







Call for Proposal

Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant

1. Project Name

Technical Assistance to Strengthen Competition Law Enforcement in ASEAN - Phase 3

2. Background

A mid-term review exercise of the ASEAN Competition Action Plan (ACAP) 2025 was recently conducted to take stock of the progress and achievements of the implementation of the ACAP, five years since its inception. From the exercise, an updated five-year implementation schedule containing deliverables to be implemented by the ASEAN Experts Group on Competition (AEGC) was developed.

The Technical Assistance to Strengthen Competition Law Enforcement in ASEAN-Phase 3 Project (AJCEP Phase 3) will continue to support the implementation of ACAP 2025, in particular the following deliverables:

- ☐ Conduct an interface workshop between the competition and health sector regulators;
- ☐ Reviewing ASEAN's peer review guidance document; and
- ☐ Undertaking a voluntary peer review of Thailand's competition regime

The AJCEP Phase 3 project will assist ASEAN member states (AMS) in understanding the efficacy of their competition regime, determining how to move forward to enhance competition enforcement within their respective jurisdictions, and reviewing the ASEAN Peer Review Guidance Document by considering the recommendations and challenges from the Peer Review Pilot Exercise, and recent competition policy and law developments at the regional and international level. A peer review exercise of the Thailand Competition Regime will then be undertaken using the updated ASEAN Peer Review Guidance Document. Moreover, this project also supports the achievement of the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) Blueprint and the implementation of the ASEAN Competition Action Plan (ACAP) 2025 in order to assess the effectiveness of the AMS in competition policy and law.

This project received funding from the government of Japan through the ASEAN secretariat, with the Trade Competition Commission of Thailand (TCCT) as the proponent and the International Institute for Trade and Development (public organization) (ITD) as the implementing agency, in cooperation with the proponent, the ASEAN Experts Group on Competition (AEGC), the Japan Fair Trade Commission (JFTC), and the ASEAN Secretariat.

On this occasion, the ITD as an implementing agency for this project, extends an invitation to an interested consultant to submit a proposal, cover letter, and CV (in English) to serve as a Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant in the AJCEP Phase 3 project. This proposal will be considered and selected by the TCCT, the JFTC, AEGC, and ASEAN secretariat.

3. Objective

The main objective of this proposal is to recruit a monitoring and evaluation (M&E) consultant, either an institutional or a team of consultants, to ensure the effective assessment of the ASEAN competition regimes, particularly focusing on the activities outlined in the project scope. The M&E consultants will play a pivotal role in evaluating the delivery of key outputs, which are the Interface Workshop with the health sector regulators, the updated ASEAN Peer Review Guidance Document, and the Peer Review Exercise of Thailand.

4. Scope of work

The Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) consultants is an institutional or a team of consultants which will conduct M&E on the delivery of the following outputs of the Project:

- a. Interface Workshop with the Health Regulators;
- b. Updated ASEAN Peer Review Guidance Document;
- c. Peer Review Exercise of Thailand.

The M&E consultants play a key role in facilitating the input of project staff, partners, and other stakeholders in project design and measurement activities.

The Monitoring and Evaluation Consultants are responsible for the following tasks:

- ☐ Formulate the indicators to measure each activity's success, which will be used for the evaluation survey. The list of indicators will be developed into the "M&E Framework Matrix".
- Develop and circulate the questionnaire based on the indicators after the completion of each activity.
- Aggregate the responses of the evaluation surveys and report the results to the proponent. The proponent will send its staff to the interface workshop to monitor these activities.
- Report the result of each activity evaluation in the Activity Reports of each Activity by analyzing how those indicators contribute to the objective/output of the project.

5. Report

The timing of delivery is indicative and can be adjusted subject to mutual agreement.

No.	Reports	Target Delivery Date
1.	Questionnaire interface workshop between the Competition and Health Sector Regulators	Draft: 2 weeks before the activity day Final: 2 weeks after the activity day
2.	M&E Interface Workshop completion report	2 weeks after the activity day

No.	Reports	Target Delivery Date
3.	Questionnaire on the development of an Updated ASEAN Peer Review Guidance Document	Draft: 2 weeks before the activity reporting day
		Final: 2 weeks after the activity reporting day
4.	M&E an Updated ASEAN Peer Review Guidance Document completion report	2 weeks after the activity reporting day
5.	Questionnaire on the Peer Review Exercise of Thailand	Draft: 2 weeks before activity reporting day
		Final: 2 weeks after the activity reporting day
6.	M&E on the Peer Review Exercise of Thailand completion report	2 weeks after the activity reporting day

6. Expected Outputs

The outputs of this project include the following:

- ☐ Monitoring and Evaluation questionnaire survey
- ☐ Monitoring and Evaluation completion report

7. Qualifications / Special Skills or Knowledge

The bidder/bidding team should demonstrate:

- ☐ At least 5 years of professional experience in international development cooperation, working with international, bilateral, and multilateral donor organizations.
- At least 3 years of experience in monitoring and evaluation including reporting to donors.
- ☐ Good knowledge of competition policy and law in ASEAN;
- ☐ Previous involvement in the development and implementation of training programs on competition policy and law, preferably in ASEAN, is an advantage; and
- ☐ Excellent written and verbal English skills both written and verbal.

A thorough understanding of ASEAN, ASEC, and JAIF/AJCEP procedures will be considered of added value.

8. Consultancy Fee

USD 9,707.00 to be paid in tranches based on the achievements of the following milestones:

- ☐ Completion of M&E Report on the Development of an Updated ASEAN Peer Review Guidance Document: USD 3,997.00
- ☐ Completion of M&E Report on the Interface Workshop between the Competition and Health Sector Regulators: USD 1,713.00
- ☐ Completion of M&E Report on the Peer Review Exercise of Thailand: USD 3,997.00

Reports are considered completed following the confirmation of the AEGC. Prior to its completion, the AEGC and ASEAN Secretariat may request revisions to the consultant(s).

Please note that this consulting fee is for institutional consultants. However, the consultancy fee rate is different for individual consultants. In case the Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant is a Thai national, the consultancy fee will be paid in Thai baht, based on the currency exchange rate as of the date after the report is approved.

9. Submission of Application

Interested consultants are invited to submit a cover letter, proposal, and CV(s) with "M&E Consultant" as the subject via email to international@tcct.or.th and vatcharit@itd.or.th with copy to competitionandconsumerprotection@asean.org no later than 26 July 2024 at 05:00 PM (UTC+7).

(Please note that the ITD as the IA will facilitate the tendering process and the selection process will be led by the proponent (TCCT), JFTC, AEGC, and ASEAN secretariat)

10. Contact Information

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