

SCOPE OF WORK

USAID Wadata Program (Niger)

Title: Consultant for the formulation of a sustainability plan for the Wadata program in Niger

Duration: Up to 50 days LOE to be completed between February 13 - May 19, 2023

BACKGROUND

The project “Wadata”, which translates to "prosperity" in the Hausa language, aims to sustainably improve the food security and resilience of extremely poor and chronically vulnerable households in the Zinder region, through layered interventions targeted at communities, households and individuals. The project is funded by USAID/Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA). It is implemented by a consortium of organizations including Save the Children, NCBA CLUSA, The Kaizen Company, and DEMI-E.

Within this framework, Wadata is implementing an integrated approach based on the specific needs of extremely poor and chronically vulnerable households in the communes of Guidiguir, Damagaram Takaya, Guidimouni, and Mazamni in the Zinder region, through the following components:

- Enhanced collective action to address food, nutrition, and water security shocks and stresses (Purpose 1).
- Strengthened capacity, assets and means to improve access to adequate and diverse food at all times (Purpose 2).
- Improved nutrition, health, hygiene, and sanitation for pregnant and lactating women, adolescents, children under five, and their families (Purpose 3).

In line with the above described, and with the aim of ensuring higher and sustainable impact of project’s components, Wadata is looking at developing a sustainability plan. To do this, Wadata requires the services of a consultant to assist the project team in finalizing the formulation of a sustainability plan and including information on this plan in the formats required by USAID.

PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this Scope of Work (SOW) is to support the Wadata Program by conducting the following tasks:

The consultant will have the following main tasks:

1. **Program’s information review and analysis:** Review program documents, including different implementation reports and background information, to understand the results achieved by the project. Collect information from various documents and studies already developed by Wadata team, and organize information exchange sessions within the project

team to finalize the identification of main achievements to focus on as part of sustainability plan.

2. **Drafting sustainability plan:** Based on information from the Wadata team and support documents available, complete all BHA-required templates for the sustainability phase / design process, including the Sustainability Planning Worksheet, and validate these templates through internal workshops with the Wadata team.
3. **Drafting proposal:** Based on the sustainability plan that will be approved by BHA during a workshop in March 2023 (specific dates: 13-17), support Wadata team in developing the Pipeline and Resource Estimate Proposal (PREP-narrative proposal), as well as the DIP table, budget and budget narrative, for the two-year sustainability period to be submitted to BHA, as well as new staffing in line with the sustainability strategy.
4. **Answers to follow-up questions and feedback:** Provide support to Wadata team in responding to any clarifications after submission of the PREP (response to BHA issue letters)

REQUIRED WORK PROFILE / EXPERIENCE

The consultant sought for this contract should have the following main assets:

- Experience in designing/implementing USAID funded projects required, preferably with Bureau of Humanitarian Assistance/Food For Peace (BHA/FFP) Resilience Food Security Activities.
- Strong capacity to listen to team members and external partners and to identify challenges and solutions in a participatory manner.
- Implementation context knowledge in the Sahel and ability to travel and stay for 3 to 4 weeks in Niger between the 15th February and 10th March 2023, and return to Niger later in April, if needed.
- Immediate availability.
- Have at least a Bachelor's degree, preferably a Master's degree, in a field related to international development, agriculture, food security, health, nutrition, planning, or sustainability.
- Have at least 8 years of experience in project design and/or reformulation, preferably including USAID/BHA/FFP projects.
- Proven command of written/spoken English and fluent French, additional local language capacity preferred.

DELIVERABLES AND DUE DATES

The consultant will complete the following deliverables during this assignment to meet the above noted purpose and objectives:

| Description of Deliverable | Format | Language | Due Date |
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| <p>#1. Review project documents, different program and project implementation reports to understand the results achieved by the project, analysis of various documents and studies already developed by Wadata team and organize exchanges within the project team to finalize the identification of main achievements for sustainability strategy.</p> | Electronic | English and French | February 24, 2023 |
| <p>#2. Based on communication from the Wadata team and available documentation, complete all BHA-required information in the relevant form (Sustainability Planning Worksheet) for the sustainability phase designing process, and validate these forms and information through internal work sessions with the Wadata team</p> | Electronic | English and French | March 7, 2023 |
| <p>#3. Based on the sustainability plan that will be approved by BHA during a workshop in March 2023 (specific dates: 13-17), support Wadata team in developing the Pipeline and Resource Estimate Proposal (PREP-narrative proposal), as well as the DIP table, budget and budget narrative, for the two-year sustainability period to be submitted to BHA, as well as a new staffing in line with the sustainability strategy.</p> | Electronic | English and French | April 21, 2023 |

| Description of Deliverable | Format | Language | Due Date |
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| #4. Provide support to Wadata team in responding to any clarifications after submission of the PREP (i.e., response to BHA letters). | Electronic | English | May 19, 2023 |

LEVEL OF EFFORT

The consultant will carry out the assigned tasks with the estimated level of effort noted here:

| Deliverable number | Total LOE |
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| Deliverable 1 | 10 |
| Deliverable 2 | 10 |
| Deliverable 3 | 25 |
| Deliverable 4 | 5 |
| Total | 50 |

SCHEDULE

The assignment will be completed between February 13 - May 19, 2023.

TECHNICAL COORDINATION

Alain Ky-Zerbo, Deputy Chief of Party, Wadata, and Andres Nunez, Senior Program Manager, will coordinate this SOW.

Important NOTE: To be considered, applicants shall send CV to anunez@ncba.coop as soon as possible with the subject line “WADATA Consultancy Sustainability Plan”. CVs will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Qualified individuals will be contacted directly.