



Request for Expression of Interest

Individual Consultancy Services for the Provision of Climate Adaptation Expert Services for the African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF)

Consulting Services: For the Provision of Individual Consultancy Services to ACBF

Expression of Interest: ACBF/REOI/001/22/NRF

1.0 Background

The African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF) is implementing the “*Strengthening African Leadership for Climate Adaptation*” programme which seeks to improve the performance of organisations working in climate change adaptation for a sustainable climate adaptation ecosystem on the African continent. The overall expected outcome of the program is to have a strong group of Africa-based and African-led organizations capable of shaping Africa's response to climate change through effective policy dialogue, advocacy and use of common voice for awareness-raising and policy influence.

Specifically, the programme will enhance the capacity of selected organisations to lead in climate adaptation by improving their efficiency, effectiveness, relevance and sustainability, while improving their ability to develop an organisational culture of excellence. The overall aim is to improve the continent’s ability to undertake the actions necessary to prepare for and adjust to current and future impacts of climate change.

The programme focuses on a data-driven and evidence-based approach in its implementation, as well as a high focus on gender responsiveness and social inclusion within the climate adaption strategies of selected organisations.

As part of its implementation strategies, the programme will develop and implement customised performance improvement plans to address prioritised capacity challenges of target organizations that are working with poor and vulnerable African communities to develop sustainable and resilient climate adaptation strategies.

2.0 Objectives

The main objective of this Call for Expressions of Interest is to constitute a database of Climate

Adaptation experts to support the ACBF Climate Adaptation Portfolio. This is critical to providing key capacity support to partner institution in their bid to enhance climate change adaptation in Africa.

3.0 Desired Qualifications, Experience and Competencies

- 3.1 At least a Masters' Degree in in Climate Science, Ecology, Environment, Natural Resource Economics, Agriculture, or related field.
- 3.2 Strong experience in climate change adaptation, with professional exposure to Africa and adaption in the agricultural sector will be an added advantage.
- 3.3 A deep understanding of the gender and the social dimensions of climate change impacts, as well as best practices and strategies that minimize such impacts to vulnerable groups and communities.
- 3.4 At least 15 years of professional experience including significant experience in Climate Change Adaption Strategies in Africa.
- 3.5 Proven experience designing and undertaking research around climate change, Agriculture and/or related fields in Africa.
- 3.6 Significant experience working with key stakeholders and actors in the climate adaptation and agriculture sectors in Africa. (*Donors, African led organisations, NGOs, Local and National Government Organisations, etc.*).
- 3.7 Experience working on institutional capacity assessment and capacity building initiatives in Africa
- 3.8 Proven experience working on issues relating to gender and social inclusion in natural resource management and/or Agriculture will be an added advantage.
- 3.9 Experience in writing reports as evidenced by significant publications in books, reports and/or articles in journals.
- 3.10 Proficiency in English. Knowledge of French will be an added advantage.

4.0 Scope of Work and Duration

The selected consultants will form part of the ACBF Climate Adaptation Experts Pool. The scope of work and duration of specific assignments will be advised on a case-by-case basis, based on the needs identified at any specific period.

5.0 Expression of Interest Submission

Interested parties may submit via email, a Cover Letter and Curriculum Vitae with subject marked **“Expression of Interest: ACBF/REOI/001/22/NRF – Individual Consultancy Services for the Provision of Climate Adaptation Expert Services”**

Submissions Email: ProcurementUnit@acbf-pact.org on or before **1600 hours local Harare time on Friday, 29 April 2022.**