



UNITED NATIONS PROCUREMENT DIVISION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

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Title of the EOI:

Provision of High Risk Labor (HRL) in Support of UNMAS Global Operations

Date of this EOI: 16 June 2026**Closing Date for Receipt of EOI:** 31 July 2026**EOI Number:** EOIUNPD24497**Beneficiary Country/Territory:** Global**Commodity/Service category:** Security Services**Address EOI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of:** Ignacio Inestal-Fernandez**Fax Number:****E-mail Address:** ignacio.inestalfernandez@un.org**UNSPSC Code:**

81102800 - Minefield and demining services

80111600 - Temporary personnel services



DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

The United Nations Procurement Division (UNPD), on behalf of the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS), is currently seeking expressions of interest from qualified vendors for the provision of personnel for high-risk environments related to mine action, explosive ordnance disposal and explosive ordnance risk mitigations operations listed below.

The contract, with an expected duration of three (3) years plus two (2) optional extension periods of one (1) year each, may include, but is not limited to, provision of high-risk labor (HRL) to locations such as South Sudan, Syria, Abyei, Central African Republic, Libya, Lebanon, Western Sahara, Democratic Republic of Congo, Somalia, Iraq, Afghanistan, and Ethiopia.

This initiative also aims to inform interested parties about the forthcoming formal procurement process, known as the Request for Proposals (RFP), for the provision of these services.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

The scope of work for Technical Mine Action (MA) & EO Threat Mitigation Personnel may include, but is not limited to, the following profiles:

-Mine Action Operations/Quality Assurance Personnel: The MA OPS/QA personnel ensures the effective implementation of mine clearance activities by overseeing operational planning, safety compliance, technical standards adherence, and quality assurance to safeguard personnel and maximize the impact of demining efforts. Some certifications depending on the role may be: IMAS EOD Level 2, 3, 3+, IEDD, Mine Detection Dog and Mechanical Demining Machines)

-Explosive Ordnance Disposal Specialists/Mentors: The EOD Specialist is responsible for the safe identification, clearance, and disposal of explosive hazards, ensuring operational safety, risk mitigation, and compliance with technical standards in mine action and security operations. (IMAS EOD Level 2, 3, or 3+ depending on the requirements)

-Ammunition Technical Officers (ATO Certification): The ATO is responsible for the safe storage, inspection, maintenance, and disposal of ammunition and explosives, ensuring compliance with technical regulations and operational safety standards. In most circumstances the ATO deploys in support of a Weapons and Ammunition Management project, working closely with Troop Contributing Country (TCC) personnel, or national counterparts.

-Improvise Explosive Device Disposal Specialists/Mentors (IEDD Certification): The IEDD Specialist is responsible for detecting, analyzing, and neutralizing IED threats, ensuring operational safety, mitigating risks, and developing counter-IED strategies in high-threat environments. In most UN contexts this specialist works in support of TCC personnel or national counterparts.

-High Risk Search Specialist: The HRS specialist is responsible for advising and instructing personnel in advanced search techniques for detecting explosive threats, ensuring operational readiness, safety, and compliance with counter-IED and mine action protocols. An HRS Certification may be required.

-Dual Sensor Detector Trainers: The DS Detector Trainer is responsible for instructing personnel in the effective use of advanced detection technologies, combining ground-penetrating radar and metal detection to enhance mine clearance operations and ensure operational safety.



-Electronic Counter Measure Technicians: The ECM Technician is responsible for deploying, maintaining, and calibrating electronic systems designed to detect, disrupt, and neutralize remote-controlled explosive threats, ensuring operational security and force protection in high-risk environments.

-Remote Operating Vehicle Technicians (Subject specific certification): The ROV Technician is responsible for maintaining, operating, and troubleshooting remotely controlled robotic systems used for explosive ordnance disposal, surveillance, and hazardous environment operations to ensure mission effectiveness and safety.

-Explosive Ordnance Risk Education Specialists: The EORE Specialist is responsible for designing and delivering awareness programs that educate communities on the dangers of explosive hazards, promoting safe behaviors and reducing risks in conflict-affected areas.

-Construction Engineers (Civil Engineer Degree): The Construction Engineer is responsible for planning, designing, and overseeing infrastructure projects, ensuring structural integrity, safety compliance, and efficient execution in both civilian and high-risk operational environments. This work will in many cases be in support of Weapons and Ammunition Management (WAM) activities in the construction of ammunition storage areas (ASA's).

-Safety and Security Advisors: The Safety and Security Advisor is responsible for assessing risks, developing security protocols, and ensuring the safety of personnel and operations in high-risk environments through threat analysis, crisis management, and strategic planning.

-Monitoring and Evaluation Officer: The M&E Officer is responsible for assessing project performance, measuring impact, and ensuring compliance with objectives by collecting data, conducting analysis, and providing strategic insights for informed decision-making.

Support Services Personnel

-Logistics Specialists: The Logistics Specialist is responsible for coordinating procurement, transportation, inventory management, and supply chain operations to ensure efficient resource allocation and timely delivery in humanitarian, development, or operational settings.

-Drivers: The Driver is responsible for safely transporting personnel, equipment, and supplies, ensuring efficient logistical support, vehicle maintenance, and compliance with security protocols in operational environments.

-Mechanics (Diesel and/or Gasoline Certification depending on requirements): The Mechanic is responsible for inspecting, maintaining, and repairing vehicles and machinery, ensuring operational efficiency, safety, and reliability in various settings, including humanitarian and field operations.¹ Interested and suitable vendors are encouraged to express their interest in participating in this procurement activity by submitting the electronic Vendor Response Form as instructed below.

Additional Information

1. Interested and suitable vendors are encouraged to express their interest in participating in this procurement activity by submitting the electronic Vendor Response Form as instructed below.

2. Under the long-term agreement framework, the selected Contractor(s) will receive a specific Terms of Reference (ToR) for each assignment, outlining the required qualifications and experience, along with any role-specific certifications. These project-specific ToRs will also include details such as duty station, estimated duration of the assignment, and other relevant information.



3. The UN anticipates deployments to last between 1 and 12 months, and in exceptional cases may be extended based on needs.
4. Vendors must be registered with the UN Global Marketplace (UNGM) at the appropriate level before responding to this EOI. For more information on registration, please visit UNPD's website: [UN Vendor Registration](<https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors/vendor-registration-0>).
5. The procurement exercise will be conducted in accordance with the UN Procurement Manual. Vendors should review the UN General Conditions of Contract for goods and services at the following website: [UN General Conditions](<https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/about-us/conditions-contract>).
6. Correspondence regarding this EOI may be sent to the focal point at: ignacio.inestalfernandez@un.org
7. A previous version of this REOI was issued in 2025 (REOIUNPD22955). Due to competing priorities, the launch of the RFP was postponed to 2026. Accordingly, this REOI is being reissued to announce the forthcoming RFP and to identify additional interested participants in light of updated market conditions. If you have already expressed your interest through the previous REOI, your submission has been recorded. However, you are welcome to reconfirm your interest by responding to this REOI.

NOTE

Information on tendering for the UN Procurement System is **available free of charge** at the following address: <https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice>

Only the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) has been authorised to collect a nominal fee from vendors that wish to receive automatically Procurement Notices or Requests for Expression Of Interest. Vendors interested in this Tender Alert Service are invited to subscribe on <http://www.ungm.org>

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should submit the Vendor Response Form of this EOI electronically (through the link available on the next page) before the closing date set forth above.



VENDOR RESPONSE

NOTICE

- Companies can only participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat after completing their registration (free of charge) at the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org).
- As you express interest in the planned solicitation by submitting this response form, please verify that your company is registered under its **full legal** name on the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org) and that your application has been submitted to the **UN Secretariat**.
- While companies can participate in solicitations after completion of registration at Basic Level, we strongly recommend all companies to register at least at **Level 1** under the United Nations Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.
- Companies are reminded of the restrictions of employment of former UN personnel that were involved in the procurement process during their last three years of service as per ST/SGB/2006/15, including (a) employing those personnel for one year after separation of service and (b) allowing those personnel to communicate with, or appear before, active UN personnel for matters related to the procurement process for two years after separation of service. Violation of the provisions of ST/SGB/2006/15 may lead to suspension of the registration of the company as a UN vendor.

PLEASE NOTE: You should express your interest to this EOI electronically at:

<https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice/304360>

In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact ignacio.inestalfernandez@un.org directly for instructions.



EOI INSTRUCTIONS

1) Registering as a Vendor with the United Nations

Vendors interested in fulfilling the requirement described above must be registered at the UN Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org) with the UN Secretariat in order to be eligible to participate in any solicitation. Information on the registration process can be found at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors>.

Prerequisites for Eligibility

In order to be eligible for UN registration, you must declare that:

- A. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not listed in, or associated with a company or individual listed in:
 - I. the Compendium of United Nations Security Council Sanctions Lists (<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/un-sc-consolidated-list>), or
 - II. the IIC Oil for Food List website or, if listed on either, this has been disclosed to the United Nations Procurement Division in writing.
- B. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not currently removed or suspended by the United Nations or any other UN organisation (including the World Bank);
- C. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not under formal investigation, nor have been sanctioned within the preceding three (3) years, by any national authority of a United Nations Member State for engaging or having engaged in proscribed practices, including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice;
- D. Your company has not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against your company that could impair your company's operations in the foreseeable future;
- E. Your company does not employ, or anticipate employing, any person(s) who is, or has been a UN staff member within the last year, if said UN staff member has or had prior professional dealings with the Vendor in his/her capacity as UN staff member within the last three years of service with the UN (in accordance with UN post-employment restrictions published in ST/SGB/2006/15).
- F. Your company undertakes not to engage in proscribed practices (including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice), with the UN or any other party, and to conduct business in a manner that averts any financial, operational, reputational or other undue risk to the UN.

For Registered Vendors: Vendors already registered at the UN Global Marketplace with the UN Secretariat must ensure that the information and documentation (e.g. financial statements, address, contact name, etc.) provided in connection with their registration are up to date in UNGM. Please verify and ensure that your company is registered under its full legal name.

For Vendors Interested in Registration: Vendors not yet registered should apply for registration on the United Nations Global Marketplace (<http://www.ungm.org>); information on the registration process can be found at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors>. Vendors must complete the registration process prior to the closing date of the REOI. Vendors who have not completed the UNGM registration process with the UN Secretariat before the closing date of the REOI are not considered eligible to participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat. We strongly recommend all companies to register at least at Level 1 under the UN Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Any false, incomplete or defective vendor registration may result in the rejection of the application or cancellation of an already existing registration.

2) EOI Process

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should forward their expression of interest (EOI) to UNITED NATIONS PROCUREMENT DIVISION (UNPD) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. *Due to the high volume of communications UNPD is not in a position to issue confirmation of receipt of EOIs.*

Please note that no further details of the planned solicitation can be made available to the vendors prior to issuance of the solicitation documents.

This EOI is issued subject to the conditions contained in the EOI introductory page available at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/eoi>.

