Request for Quotation (RFQ)

RFQ No: C-102

Writing and Editing Services for Seed Global Health

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July 5, 2024

Submission Deadline
Submission of quotation: July 19, 2024

Organization Summary
Seed Global Health (Seed) is a nonprofit organization working out of the United States, Malawi, Sierra Leone, Uganda, and Zambia. Seed envisions a world in which every country is strengthened by a robust health workforce able to best meet the needs of its population. Seed’s mission is to educate a rising generation of health professionals to strengthen access to quality health care with the goal of improving health outcomes and saving lives. Seed is unique in its approach by focusing on the education and training of doctors, nurses, and midwives. By training health care professionals and health educators, Seed seeks to empower current and future generations of health providers so that good health is not the privilege of a few, but the right of all.

Seed focuses on strengthening the education, practice, and policy of the local professional health workforce in Africa. Seed’s core strategy and primary entry point centers on placing skilled and qualified educators at partner institutions for a minimum of one academic year. Seed also supports educators and partner institutions through a diverse and complementary package of services aimed at advancing health professional education in the classroom and clinical setting. By investing in long-term partnerships for improved health professional education, Seed helps to create a stronger, more sustainable health systems that are locally led and better able to meet local health needs.

For more information, please visit www.seedglobalhealth.org
Summary of Required Services

Seed Global Health (herein referred to as “Seed”) is soliciting quotations from firms/companies/individuals for writing and editing services. Seed will award preferred agreements and/or purchase orders as a result of this solicitation. Seed does not guarantee any specific quantities or amounts during the course of the agreement period.

Core Services

Seed Global Health is seeking services from creative and dynamic writing and editing vendors with the objective of enhancing the effectiveness and reach of Seed’s communications to global audiences through clear and compelling written communications.

Seed Global Health has a comprehensive brand identity guide, which includes guidelines for the Seed brand and messaging. Seed Global Health will provide the brand identity guidelines to all preferred vendors.

Examples of Seed’s typical writing and editing needs include:

- Reports
- Case studies
- Success stories
- Website copy
- Website news items
- Op-eds
- Talking points for executive leadership
- Key messages
- Speeches
- Brochure, flyer, one- or two-pagers
- Social media posts
- Presentations in PowerPoint
- Conference posters
- Newsletter content
- Proposals

Core Capabilities

Seed is interested in partnering with writing and editing vendors with the following core capabilities:

- Exceptional writing skills
- Impeccable use of grammar, punctuation, and spelling
- Strong attention to detail
- Ability to meet tight deadlines
- Creative and strategic-thinking skills
• Proven experience as a content writer or copywriter
• Ability to collaborate with other writers and receive and give feedback
• Compelling writing style, voice, and tone
• Portfolio of relevant writing samples
• Experience writing for global health organizations, researchers, donors, etc.
• Willingness to learn and become familiar with Seed’s brand identity and messaging to provide written products that are consistent with Seed’s brand.
• Willingness to be a thought partner with Seed on how to elevate our brand with clear, compelling, concise, and tightly-messaged digital and print products.
• Experience supporting organizations that use Mailchimp, Canva, Adobe Creative Suite, WordPress, and MS Office Suite is a plus.

This RFQ requires the following materials from interested firms/companies. All submitted materials should be responsive to the service specifications as outlined in the core services and capabilities section of this RFQ.

1. Capacity statement (including description of expertise, skills, and services offered; deliverable production practices and preferences; experience with similar organizations)
   Please also submit a writing portfolio link or 3-5 examples of relevant past work.
2. Past performance list, including two recent client references and contact information.
   Please include NGO and/or global health clients if possible.
3. Detailed pricing breakdown, including hourly rate for services.
4. Indication of guaranteed rate period (time frame for “locked in” rate).
5. Indication of whether you or your firm/company can engage Seed on an invoicing basis, with payment terms of net 30 days.

Quotation Submission

Please submit your responses and quotations to hr@seedglobalhealth.org before the requisite deadline.