

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT TO CONDUCT MAPPING OF CLIMATE CHANGE POLICIES AND INSTITUTIONS THAT ARE RELEVANT TO WOMEN WITH DISABILITIES (WWDs) IN EAST AFRICA AND SMALL DEVELOPING ISLANDS STATES (SIDS).

REFERENCE NO: ICCASA/ACCF/2023/00002

1. The Centre for Inclusive Climate Change Adaptation for a Sustainable Africa (ICCASA) and The Centre for Minority Rights Development (CEMIRIDE) hereby invites Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in the following Assignment: Conduct Mapping of Climate Change Policies and Institutions that Are Relevant to Women with Disabilities (WWDs) In Eastern Africa and Small Developing Islands States (SIDS).
2. With funding from the Africa Climate Change Fund (ACCF) of the African Development Bank Group, ICCASA, the lead partner, is implementing a 3-year project in partnership with (CEMIRIDE) on Strengthening the Voices of Women with Disability to Actively Participate in Climate Change Policy and Negotiations (STREVOW).
3. The objective of the Project is to enhance technical skills and improve leadership of women with disabilities in climate change policy making and negotiations at national and global levels, achieve gender balance in decision-making tables while creating safe platforms and a voice for Women with Disabilities (WWDs) to advocate for gender mainstreaming in climate change policies in Eastern Africa and Small Developing Islands States (SIDS). The target countries are Burundi, Comoros, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Rwanda, Tanzania, South Sudan, Seychelles, and Uganda.
4. The main aim of this assignment is to conduct mapping of climate change policies and institutions that are relevant to WWDs, in Eastern Africa and Small Developing Islands States (SIDS). The specific objectives are:
 - a. A comprehensive desk review of
 - i. Climate change policies and initiatives that are relevant to WWDs between 2013-2023;
 - ii. Composition, roles and responsibilities of relevant institutional mechanisms on climate change adaptation and mitigation and how they relevant to WWD, including REDD+, NDCs, NAPs, Loss and Damage, National communications and relevant financing modalities for WWDs in the region
 - b. Examination of the capacity of duty bearers and Non-State Actors to design gender-transformative climate change policies and frameworks for WWDs, as well as the level of coordination and cohesion to ensure that climate change plans and actions are strategically implemented to prioritize and meet the unique need and challenges of WWD.
 - c. To review country-specific financing mechanisms for funding climate change actions for WWDs, with a view to inform the development of WWDs centered budgets for climate action.
 - d. To assess levels of inclusion of WWD rights and concerns in existing climate change policies and frameworks in regional and international agreements including but not limited to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), African Development Bank (AfDB) Gender strategy, the Paris Agreement, and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.
5. The Individual Consultant should possess the following:
 - a. **Education requirements:**

- i. At least a Master’s degree in Gender Studies, Climate Change, Environmental Science, Climate Change, or other relevant fields with specialization in climate change.
- b. **Consultant’s Work experience:**
 - i. Minimum 5 years’ experience in gender studies, evaluation and/or conducting evaluations with expertise in gender, environmental/climate change policies and frameworks and People Living with Disabilities (PLWD);
 - ii. 3-5 years of experience in undertaking a Gender Transformative Approach.
 - iii. A demonstrable knowledge and understanding of human rights (Rights Based Approach) especially women’s rights in Africa.
 - iv. An understanding of integrating gender equality and power balance in a project through a logical framework.
 - v. Knowledge of climate change policies
 - vi. Knowledge of best practices in vulnerability/adaptation/international developments including the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate change (UNFCCC), Intergovernmental panel on Climate Change (IPCC) etc.
 - vii. Previous experience and good comprehension of the 12 countries where the assessment will be conducted; Experience in a national setting with national or international organizations is an asset.
 - viii. Fluency in the English language is required. Knowledge of French is an added advantage.

6. ICCASA and CEMIRIDE invites Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services. Interested Individual Consultants must provide information on their qualifications and experience demonstrating their ability to undertake this Assignment (documents, reference to similar services, experience in similar assignments, etc.).

7. The eligibility criteria, the establishment of a short list and the selection procedure shall be in conformity with the Bank’s Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations, dated October 2015. Please, note that interest expressed by an Individual Consultant does not imply any obligation on the part of ICCASA and CEMIRIDE to include it in the shortlist.

8. The candidates will be evaluated based on following criteria:

Criteria	Maximal Score
General qualification and adequacy to the proposed assignment	30
Similar experience	60
Language proficiency	5
Knowledge of the Region	5
Total	100

The minimum qualifying score for the shortlist is 70/100

9. Selection Procedure: Qualified consultants are invited to submit the following **to the post office address below, not later than 27th September, 2023;**

- a. A maximum of 5 pages’ proposal to ICCASA interpreting the terms of reference and elaborating the consultancy methodology and design, level of effort required to fully deliver the assignment, and with a work plan and budget (cost application) for undertaking the assignment;
- b. A financial proposal
- c. Brief overview of consultant and the skills and experience they would bring to assignment
- d. The consultant resume - maximum 3 pages;

- e. Sample reports of relevant consultancy work (At least 3 and not more than 5)
 - f. Contact details of three referees from organizations that have recently contracted the consultant to perform similar or related work for the last 2-5 years.
10. The Consultancy should be conducted within 30 working days spread over 2 months including planning, survey, desk review and analysis, write up, feedback and production of the final report
 11. Interested Individual Consultants may obtain further information at the address below
 12. Expressions of interest must be sent **to the post office box address below, not later than 27th September, 2023;**“Application for STREVOW Institutional Mapping in the subject line.

For the attention of:

Procurement Unit,
Inclusive Climate Change Adaptation for Sustainable Africa (ICCASA)
P.O. Box 1872 – 00606,
Sarit Center, Nairobi, Kenya.

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