



**Terms of Reference - NATIONAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES ANNOUNCEMENT:
CONSULTANCY FOR THE PROVISION OF ECONOMIC ADVISOR SUPPORT TO
LIBERIA**

Building upon a strong foundation of science, partnership, and field demonstration, Conservation International (CI) empowers societies to care for nature responsibly and sustainably, our global biodiversity, for the well-being of humanity. CI’s strategy is to serve as a trusted advisor to decision makers at all levels to help societies establish healthy, sustainable economies that secure nature’s ability to provide enduring human well-being.

We accomplish this through the four pillars of our work:

1. We innovate to identify and implement practical and effective solutions to problems. This innovation takes place throughout the organization and relates to all aspects of CI’s work including science, field implementation, policy, markets, partnerships, etc.
2. We promote healthy, sustainable economies to achieve those impacts
3. We demonstrate these impacts throughout CI geographies (including Liberia)

CI works through global agents of change, the major partners that help us amplify and achieve global impact

General Background

As part of the NDC Partnership Climate Action Enhancement Package for Liberia, Conservation International and Ministry of Finance and Development Planning (MFDP) seeks a consultant to provide an Economic Advisory support to the Government of Liberia. The NDC Partnership has initiated this support to integrate climate actions in recovery planning in response to the COVID-19 global pandemic. This support comes at a critical time when many countries are revising their commitments to the Paris Agreement in 2020, through the enhancement of their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). While countries design stimulus packages and recovery plans in response to COVID-19, there is opportunity to ensure that national climate ambition is an integral component of short- and long-term recovery and economic growth strategies.

The main objective of this consultancy is to analyze opportunities in the economic recovery plans of Liberia that align with national climate agenda, the planned and ongoing NDC-related investments and projects, to conduct costed measures of low carbon and climate-resilient investments with recommendations on how to integrate climate considerations into Government’s short-, mid- and long-term responses in the COVID-19 recovery state; and develop a contextualize recommendations on feasible fiscal instruments to stimulate green growth as part of COVID19 economic recovery.

SCOPE OF WORK (PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES)

1. Purpose and objectives

Conservation international- Liberia in collaboration with the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning (MFDP) of Liberia seek to recruit an Economic Advisor Consultant. The objectives of this assignment is to analyze opportunities in the economic recovery plans of Liberia that align with national climate agenda, the planned and ongoing NDC-related investments and projects, to conduct costed measures of low carbon and climate-resilient investments with recommendations on how to integrate climate considerations into Government’s short-, mid- and long-term responses in the



COVID-19 recovery state; and develop a contextualize recommendations on feasible fiscal instruments to stimulate green growth as part of COVID19 economic recovery.

The consultant will work under the supervision of the Department of Budget and Development Planning in the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning in close collaboration with Conservation International- Liberia to deliver on this assignment.

2. Key Tasks

The consultant will perform the following tasks:

1. Facilitate and support socio-economic Assessment of the impact of COVID-19 on Economy, national development Plan and climate agenda in line with the COVID-19 economic recovery plans identify opportunities for including climate actions and NDCs targets in the short-, medium and long-term National Development Plan PAPD.
2. Identify and quantify appropriate low carbon and climate-resilient investments (short-, medium- and long-term) that the Government can consider supporting the country in recovering from COVID-19 impacts.
3. Designing fiscal instruments that can stimulate green growth and lead other teams in the drafting the revised national development plan-PAPD
4. Work closely with National COVID19 task forces to support resource mobilization for economic recovery for the revised national Development priorities including climate related measures
5. Raise awareness and build national Capacity across line ministries on how identify and develop climate financing initiatives, including low emission and climate-resilient projects that can be used as COVID responses measures

6. Deliverable outputs

The Consultant will be required to present:

1. A report on impacts of COVID-19 on national climate agenda and socioeconomic aspects
2. An Analysis of opportunities in the economic recovery plans that align with national climate agenda, the planned and ongoing NDC-related investments, and projects
3. Report of costed measures of low carbon and climate-resilient investments with recommendations on how to integrate climate considerations into Government's short-, mid- and long-term responses in the COVID-19 recovery state
4. A policy paper with contextualized recommendations on feasible fiscal instruments to stimulate green growth as part of COVID19 economic recovery
5. A draft revised national development Plan.
6. Quarterly reports of work performed submitted to the Conservation International and the NDC Partnership Support Unit.

REQUIRED SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

7. Advanced degree and experience in economics, finance, climate change or a related field.
8. 10 + years of professional experience in public and private sectors, ideally related to infrastructure and project finance, public Investment, project development, and fundraising.
9. Three+ years of substantial experience in business development, capital raising, and/or developing public-private partnerships with a successful track record in climate finance related activities.
10. Experience working with government stakeholders in national and/or regional policy development and implementation in climate change activities.
11. Experience across multiple contexts, and an understanding of international policy debates and challenges in climate finance and economics.



12. Experience conducting macro-economic analyses for sustainable development, including quantifying vulnerabilities of the national economic to climate or other disaster related shocks.
13. Proven ability to network and develop partnerships across a range of stakeholders and track record of managing complex multi-stakeholder strategies and plans.
14. Strong understanding of climate change issues including global environment and development dynamics that influence resource allocation by governments and development organizations.
15. Strong knowledge on National Planning, Public Financial Management systems, climate finance and corresponding funding sources.
16. Excellent interviewing skills and proven experience with stakeholder consultation processes.
17. Excellent communication skills with ability to express ideas clearly, concisely, and effectively, both orally and in writing.
18. Fluency in English

DURATION: The maximum period of the contract will be six months beginning October 15, 2020 (October 15, 2020 – April 15, 2021)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFERS

Inquiries: Please direct all inquiries concerning this request for proposal to bkolubah@mfdp.gov.lr with a copy pmulbah@conservation.org

To apply: Please submit application including 1.) Cover page explaining your interest and proposed approach 2.) Your fully loaded hourly rate; and 3.) Your up-to-date CV and three references to bkolubah@mfdp.gov.lr with a copy pmulbah@conservation.org. Deadline for the submission of application: **September 30, 2020**

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