Request for Proposal
Consultancy: Socio Economic Baseline Study

Conservation International Suriname (CI Suriname) is looking for a consultant for a Socio-Economic Baseline in Brownsweg to execute project activities for a period of 3 months. For starting a community development project in Brownsweg it is necessary to gather baseline information that will allow CI staff to acquire a much better understanding of, and appreciation for the way of life of the tribal communities at Brownsweg, and how to work with the communities to develop a set of indicators on individual-level, household-level, community-level, and project-level which will be used for annual monitoring of the community development project in Brownsweg.

The objective of the consultancy is to gather the necessary baseline information to facilitate effective conservation and sustainable development interventions at the community level based in Brownsweg to execute a community development project. This baseline focusses specifically on the human population, and less on ecological factors.

Timeline & Deliverables

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<td>Submit Workplan</td>
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<td>+ Research instruments to gather information &amp; a community data sheet</td>
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<td>Prepare and conduct field activities in Brownsweg</td>
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<td>Validation meeting in Brownsweg Report revisions</td>
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<td>- List of indicators with instructions for measurement</td>
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Requirements
Applicant should meet the following requirements:

- A relevant master’s degree or higher in a social science;
- A minimum of five (5) years’ experience in Socio Economic Baseline Assessments with Tribal communities in Suriname;
- Dutch and English proficiency, both in speaking and writing;
- Sranang Tongo and/or local dialects: speaking and writing are a pre.

Selection Criteria

- Overall quality of CV and Cover Letter – 3 pts
- Education Requirement - 3 pts
- Work Experience Requirement- 3 pts
- Strong communication & presentation skills including the ability to effectively convey complex details or technical information 3pts
- Experience with similar projects- 3 pts
- Understanding of the challenges and cultural background of Indigenous communities - 3 pts
- English proficiency, both in speaking and writing - 3 pts
- Highly familiar employing cultural awareness and sensitivity - 3 pts
- Comprehensive technical proposal on how to measure socio economic baseline studies - 3 pts
- Budget – 3 pts

Interested?
Applications should be sent, in English, to ci-suriname@conservation.org on/ or before November 12, 2021, by 4PM. Please specify "Socio EconomicBaseline Study Brownsweg Consultancy + Your Name" in the subject line. Applications should include:

(i) A resume of the applicant providing detailed information on the criteria listed in the “selection criteria” section of the RFP
(ii) A minimum of five (5) years’ experience with Biodiversity Baseline studies with local communities in Suriname
(iii) Provide two studies or reports for similar work performed by the consultant in the past
(iv) Budget according to the activities, deliverables, and estimated timeline

Applicants who submitted complete applications and has all the essential skills and competences will be selected and contacted for an interview. Please do not send information not requested.

Questions and clarifications regarding the consultancy may be addressed no later than November 11, 2021, to the Project Lead; Ms. L. Trustfull by e-mail ltrustfull@conservation.org.