

Norway-Oslo: Research and development consultancy services

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Contract notice**Services****Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation

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Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: http://eu.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=362346&B=DFO

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I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.5. Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement**II.1.1. Title**

Central African Forest Initiative (CAFI) – an option study

Reference number: 2300444

II.1.2. Main CPV code

73200000 Research and development consultancy services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The Central African Forest Initiative (CAFI), established in 2015, is a political initiative and a multi-donor trust fund under the UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office. CAFI's goal is to assist partner countries in reducing emissions from forests and at the same time improve the living conditions for the local population.

CAFI as a political initiative consists of six Central African partner countries and nine donor countries.

The CAFI fund has grown significantly since its creation. With this growth, several challenges have been identified, which may require a different set-up than the current model. One important challenge is the mobilization of private capital.

The purpose of this study is to analyze CAFI's objectives in light of identified challenges and make clear recommendations for changes and adjustments in the institutional set-up. The consultants must develop four different options in which the fund can be organized, including adjustments to current models.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 1 900 000,00 NOK

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

77231100 Forest resources management services, 90700000 Environmental services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: NO081 Oslo

Main site or place of performance: Oslo

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The Central African Forest Initiative (CAFI), established in 2015, is a political initiative and a multi-donor trust fund under the UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office. CAFI's main goal is to contribute to reduce emissions from forests in the Congo Basin, safeguard biodiversity and improve the living conditions for the local population.

CAFI as a political initiative consists of six Central African partner countries and nine donor countries.

At country level, CAFI promotes political dialogues that ensure the integration of climate and forest goals in sector and development plans with the aim of a sustainable development with low deforestation and reduced emissions from the land use sector.

CAFI as a multi-donor fund is organized at three levels: partnership coordination & fund operations (Executive Board and Secretariat) serving the overall CAFI initiative, fund design and administration (MPTF Office), and fund implementation (implementing organizations and national governments).

The CAFI Fund has grown significantly since its creation. By the end of 2022, the CAFI Fund had received US\$643 million, with an additional US\$200 million committed. 43 projects are currently financed by CAFI. With this significant growth, several challenges have been

identified that need to be addressed to achieve the initiative's goals, which may require a different institutional set-up. One important challenge identified is the mobilization of private capital and private sector involvement in sustainable solutions in the partner countries. The purpose of this study is to analyze CAFI's objectives considering the challenges and make clear recommendations for changes and adjustments in the fund's institutional set-up. The consultants must develop four different ways in which the fund can be organized, including adjustments to the current model.

The aim is a participatory process with the establishment of two reference groups.

This option study will guide the donors to CAFI in further discussion and decision-making about the choice of direction and development of CAFI over the next few years.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Relevant competence / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed approach / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 1 900 000,00 NOK

II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 6

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.12. Information about electronic catalogues

Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

II.2.14. Additional information

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions for participation

III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

Legally established business

A certificate of registration or register transcript (sole proprietorships) from the Central Coordinating Register of Legal Entities

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria:

- The most significant supply contracts performed by the enterprise over the last three (3) years, including their value, time, and recipient.

- Summary of the total workforce of the tenderer

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

The tenderer must have sufficient technical and professional ability to execute the contract.

III.2. Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 26/05/2023 Local time: 12:00

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 26/08/2023

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 26/05/2023 Local time: 12:00

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Oslo District Court

Postal address: Pb 2106 Vika

Town: Oslo

Postal code: 0125

Country: Norway

E-mail: oslo.tingrett@domstol.no

Telephone: +47 22035200

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VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures

Official name: Norwegian Complaint Board For Public Procurement

Postal address: Pb 511 Sentrum

Town: Bergen

Postal code: 5805

Country: Norway

E-mail: post@knse.no

Telephone: +47 55193000

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: Norad

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Postal code: 0112

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

24/04/2023