Call for Consultancy Positions Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)

Position title: National Consultants for the GCF project "Readiness Support for Building"

Community Resilience through Application of Traditional and Local Knowledge

(TLK) System"

Available Positions: Private Sector Engagement and TLK (two positions, one each for Nepal and

Pakistan) and CCA Project Development (two positions, one each for Nepal and Pakistan). Women, youths, and members of Indigenous People groups are

encouraged to apply.

Responsible to: Under the direct supervision of the IGES

Contract type: Consultancy Contract (not Employment Contract)

Remuneration: lump sum to be paid upon delivery of outputs according to project schedule. Period: The work will in parts throughout the project duration (Until July 2025), i.e.,

about 6-7 months.

Place of work: The consultants must be based in Pakistan or Nepal, respectively.

Submission Deadline: 17 January 2025 but the call may remain open after the date until a

suitable candidate is found

1. About IGES

Established in 1998, the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) is an independent, non-profit environmental policy think-tank, headquartered in Japan. IGES aims to achieve a new paradigm for civilization, conduct innovative policy development and strategic research for environmental measures, and reflect research results into political decisions for realising sustainable development both in the Asia-Pacific region and globally.

2. Background

This is a readiness project under the Green Climate Fund (GCF)'s, which is an operating entity of the UNFCCC financial mechanism, Readiness Programme that provides resources for strengthening institutional capacities, governance mechanisms, and planning and programming frameworks to identify a transformational long-term climate action agenda for developing countries. The National Designated Authorities (NDA) of two participating countries, Nepal and Pakistan, has requested Institute for Global Environment Strategies (IGES) to serve as delivery partner for this multi-country project.

The primary goal of the proposed project is to establish an enabling environment for Traditional and Local Knowledge (TLK) systems to be regularly and systematically considered by NDAs, AEs, DAEs, EEs, and other stakeholders, including the private sector as adaptation solutions and a bankable investment strategy for addressing climate change impacts at the local level. This will also improve their access to international climate finance due to the emerging recognition of the importance of TLK for climate action in international climate change agreements and scientific assessment.

Further information about the project could be found in the Readiness Proposal from the GCF project web address: https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/readiness-support-building-community-resilience-through-application-traditional-and-local

3. Objectives / Purpose of the Assignment

The purpose of this assignment is to support implementation of project activities in Nepal and Pakistan mainly contributing private sector engagement at the local to support development of bankable TLK solutions and formulation of climate change adaptation project for financing through available funding sources.

4. Duties and responsibilities

All the duties and responsibilities will be guided by the project log-frame and will be implemented in close consultation with the project Delivery Partner. Specific contents of the work and relevant activities in the project log-frame are outlined below:

Position: Private Sector Engagement and TLK

- (4.1) Conduct a feasibility assessment of select TLK systems and formulate integrated solutions contributing to climate change adaptation and resilience building.
- (4.2) Identify potential private sector at the local level for TLK integration solutions and de-risking models for climate investment
- (4.3) Facilitate workshops with relevant stakeholders from the government, private sector (e.g., SMEs, local financial institutions and cooperatives), and non-state actors to validate the identified potential ideas and de-risking models
- (4.4) Develop a draft guidebook to suggest clear strategic approaches and steps towards operationalizing the identified TLK integration solutions and de-risking models.
- (4.5) Provide training at the national/sub-national levels to relevant stakeholders from the government, private sector (e.g., SMEs, local financial institutions and cooperatives), and non-state actors to roll out the guidebook to expand stakeholders' knowledge base.

Position: CCA Project Development

- (4.6) Contribute in the development of GCF Concept Note Development based on the findings of feasibility assessment as well as identified TLK cases
- (4.7) Organize comprehensive training/mentoring workshops on TLK incorporation in GCF CN development covering technical, financial, socio-institutional, environmental, and capacity aspects of integrating TLK by utilizing the produced guidance material from the project.

5. Qualifications

The consultants shall have the following competencies and qualifications:

• Master's degree or above in natural sciences, engineering, management, humanity, or subjects relevant to climate change adaptation.

- Over five years of working experience in TLK and/or climate change project design and climate financing. Familiarity with TLK, private sector engagement, feasibility study, will be an advantage for the Private Sector Engagement and TLK position.
- Experience in GCF Concept Note Development will be an advantage for both positions.
- A good understanding of climate change impacts and adaptation needs/priorities of Nepal and/or Pakistan.
- Experience in climate change research and solution development and management. Experience at the community level solution development and implementation will be an advantage.
- Language skills: Proficiency in written and spoken English and local language is essential. Understanding of regional languages will be an advantage

6. Outputs/Deliverables and timeline

The list below includes some of the deliverables to be met by the National Consultants. Specific deliverables and dates will be discussed with the incumbent upon commencement of the assignment and a workplan will be drawn up which may include inter alia:

(6.1) Outputs/Deliverables:

For Private Sector Engagement and TLK

- Consolidated feasibility report presenting identified potential TLK solutions and de- risking models. The report also includes stakeholder analysis and mapping with their potential roles/contributions.
- Reports of validation workshop including key feedback and recommendations
- Regional draft guidebook on feasibility assessment, private sector engagement, and re-risking measures inclusive of findings and context specific recommendations
- Training completion report.

For CCA Project Development

- GCF concept note
- Workshop completion report on GCF Concept Note Development

(6.2) Timeline:

- Quarterly (every three months) progress report with supporting evidence. Format of the report to be mutually agreed with Delivery Partner
- Final report according to project timeline. Specific deadlines to be mutually agreed with Delivery Partner.

7. Place of Work

The consultants/firm shall be based in Nepal or Pakistan and work in close collaboration with the Delivery Partner both on-site and off-site.

8. How to Apply

Interested and qualified applicants/firms are encouraged to submit a letter of motivation (1 page) and cover letter with the CV to Dr.Binaya Raj Shivakoti (shivakoti@iges.or.jp), and copy to culshawishii@iges.or.jp. Please indicate "GCF TLK National Consultants" in your subject email. Also specify the country (Nepal or Pakistan) and position "Private Sector Engagement and TLK", "CCA Project Development" or "Private Sector Engagement, TLK and CCA Project Development"

Please note that documents submitted as part of the application will not be returned. Do not submit original certificates. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for further discussion.

9. Contract fee

Not exceeding the amount specified in the Section 6.2 Implementation and execution roles and responsibilities in the project proposal available at https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/readiness-support-building-community-resilience-through-application-traditional-and-local