

Standards to be included in ToR

Water as Leverage

Credits: [Netherlands Enterprise Agency \(RVO\)](#)

4.3 The award criteria

1. Understanding of the challenge

- The extent of how well the applicant shows a comprehensive understanding of the **urgent urban, water and climate challenges and the needs in the city of choice.**
- The extent of how well the applicant shows a clear understanding of the complex planning context in which the final end result(s) of the Call for Action should be embedded.

2. Quality of the approach and first ideas to address the city challenge

- The extent to which the proposed idea addresses the urgent urban, water and climate adaptation needs of the city.
- The extent to which this idea could address urban, water and climate change challenges in other cities (opportunity to replicate and scale up the proposals).
- The extent to which the Bid shows a clear approach to reach the deliverables as described in this document, within the timeframe and budget of the Contract;
- The extent to which the Bid shows a clear understanding of **potential risks and how to cope with these risks through an assessment and risk management strategy;**
- The extent to which the approach shows **youth and gender balance in the local coalitions and in the way to build local capacity;**
- Experience with similar relevant projects and quality of past work.

3. Quality of the team and project management

- The quality and composition of the team, taking **youth and gender balance into account;**
- The extent to which the expertise of the team and the time dedicated by individual team members / organisations match with the chosen approach;
- The extent to which the team composition explicitly shows a balance between **local and international expertise;**
- The extent to which the Bid shows a clear project management structure.