



Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry, the Environment, Sustainable Development and Immigration

REDD+ Readiness Project in Belize

Request for Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services

(Individual Consultant)

International Consultant for Legal and Institutional Framework for REDD+ Implementation in Belize

Grant No.: P152415/TF018492

Background

The Government of Belize with the assistance of the World Bank is implementing the project entitled “Reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (REDD+) Readiness Project in Belize” with Grant funding from the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility “FCPF” and has appointed the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry, the Environment, Sustainable Development and Immigration (MAFFESDI) for the overall implementation of the Project with the fiduciary support provided by the Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT). The Government of Belize intends to apply part of the proceeds of the grant to payments under the contract for this Consultancy.

REDD+ and PACT now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. In submitting Expression of Interest, consultants should provide information demonstrating that he/she has the required and relevant experience to perform the services. The shortlisting criteria are:

1. A university or higher degree in Law and Policy or equivalent and at least 10 years of professional experience in international climate change and REDD+ law and policy;
2. Familiarity with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement regimes, including the negotiating process pre and post Paris, in particular with the Warsaw REDD+ Framework and associated COP (Conference of Parties) decisions;
3. Experience in the design of strategies and policy options on climate change, and familiarity with needs and challenges of rainforest nations implementing REDD+ activities; and

4. Excellent command of the English language and similar assignments undertaken in the region.

The attention of interested consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers January 2011, revised July 2014* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry, the Environment, Sustainable Development and Immigration policy on "Employment of Public officers as consultants."

The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on Consultants' Qualification method set out in the World Bank Consultant Guidelines.

Interested consultants can request the Terms of Reference by email at redprocurement.officer@pactbelize.org

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, mail, fax or e-mail) by **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday 15th August 2018** to:

REDD+ Procurement Officer
Protected Areas Conservation Trust
3 Mango Street
Belmopan
Tel: 501-822-3637
redprocurement.officer@pactbelize.org

The sealed envelope containing the Expression of Interest must include the name and address of the applicant and should be clearly marked:

“INTERNATIONAL CONSULTANT FOR LEGAL AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR REDD+ IMPLEMENTATION IN BELIZE”

REDD+ Readiness Project and PACT shall not be bound to defray any costs incurred by applicants in preparing and submitting statements of capability.