

**FAQs - INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OF THE SIDA FUNDED SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA
ENERGY ACCESS PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTED BY AECF**

1. Confirm that Sida-funded sub-Saharan Africa energy access programme implemented by AECFs require experience and understanding of the refugee context and the Islamic banking/finance practices? **No, this is not necessary**
2. Could you please confirm if all of the technologies (e.g. solar home systems, minigrids, clean cooking, PUE) and countries (e.g. Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Somalia) where REACT SSA has made investments will be in-scope for this evaluation, or whether you want the consultant to focus on specific parts of the portfolio? **The consultant is expected to select a sample of technologies and countries. Please note that the consultant is not expected to conduct direct engagement with beneficiaries of these technologies in the field.**
3. Will the end-term evaluation focus on all of the OECD DAC criteria, or is the intention to focus more on effectiveness and impact? To what extent will efficiency/value for money be a key consideration? **The main objective is to assess the overall performance, effectiveness and the impact of the programme while identifying key lessons and best practice to inform future programming. While effectiveness and impact will be a primary focus, the consultant is expected to propose an appropriate methodology and select OECD DA criteria that best brings out these aspects.**
4. The technical quality of the proposal will be given a weighting of 80%, which implies that the remaining 20% depend on the financial proposal? If so, how much detail does AECF require on budget at the EOI stage? **A financial proposal is not required at this stage.**
5. The EOI asks for evidence of previous relevant projects, with examples of contracts or purchase orders. We are not comfortable sharing client contracts as these are confidential, but can share contract values, dates, etc alongside client references. Could you please confirm if this is satisfactory for the purposes of this EOI? **This is acceptable. Also, kindly include signed reference letters/certificates of assignment completed**