



Amendment No.01

Issuance Date: February 10, 2022

Subject: Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Number 72044022RFA00001

Activity Title: Strengthening Vietnam's Commercial and Investment Alternative Dispute Resolution Ecosystem Activity (Vietnam ADR)

The purpose of Amendment No. 01 to the NOFO Number 72044022RFA00001 is to:

1. Provide responses to the questions received during the questions-answers period, as specified in Attachment 1 of this Amendment.
2. Amend the above-referenced NOFO, originally issued on January 21, 2022, as below:
 - i) Under Section D.7.(c).5. Annexes, revise paragraph 5.1 to read as:
5.1 Annex A – Theory of Change and Illustrative Activity Approach and Timeline (not to exceed 3 pages)
The Applicant must submit a Theory of Change Diagram; the diagram should not exceed one (1) page and must be in PDF format. The Applicant should provide specific timelines for the Year 1 action plan and expected timeframes for key activities in Year 2 and Year 3.
 - ii) Extend the submission deadline for Question Clarifications at page 01 of the original NOFO to read as:
Deadline for Question Clarifications: February 17, 2022.

All other information in the original NOFO remains unchanged and in full effect.

Thank you for your interest in USAID programs.

Sincerely,

s/

Suzanne H. Johnson
Agreement Officer



Attachment 1
QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
NOFO No. 72044022RFA00001 - Vietnam ADR

1. Section A.1 (page 7 of the NOFO) refers to a 2021 USAID “rapid assessment on commercial ADR.” Can USAID please provide a copy of this rapid assessment?

USAID Response: At this time, the rapid assessment of Vietnam’s Commercial ADR ecosystem is USAID’s internal document which has not been published for public use yet. However, its key findings were included in Section A of the NOFO.

2. Section E provides the technical evaluation factors that USAID will use to evaluate the merit of each applicant. Will USAID assign an adjectival rating that reflects how well applicants met the factors described under each of the merit review criteria? If so, can USAID provide those adjectival ratings it will use? If not, does USAID expect to use a numerical (ie. 0-100 scale) to rank proposals against each other?

USAID Response: USAID will assign the following adjectival ratings based on how well the applicants meet the criteria outlined in Section E of the NOFO: Exceptional, Very Good, Satisfactory, Marginal, and Unsatisfactory.

3. Please confirm that the Annex A timeline should provide a timeline of activities for only Year 1 activities.

USAID Response: Annex A under Section D.7.(c).5. has been revised to reflect the requirement on the proposed timeline for the program implementation.
