

## Summary of key information from UNICEF briefing call

**UNICEF tender details:** UNICEF LRPS-2025-9196021: Situation analysis on Early Childhood Development in Thailand

**UNGM tender reference number:** 9196021

**Location:** Virtual briefing call

**Date and time of the call:** 20 March 2025, 14.00-15.00 Bangkok time

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### Key takeaway:

- The bidders must login to UNGM platform to download TOR and its annexes.
- **Deadline for proposal submission via UNGM platform is 4 April 2025, 10.00hrs Bangkok time. Only proposal submission via UNGM platform is accepted.**
- In case any of bidders **need further clarification**, please submit your queries to Tongchanok Sonsawangphol at [tsonsawangphol@unicef.org](mailto:tsonsawangphol@unicef.org) with copy to [THL-ML-BKKSUPPLY@unicef.org](mailto:THL-ML-BKKSUPPLY@unicef.org) **no later than 27 March 2025 at 15:00 PM Bangkok time** - so that all queries could be clarified and circulated to all bidders before the deadline.
- All cost should be factored in financial offer, bidders are welcome to propose any elements, which could be an added value to this assignment.

### Key ask:

No.	Question	Response
1	Bidders require extra time for approval from Institutional Review Board (IRB) from own institution. Can the timeline of deliverables be flexible?	In general, bidders can propose the timeline of deliverables which is realistically possible for submitted proposal. Timelines of deliverables in TOR is an estimation from UNICEF's point of view at UNICEF's best scenario. If the IRB takes time, bidders may propose the sequence of activities in a way that would work best to deliver the results as per TOR.
2	Can the research team members are from any institutions outside Thailand?	This is possible. The research team can consist of international members from non-Thai institution. However, the contract will be awarded to an institution. Payment will be made directly to the institution. Payment cannot be processed to individual contractors/ team members.
3	In case of contract award, is it possible for the award contractor make use of the work under this contract for academic publication?	Per UNICEF's Terms and Conditions, the deliverables are UNICEF's property. The contractor is not able to claim or take ownership of those contract materials. The contractor is not able to make use of all contract materials, UNICEF's name, emblem or seal of UNICEF for non-

		commercial, commercial or promotional purposes, without UNICEF's approval. An official request letter shall be submitted to UNICEF for approval.
4	How far back should the situation analysis look at the data?	The situation analysis should mainly explore the current state of the ECD situation in Thailand. The researchers can look back around 5 years to inform on the trend. UNICEF often refer to MICS as the main source for national level data on children. The last 2 MICS was conducted in 2022 and 2019. The 2019 ECD Act can also be viewed as the starting point for several issues related to ECD governance and coordination. However, some issue may benefit from data from longer period, e.g. birthrate.
5	Should the cost cover the travel cost for UNICEF/ Office of the Education Council (OEC) in the financial proposal?	Not necessary. Bidders may factor travel cost only for own team members.
6	Does the financial proposal need to cover the cost of the workshop arrangement such as coffee break, venue, etc.?	Bidders may include only the cost for the research team, such as professional fee for workshop facilitation. It is not required to include the cost for meeting venue and meeting package in the financial proposal. UNICEF and OEC will facilitate this arrangement.
7	Re-emerging issues, should the bidder propose the list of emerging issue in the proposal?	Not necessary. This can be discussed during the inception phase.