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## **REDD+ Readiness Project in Belize**

### **MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, FORESTRY, THE ENVIRONMENT, SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND IMMIGRATION (MAFFESDI)**

#### **Request for Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services**

#### **(Individual Consultant)**

**Lead Coordinator for the land use monitoring and capacity building through the Open Foris/Collect Earth Tool to support the construction of the Belize Forest Reference Emissions Level (FREL) project.**

**Grant No: P152415/TF018492**

The Government of Belize with the assistance of the World Bank is implementing the project entitled “Reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (REDD+) Readiness Project in Belize” with Grant funding from the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility “FCPF” and has appointed the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry, the Environment, Sustainable Development and Immigration (MAFFESDI) for the overall implementation of the Project with the fiduciary support provided by the Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT). The Government of Belize intends to apply part of the proceeds of the grant to payments under the contract for this Consultancy.

REDD+ and PACT now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. In submitting Expression of Interest, consultants should provide information demonstrating that he/she has the required and relevant experience to perform the services. The shortlisting criteria are:

1. Bachelor’s degree and above, preferably in forest management, environmental science, economics, GIS or natural resource management or a discipline related to the project;
2. Proven experience in data processing, computer software, computation, Systems Dynamics, Simulation or Modeling, Biometrics, Geographic Information Systems, Geomatics Engineering.
3. Proven working experience in climate change issues including REDD+, forest/natural resources management, environmental management, and rural and social development;
4. Proven work experience on development and implementation of Open Foris/Collect Earth in developing countries (Central America and Caribbean);

5. Proven knowledge in GIS/remote sensing is an asset;
6. Strong communication skills (verbal and written) in English; and
7. Computer skills

The attention of interested consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers January 2011, revised July 2014* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry, the Environment, Sustainable Development and Immigration policy on "Employment of Public officers as consultants."

The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on Consultants' Qualification method set out in the World Bank Consultant Guidelines.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, mail, fax or e-mail) by **4:00 p.m. on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018** to:

REDD+ Procurement Officer  
Protected Areas Conservation Trust  
3 Mango Street  
Belmopan  
Tel: 822-3637  
[redprocurement.officer@pactbelize.org](mailto:redprocurement.officer@pactbelize.org)

The sealed envelope containing the Expression of Interest must include the name and address of the applicant and should be clearly marked:

**"LEAD COORDINATOR FOR THE LAND USE MONITORING AND CAPACITY BUILDING THROUGH THE OPEN FORIS/COLLECT EARTH TOOL TO SUPPORT THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BELIZE FOREST REFERENCE EMISSIONS LEVEL (FREL) PROJECT"**

PACT shall not be bound to defray any costs incurred by applicants in preparing and submitting statements of capability.