led initiative with broad membership
  • Fostering greater ownership by diverse partners
EoI Call Process and Time Frame

- **Call Launched**: Jan 31st, 2012
- **EOI Deadline**: April 30th, 2012
- **Proposal Follow-Up & Elaboration**: May-June 2012
- **Recommendation**: June 28th, 2012
- **Acceptance and HCA Development**: from July 2012
Close of Call, April 30th 2012
Three EoIs Received

UNESCO-IHE
Delft, the Netherlands

The City of Barcelona, Spain

The Turkish Water Institute (SUEN)
Istanbul, Turkey
Proposals

The City of Barcelona, Spain
The City of Barcelona

Location: Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain
Chief Proponent: The City of Barcelona
Host Institution: Sant Pau Facility
Funding Sources: The Govt. of Spain and a Private Sector Consortium
Additional Supporting Institutions: Government of Catalonia
Total Value of Support: 1.4M USD/yr for 5 years
+ 625,000USD (once)
Proposals

The Turkish Water Institute (SUEN)
Istanbul, Turkey
The Turkish Water Institute (SUEN)

Location: Istanbul, Turkey
Chief Proponent: the Turkish Water Institute (SUEN)
Host Institution: the Turkish Water Institute (SUEN)
Funding Sources: the Turkish Ministry of Forestry and Water
Supporting Institutions: Min. of Forestry and Water and Min. Foreign Affairs
Total Value of Support: 1M USD/yr for 5 years
Proposals

UNESCO-IHE
Delft, the Netherlands
UNESCO-IHE

Location: Delft, the Netherlands
Chief Proponent: UNESCO-IHE
Host Institution: UNESCO-IHE
Funding Sources: The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Supporting Institutions: City of Delft, Dutch water operators
Total Value of Support: 1M USD/yr for 5 years (conditional)
### Evaluation Criteria

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Recommendation

❖ Accept the City of Barcelona Proposal
  • Meets all basic requirements
  • Exceeds financial requirement by 525,000USD/yr
  • Long-standing donor relationship and HCA in place
  • Clear institutional coordination, ie. political will, less risk
  • Independent Alliance Identity
  • Opportunities for substantive synergies

❖ Pursue Collaboration with Other Candidates
  • UNESCO-IHE partnership for research, tool development and education
  • Dutch Ministry of Foreign affairs support for joint proposals with Dutch operators
  • SUEN with TIKA for WOPs leadership in South East Europe and Central Asia
Thank-you