



## Digital Frontiers

Request for Proposals (RFP)

No. 2022-03, Modification 1

ProICT: Technical and Policy Advisory Support for ASEAN AI Research Brief  
and Roadmap

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## Synopsis of the RFP

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## Modifications

The following outlines modifications to RFP No. 2022-03, originally issued on January 27, 2022. **All other sections not mentioned here remain unchanged.**

1. [Attachment I, RFP Questions and Answers is added to the list of attachments](#)

### Attachment I: RFP Questions and Answers

1. The scope by itself cuts across AI's governance, economic, and labor components and may entail coordination with the numerous sectoral bodies that have coverage over these community pillars. What is the expectation in relation to coordination / consultations with these sectoral bodies? Will there be a focal point set forth to manage the project from ASEAN's end or from the AMS' end?

The technical points of contact in USAID/DDI/ITR will be able to put the consultant(s) in touch with sectoral experts in USAID headquarters, and the main point of contact at the USAID/ASEAN Mission will be able to arrange communications between the consultant(s) and relevant ASEAN policymakers or other stakeholders (the Mission has already identified a number of key stakeholders for consultation).

2. With the varying levels of 4IR readiness in ASEAN, it will be very likely that most AMS will require support on the infrastructure side, whereas a few will require the roadmap to be more forward-looking. Is there a recommended timeline that consultants can use as temporal bounds for the overall AI Roadmap (e.g., 3-year roadmap vs. 10-year)?

This can be open for discussion based on preliminary research and interviews with stakeholders in the region. Notionally, the roadmap should include action-oriented recommendations about policies that can be put in place in the next several years, with evidence-based justifications about why those policies would be effective in meeting ASEAN's goals in the years after that.

3. Is there room in the scope to look beyond the region to highlight AI policy good practices from around the world?

We would welcome ideas about how AI policies elsewhere could be translated and adapted for the ASEAN region, with justification about why those policies were successful and how they would need to be adapted to ensure success in the ASEAN region.

4. Does Digital Frontiers or DAI have an overall cost estimate or threshold for this TO?

Offerors should prepare their cost proposals based on what they consider to be necessary costs to perform the scope of work described in the RFP and in accordance with the level of effort of 200 days over the period of performance.

5. Is the consultant(s) expected to travel to ASEAN member-states or can they perform these activities remotely?

The consultant is expected to travel for a period of at least 1-2 weeks for up to two deployments (most likely to Jakarta, Indonesia with some provision for in-region travel). Should COVID-19 conditions restrict the possibility of international travel, the consultant(s) may be asked to deliver his/her services via remote internet platforms.