United Nations Development Programme



Substantive Project and Budget Revision

Country: Saudi Arabia

Project Title : <u>SAU10-110186: Advisory Services to the General Authority for Survey and</u> <u>Geospatial Information (GASGI)</u>

UNDAF Outcome(s): N/A

Expected CP Outcome(s): Priority Objective 7: Economic diversification; and national objective 8: Knowledge-based economy.

Expected CP Outcomes: Economic diversification; and Knowledge-based economy.

Expected Outputs: Policies to enhance the social effectiveness and efficiency of services sectors.

Implementing Partner: The General Authority for Survey and Geospatial Information

Brief Justification

This revision intends to add one output to enhance the quality of the geospatial services and products. The project is also extended until 31 December 2021 to finalize pending activities of the previous phase. These activities include sustaining provision of advisory services towards achievement of financial sustainability and contribution to the national economy; and promoting advocacy for a wider visibility of GASGI.

Programme Period (CPD): 2017-2021

Key Result Area (Strategic Plan):

Atlas Award ID: 00089732

Start date: 1 May 2018

End Date: 31 December 2021 Management Arrangements: NIM

2021 AWP budget:	<u>US\$1,600,000</u>			
Previous Budget	US\$1,333,333			
Total allocated resources:	<u>US\$ 2,933,333</u>			
• Regular				
• Other:				
• Government	<u>US\$2,933,333</u>			
Unfunded budget:	0.00			
Budget increase: US\$1,600,000				
General Management Service (GMS): 3%				
Direct Project Cost (DPC): 4%				

Agreed by (GASGI):

H. E. Mr. Bandar Ibn Saleh Al-Mussalamani, President, the General Authority for Survey and Geospatial Information Agreed by UNDP: 30.3-202 Mr. Adam Bouloukos **UNDP** Resident Representative

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EXPECTED OUTPUTS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES	YI	Y2	Party	Funding	Budget	Amount
		2020	2021		Source	Description	
Output 1: Geospatial data center	1.1 Designing models of data simulation developed	50%	50%	GASGI			350,000.00
established and operational	1.2 Simulating geospatial data sets	40%	60%	GASGI			375,000.00
	1.3 Technical preparation for the implementation of the National Geodetic Reference Frame	50%	50%	GASGI			
Output 2: Capacities developed for efficient delivery of survey services	2.1 Comprehensive training package formulated on survey specialties: law of the sea; land survey; geodetic survey; topographic survey ² and Cadastral survey	100%		DOALOS / GASGI			80,877.00
	2.2 Organizing six workshops on marketing of geospatial data among the public and private sectors' institutions	70%	30%	GASGI / UNDP			968,033.00
	2.3 Organizing four training workshops conducted on1) land survey; 2) geodetic survey; 3) topographic survey and 4) Cadastral survey	50%	50%	GASGI / UNDP			155,000.00
	2.4 Capacity building and awareness initiatives for using the National Geodetic Reference Frame	60%	40%	GASGI			
Output 3: Quality of the geospatial services and products improved and promoted Baseline:	3.1 Conduct a study to scope the geospatial market size and the feasibility of geospatial products and services		100%	GASGI			52,710.00
The Commission's mandate has been recently	3.2 Formulate a marketing strategy		100%	GASGI			32,436.00
modified to focus more on geospatial dimension instead of only on National	3.3 Develop annual plans for implementation of the marketing strategy		100%	GASGI			52,710.00
Geodetic Reference Frame Target:	3.3 Create plan for transforming GASGI as per the new mandate		100%	GASGI			52,710.00
National market of geospatial data fully scoped by 2021	3.4 Conduct sector-related studies for implementation of the marketing strategy		100%	GASGI			85,353.00
A notional marketing strategy is in alone along	3.5 Design a plan for investment attraction		100%	GASGI			32,436.00
with sector-based studies	3.6 Participate in international events of relevance to excellence in geospatial performance		100%	GASGI			476,097.00
Monitoring and Evaluation and Audit Fees				UNDP			25,000.00
Subtotal							2,738,362.00
General Management Support (3%)				UNDP			85,437.00
Direct Project Costing (DPC) (4%)				UNDP			109,534.00
TOTAL							2,933,333

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Revised Schedule of Payments

Payments	Amount in US\$	Contributor
Payment received in 2020	1,333,333	Government of Saudi
Payment to be received in March 2021	1,600,000	Arabia
Total	2,933,333	

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Capacity Development

The true and genuine investment of any public or private sector should appropriately be focused on the development of their own workforce through training and qualification. This is due to the effective and huge role of training in developing the capabilities of an organization's personnel and fueling the potential for scoring high levels of performance using advanced techniques and drawing on the abilities of a dynamic work staff capable of using innovative work styles designed to increase productivity. Training and capacity building have a primary role in changing the attitudes of individuals, thanks to the new knowledge and new methods of thinking they would have acquired from the training.

With such new knowledge and experience, a trained individual comes out with a new outlook and a different approach to life and will of course behave himself in a better way. With such improved capabilities and skills, a trained individual would be able to use better concepts and better techniques when faced with special or delicate situations using technical, administrative, mental or behavioral skills or all those skills at the same time.

Since human resources are a key element in improving productivity, training is a constant function for developing and promoting human resources and providing them with modern and sophisticated work techniques with the ultimate goal of improving performance and promoting skills. While the GASGI strives to achieve its pronounced objectives and work activities by using appropriate methods of work performance, it is cognizant that the desired performance levels can only be achieved through a training that must be based on careful planning, flawless implementation and continuous follow up.

Given the great importance attached by the GASGI to the training of both the technical and administrative staff with a view to achieving the best possible results, it is well understood that training can only function as a positive investment if it is carefully directed to match the prescribed goals and objectives and the policies adopted by the GASGI.

The importance of training can be highlighted through the following guidelines:

- 1. Improving the individual's performance as reflected in the increased quantity and improved quality of his production with minimal cost and effort and within the shortest possible time.
- 2. Keeping pace with technological and organizational developments. One feature of technological advancement is the wide-spread use of modern and complicated technological devices putting the GASGI to the new demand of having to train its staff on the use and maintenance of every new generation of those devices.
- 3. Less need for supervision, as a trained employee would be more conscious of the duties and responsibilities of his/her job and may therefore carry out his duties with minimum, or no, supervision or follow up by his supervisors. This, as a result, will make him/her less demanding on their time, thereby allowing them more time to attend to other work. On the other hand, a non-trained worker is typically more demanding on the time of his superiors forcing them to keep a close follow up of his daily work which is counterproductive in the final analysis.
- 4. Improving the services provided by GASGI through the supply of products and services produced and offered by the GASGI which would reflect positively on the promotion of relations between GASGI and its partners.

Achieving stability and sustenance in the workplace as an important element in establishing a good image and good reputation for the GASGI across the community. A well-trained employee will naturally be able to carry out his duties to the satisfaction of the organization and if his efforts are rewarded by a salary increase or other kind incentive he will be encouraged to stay in with more dedication and loyalty to the GASGI.

GASGI shall provide in-kind contribution to DOALOS in terms of office premises, logistics, stationery, and any material necessary for the delivery of the training workshops.

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