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**Procurement Notice/Advertisement
Open International Competition (OIC)**

Country of Destination: Ecuador

Reference Number: RFP *AmazonProject-WaterChallenge*

Description: *Develop innovative water solution designs, focusing on addressing regional water resilience challenges with the Youth of the Podocarpus-El C ndor Biosphere Reserve*

Deadline for Submission of Sealed Tenders: 10 January 2025 7:00 pm CET (Paris time)

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United Nations Educational, Science and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) hereby invite qualified companies to develop innovative water solution designs, focusing on addressing regional water resilience challenges with the Youth of the Podocarpus – El C ndor Biosphere Reserve in Ecuador within the implementation of the UNESCO-MAB Amazon project. The Challenge Water Challenge 2025 aims to find solutions to local issues raised by the youth of Podocarpus – El C ndor Biosphere Reserve through their engagement into workshops, mentoring sessions with local and foreign professors and/or experts, and peer-to-peer knowledge exchanges, culminating in the participation of winning teams in a second phase of implementation of the winning activity(ies). The Contractor will be responsible for organizing and executing this initiative, ensuring its successful delivery through all its phases. The contractor will also be responsible for preparing regular progress reports, documenting the results of the challenge, and facilitating the implementation phase of the winning projects. Activities will include program design, participant selection, organizing workshops, facilitating mentoring sessions, coordinating peer-to-peer exchanges, and ensuring communication and visibility of the project through media and social platforms. The profile of consultants required includes experts in project management, water resilience, youth engagement, community capacity building, and environmental science. The challenge is expected to run from February to July 2025.

The purpose of this notice is to provide general information on the requirements for the procurement process and to inform interested suppliers how to obtain a copy of the Solicitation Documents.

Interested companies who wish to participate in the OIC must request for a complete set of Solicitation Documents, available free of charge, from UNESCO contact person at the address shown below.

The electronic offer, comprising a technical and financial proposal sent in separate emails must be sent to sc.procurement@unesco.org no later than **10 January 2025 7:00 pm CET (Paris time)**, in strict compliance with the instructions as stipulated in the Solicitation Documents.

UNESCO reserves the right to amend the documents at any time during the solicitation process. Any amendments or clarifications will be communicated directly to all Bidders who have requested for a complete set of solicitation documents and

officially confirmed their intention to submit a sealed tender. No remuneration will be made to companies for preparation and submission of their tenders.

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