



THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

MINISTRY OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENT

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS 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 FOR SITUATION ASSESSMENT AND PROJECT DESIGN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY FORESTRY IN KIRYANDONGO, KIKUUBE AND HOIMA DISTRICTS UNDER IFPA-CD PROJECT

Reference No: MWE/CONS/2021-2022/00056

1. The Government of Uganda has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Investing in Forests and Protected Areas for Climate Smart Development (IFPA-CD) Project¹ and 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 Forestry Authority with the involvement of the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities in tourism-related activities and the Office of the Prime Minister in activities in the refugee-affected areas.
2. The consulting services (“the Services”) include the identification, inventory, preparation of management plans and registration of targeted community forests in Hoima, Kikuube and Kiryandongo Districts of western Uganda.
3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <https://www.mwe.go.ug/library/tendersprocurement>
4. The MWE now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants 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. At least five (5) years’ experience in the forestry and natural resources sector in the East Africa region, including decentralized community-based projects

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

- b. Demonstrated experience of at least three (3) assignments related to community forestry / rural development, at least one (1) of which should have been in East Africa.
- c. Specific experience of designing community-based forestry or natural resource management programmes.
- d. Demonstrated experience of working closely and effectively with national institutions, including Government ministries, research institutions and decentralized government authorities, and community-level organisations.

The Qualifications and Experience of Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage

- 5. The attention of interested Consultants 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. Consultants may associate with other firms 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. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultants Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations
- 8. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (09:00 to 16:00 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 5th August, 2022.

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