



**Danida**

**Research in support of the implementation of the Denmark-South Africa UEM programme 2006-2010**

**CALL FOR PROPOSALS FROM SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE GENERATION OF A REPORT THAT PROVIDES A NATIONAL AUDIT AND ANALYSIS, OF POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND RELEVANT LEGISLATION THAT AFFECTS MUNICIPAL UEM KNOWLEDGE, FOR DISSEMINATION TO NATIONAL, PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL SPHERES OF GOVERNMENT**

### **Background**

Denmark is providing support to the Government of South Africa in a programme aimed at enhancing existing capacity in Urban Environmental Management. The overall objective of the programme is: 'Sustainable and poverty-oriented environmental management of urban areas in South Africa'. The thematic focus of the programme support covers, inter alia, integration of environmental planning into broader planning processes, including IDPs and other plans; environmental health considering clarification of functions, and improved inspection and enforcement roles at local level; implementation of the Waste Management act at national and municipal level; implementation of the Air Quality Management act, in particular the new mandates for provincial and local government; support to implementation of sustainable energy interventions at local level; etc.

National and provincial administrations with co-ordination and oversight responsibilities are receiving support from the programme so as to assist in the development of institutional frameworks, guidelines and procedures that will become the standard for all municipalities. The South African government have selected five environmental hotspot municipalities for support from the programme in enhancing capacity for delivery and to serve as pilots in the development of various national norms and standards – Cape town, eThekweni, Ekurhuleni, Johannesburg and Sedibeng. A contingency has been reserved for other municipal areas to join the programme in the future.

The programme priorities poverty reduction and building institutional capacity for enhanced local-level delivery of environmentally sustainable services.

**The Denmark-South Africa UEM programme has a research fund of DKK 6 million (currently R7.2 million) over the five-year programme for research that can:**

- a) Support the implementation of projects and activities under the programme;
- b) Provide the empirical motivation for future projects and activities that can be funded in future years of the programme;
- c) Monitor impacts of projects and activities under the programme; and
- d) Raise awareness of future urban environmental management challenges that may require strategic or policy responses from the implementation partners in the programme.

In this regard Danida and the SACN are calling for proposals from service providers for the generation of a report that provides

i) a national audit, and ii) an analysis, of a) the powers and functions, and b) relevant legislation, that affects municipal UEM. The report is for all the UEM programme partners, as discussed above.

### **Scope of work**

We anticipate that this report will take the form of a fixed and specified contract for the production of the aforementioned audit and analysis. It is expected that the report will include at least the following actions and deliverables:

- An initial review and listing of relevant websites, internet-based networks, periodical publications, and key reference works.
- An audit of powers and functions and corresponding relevant legislation in order to identify fragmentation, duplication and gaps in the assignment of functions and services.
- A status quo and analysis of relevant new reference works from around the world including research and academic papers, and print and electronic media reports. These updates should take the form of a summary of content and findings and include analysis of relevance to SA cities.
- Original and strategic analysis of selected data and information, especially as it impacts on municipal UEM.

### **Expertise Required**

This project requires research experience and a track record of good, accessible writing and editing. An in-depth understanding of sustainable development and urban environmental management must be demonstrated, and previous exposure to the three spheres of government is essential.

Please provide Danida and the SACN with a copies of relevant CVs or corporate profiles (including company BEE credentials in terms of ownership and employee profile) as part of your proposal.

### **Estimated Budget**

It is envisaged that the research will cost approximately R100 000-00. Please note that Danida and the SACN will be evaluating your proposal, inter alia, on a comparative basis. To allow us to compare the proposal with other similar bids, please present your quote in the following format.

<b>TASK</b>	<b>RATE AND TIME DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
1. Initial scan and listing of UEM research and knowledge sources		
2. Audit		
3. Analysis		
4. Report writing		
5. Presentation of report		
TOTAL		

**Note:**

Prices should include VAT. It is envisaged that the research will take the form of a desktop review and require minimal travel.

### **Research selection and management process**

In order to identify and procure the research outputs that are required the following procedural principles should be applied:

- a) The Danish Embassy will administer the research fund;
- b) The Danish Embassy will contract directly with researchers;
- c) The Danish Embassy will collaborate with programme partners on the terms of reference for all research outputs

### **Commencement of Work**

It is envisage that work under this contract will commence during January 2007, upon signature of a service delivery contract and will run for approximately three months, i.e. to end in April 2007.