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Project "Support to Nagoya Protocol implementation, research, and development, on Biodiversity value chain for smallholders in the South-West and Far North Regions of Cameroon"

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Assessment of knowledge, attitude, and practice towards Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) among key stakeholders' groups in Cameroon

Référence dans le PTA 2025 : activités 80

I. CONTEXT

Cameroon is a Party to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). In line with its obligations concerning the CBD objectives, particularly regarding access and benefit sharing (ABS), Cameroon ratified the Nagoya Protocol in 2016. The country also piloted several ABS initiatives, culminating in the promulgation of the ABS law and the signing of its implementing regulations. A clear procedure for access to genetic resources (GR) and associated traditional knowledge (GR) has also been established.

There is increasing recognition among ABS practitioners that improving the successful implementation of ABS depends upon an adequate understanding of the socio-cultural and economic aspects of the context in which ABS law and regulations are implemented. Such information has typically been gathered through various types of cross-sectional surveys, the most popular and widely used being the knowledge, attitude, and practice (KAP) survey.

As part of the efforts to implement the ABS framework in Cameroon, the project entitled "Support to Nagoya Protocol implementation, research, and development, on Biodiversity value chain for smallholders in the South-West and Far North Regions of Cameroon ", has been approved by the Global Environment Facility (GEF). The project aims to support the operationalization of the ABS national framework, by enabling access to genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge that accrue tangible national and local economic benefits from their commercial utilization in a fair, equitable, and sustainable manner.

Under Output 3.1.4, the project has planned for stock-taking exercises of best practices and lessons learned from the value chains of GRs and aTK to inform ABS' Investment and support to the local and national development plans.

It is in this context that the Project seeks the service of consultants to carry out a Knowledge, Attitude, and Practice (KAP) survey among key stakeholders of the ABS landscape in Cameroon.

II. OBJECTIVE

This service aims to carry out a Knowledge, Attitude, and Practice (KAP) survey among key stakeholders of the ABS landscape in Cameroon.

III. MAIN TASKS

Main tasks include:

1. review relevant documentation on the ABS framework and ABS implementation in Cameroon;
2. develop and validate adequate survey methods and tools and define appropriate sample population and sample size;
3. survey key stakeholders including researchers, Indigenous People and Local Communities, private sector, and relevant state administration bodies;
4. draw lessons learned and suggest appropriate strategy for a wider uptake of ABS in Cameroon;
5. analyze the data collected using appropriate statistical tools and prepare manuscript(s) of scientific papers, a policy brief, and a fact sheet

IV. EXPECTED RESULTS

From this survey, it is expected a substantive stock-taking report on Knowledge, attitudes, and practices related to ABS among key stakeholders, and proposals for a strategy for a wider uptake of ABS in Cameroon

V. DELIVERABLES

The consultant (s) will prepare and submit the following deliverables:

Deliverables	Deadline
Deliverable 1 : An inception report containing (i) a literature review on ABS framework and implementation in Cameroon and (ii) the detailed methodology to carry out the assignment along with the survey tools	No later than 2 weeks after signing the contract.
Deliverable 2 : a report of the survey with key stakeholders groups summarizing the findings and suggesting appropriate strategy for a wider uptake of ABS in Cameroon	No later than 02 month after the inception report
Deliverable 3 : a power-point presentation at a stakeholders meeting along with the final edited report incorporating comments received and manuscripts of at least one research article, a policy brief and a fact sheet	No later than 02 weeks after validation of deliverable 3

VI. DURATION

The duration of this assignment is 30 days, spread over a period of 3 months.

VII. COMPETENCES AND PROFIL OF THE CONSULTANTS

The consultants must :

- have at least PhD degree, in environmental and social sciences, or any other relevant field;
- proven experience in ABS issues;
- proven experience in writing scientific articles and technical reports

VIII. APPLICATION AND CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION

Application

Interested candidates are invited to submit their application which will include:

- a technical offer containing:
 - a cover letter stating your interest in the assignment;
 - a methodological note detailing the methodological approach that will be adopted to carry out the assignment and including (i) the consultant's relevant experience and references for similar work carried out, including relevant published scientific articles (ii) a detailed presentation of data collection approaches and tools (iii) a timetable defining the deadlines and stages necessary for carrying out the entire assignment and submitting the various deliverables, (iv) the Curriculum Vitae (CV).
- A financial offer

Criteria or the selection

The following criteria will be used to analyze the bids and select the consultant:

Critères	score
1) Qualification and degree	20
2) Methodological approach in line with the expected results and implementation schedule	40
3) CV and proof of proofs of experience in ABS issues	10
4) Scientific publication record	20
5) Financial bill	10
TOTAL	100

Date

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