



THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

MINISTRY OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENT

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Country: UGANDA

Name of the Project: INVESTING IN FORESTS AND PROTECTED AREAS FOR CLIMATE -SMART DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Project ID No.: 170466

Assignment Title: CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO DEVELOP INTENSIVE MIXED USE AGRO FORESTRY SYSTEMS ON HOUSEHOLD PLOTS

Reference No: MWE/CONS/2021-2022/00055

1. The Government of Uganda (GOU) has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Investing in Forests and Protected Areas for Climate Smart Development (IFPA-CD) Project ¹and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services. The project is being implemented by the Ministry of Water and Environment (MWE, Lead Agency), the Uganda Wildlife Authority and the National Forest Authority with the involvement of the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities in tourism-related activities.
2. The consulting services (“the Services”) include increasing uptake of agroforestry in the target area, with the aim of enhancing environmental services from intensive, multi-layered production systems suitable for small areas, improving the supply of wood and non-wood tree products for household use, and enhancing the resilience of host community members to the impacts of the refugee inflow and other environmental shocks. The undertaking will be implemented in a period of 42 (forty-two) calendar months, in 18 districts in Western and North Western Uganda (Adjumani, Amuru, Arua, Hoima, Kagadi, Kakumiro, Kamwenge, Kibaale, Kikuube, Kiryandongo, Koboko, Kyegegwa, Lamwo, Madi Okollo, Moyo, Obongi, Terego and Yumbe). The aim is to reach (as direct beneficiaries) 9 percent of rural households (HHs) within those districts with a target of 0.2 ha per HH. This is an estimated 87,782 HHs and a total area of 17,550 ha under agroforestry.
3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <https://www.mwe.go.ug/library/tendersprocurement>.

¹ <https://www.mwe.go.ug/library/ifpa-cd-project-appraisal-document-pad>

4. The MWE now invites eligible **Non Profit Organisations (Non- Governmental Organizations-“NGOs”)** to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested NGOs should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services as set out in the TOR. The shortlisting criteria are:
 - a) Demonstrated relevance of the applicant’s mandate and core expertise to rural development and sustainable natural resource management.
 - b) At least ten (10) years general experience working in the forestry sector.
 - c) Demonstrated experience of at least three (3) assignments managing large-scale rural development programmes, including agroforestry extension, of comparable nature and scope, at least one (1) of which should have been in Sub-Saharan Africa
 - d) Presence of competency in the areas of agroforestry, project management, resource mapping, GIS, community engagement, and environmental and safeguards management.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

5. The attention of interested NGOs is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” dated November 2020 (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.
6. NGOs may associate with other NGOs to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in form of a joint venture and /or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
7. An NGO will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations available at www.worldbank.org/procurement
8. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (0900 to 1600 hours) Monday to Friday.
9. Expressions of interest clearly marked with the Assignment Title (one original and three copies) must be delivered in a written form or by email to the addresses below by 1400 hours (Ugandan time) on 29th July, 2022.

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