

Integrated Ecosystems Service Management Plans for Bakassi Post Conflict Ecosystems” PINESMAP-BPCE

Terms of Reference for a study on existing and potential conflicts and disaster risks in the region, compare in relation to existing natural resource governance frameworks (policies, processes and institutions), and identify mitigation measures

Background

Disasters and conflicts threaten the lives, the rights and the needs of millions of people around the world. In the coming years, vulnerability especially in developing countries to disasters is expected to increase as their exposure to risks increases and as the frequency and intensity of natural hazards rises. Developing nations, where resilience to shocks is low and livelihoods are often highly dependent on natural resources such as water and land, will be the most affected by such disasters. Without concerted action, millions of people will be at increased risk from infectious disease, malnutrition, water scarcity, disasters, and the collapse of public services and infrastructure. The increase concentration and pressure on natural resources will exacerbate risk exposure to adverse natural events, which affects the poor disproportionately. The absence of secure land tenure underpins deprivation and is a major source of conflict in especially rural space. One and a half billion people live in countries affected by repeated cycles of violence. In the absence of services, participative planning and responsive institutions, these trends will result in increased poverty, social exclusion, vulnerability and violence

In 2006, Cameroon and signed the Greentree Agreement with Nigeria which gave Cameroon full authority to administer the area. It is within this backdrop that the government of Cameroon developed the project titled the participative integrated Ecosystems Service management Plan for the Bakassi Post Conflict Ecosystems (PINESMAP-BPCE). PINESMAP-BPCE is a biodiversity conservation and Development project of the Republic of Cameroon funded by United Nation’s Environmental Programme (UNEP) and executed by the Global Environmental Facility (GEF), Ministry of Environment, Nature Protection & Sustainable Development (MINEPDED) in partnership with six civil society organisations (CHEDE, ERuDeF, CWCS, FIDEPE, OPED AND CAM-ECO) aimed at the conservation and sustainable use and improved management of the Bakassi ecosystem. .

Objectives

The main objectives of the consultancy is to carry out an in-depth and analytical study of the existing and potential conflicts and disasters risk (CDR) in the target area and compare to existing natural resource governance framework and also identify mitigation measures.

Specifically the consultant shall:

- Identification and characterization of existing and potential conflicts and disaster risk and risk areas in the region

- Conduct a situational analysis on major risks and risk factors that would provide an initial focus for state-level work.
- Examine CDR vis a vis natural resource, policies, processes and institutions
- Identification of traditional risk/conflict reduction, mitigation management systems;
- Identify and propose advance CDR mitigation measures.
- Ensure participation of civil society and particularly women and youth in formulating and implementing the risk mitigation and management plans
- Assess integration of disaster risk information into resource governance framework Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis.
- Organize stakeholders' consultation workshop to examine and validate findings. Such workshop should include among other partners Agencies, academia, civil society, private sector and women and youth organizations.

Expected Outputs:

- CDR mapping analysis.
- Consultant's final report.
- A workshop to validate consultant's final report by stakeholders
- The final report is validated by stakeholders.

Profile of Consultant:

Required qualification and experience:

- Master Degree in Social Sciences or relevant discipline. PhD holders are also welcome to apply;
- 3 years relevant experience with a PhD and 5 years experience with Masters Degree
- Experience in project formulation and writing project documents in post-crisis and post-emergency settings;
- Relevant field experience in disaster and risk assessment and management;
- Relevant experience in capacity assessment;
- Substantive experience with conflict prevention, peace building and conflict sensitive development.
- Substantive experience in handling DRRM issues from policy to programming and implementation;
- Experience in transition/recovery/reintegration and security essential
- Is culturally sensitive and demonstrates appreciation for different cultures and practices.
- Works capably in a highly dynamic and challenging environment and is ready to take on a wide range of tasks.
- Able to recommend options for resolution of issues and self-motivated.
- Able to handle confidential and politically sensitive issues in a responsible and mature manner.
- Proficient in English.

Deliverables

- Consultants end of task report (validated by stakeholders)
- MS PowerPoint of the consultancy

Composition of file:

- A cover letter indicating interest to take up this assignment
- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- A technical proposal consisting of a methodology and operational workplan.
- A financial offer indicating the unit price

Duration of Consultancy: 30days

How to apply:

Interested persons can obtain further information and or drop file every working day from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm local time at the address below:

Hard copy (one original and three photocopies)

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