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## **Investment in Forests and Sustainable Land Use Phase II (IFSLU2) Component 3**

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Investment in Forests and Sustainable Land Use Phase II (IFSLU2) Component 3

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

## Services

### II.1.4) Short description

IFSLU2 is a flagship programme under the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's (FCDO) International Climate Finance (ICF) portfolio.

IFLSU2 is a £500 million commitment over a 10-year period, with a first tranche of £195m starting in Financial Year (FY) 2023/24 with a planned end of 31st March 2028. This new commitment of ODA funding will build on a successful first phase of operations through Investments in Forests and Sustainable Land Use (IFSLU1) (£140m, 2015-24).

IFLSU1 worked with the private sector to develop and implement new approaches to business which balance commodity production, livelihoods and forest protection and mobilise investment in protection and sustainable use of forest resources. Results include over £1bn in private investment mobilised into sustainable agriculture, forest protection and restoration. This has improved management across 4.5m hectares of land, benefiting over 250,000 people, mainly smallholder farmers and rural communities.

IFLSU2 will be delivered through five linked components:

- Component 1 – Business incubation, pipeline development, business enabling conditions and demand-side measures. Interventions oriented towards catalysing forest-friendly enterprises in forest landscapes in East Africa, West and Central Africa, Latin America and South-East Asia.
- Component 2 – Enhanced support for smallholder farmers. Interventions oriented towards reaching smallholders at scale in order to support their transition to sustainable production in ways that deliver strong developmental and social outcomes.
- Component 3 – Business and market development in the Congo Basin. Interventions oriented towards building the fundamental enabling conditions, capabilities, and structures to enable business-led sustainable production in Congo Basin countries.
- Component 4 – Policy support to catalyse transformational change and action at scale. Interventions oriented towards building political momentum, action, collaboration, demand shifts and policy change through global and regional level collaboration.
- Component 5 – Monitoring, evaluation, learning (MEL) and knowledge: Independent monitoring and evaluation to support programme-wide learning, inform management decisions, programme strategy and delivery and strengthen evidence.

This is expected to mobilise £2bn in private investment; directly benefit 0.5m people, mainly

small farmers and poor rural communities; and improve management across over 10m ha of land.

This Early Market Engagement (EME) will follow the respective events held on 23 October 2023 (Component 1 and 2) and 31 October 2023 (Component 3). The aim of the EME is to inform and consult the market of the upcoming IFSLU2 programme and focus on the specifics of Components 1, 2 and 3. For the avoidance of doubt, Components 1 & 2 will be delivered by a single contract and is a separate procurement to Component 3.

This is not a call to competition or tender at this time.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £66,500,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This is not a call for competition or tender at this time. This EME will inform FCDO's approach to engaging delivery partners and testing our design assumptions. For the avoidance of doubt, Components 1 & 2 will be delivered by a single contract and is a separate procurement to Component 3.

## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 April 2024

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

This EME is scheduled to take place virtually on Thursday 8 February @ 10:00 – 12:00 GMT. Please register for attendance for the EME via the guidance below.

How to register for this EME:

If you are interested in attending this Early Market Engagement event, then please register via the form at: <https://forms.office.com/e/2dc23HdUDy>

We ask that Suppliers register on the Jaggaer Portal and sign up to the PQQ titled 'IFSLU2 Component 3 – EME Only'. All future communications relating to market engagement and pre-procurement messaging will be sent through the portal. Please note that this is not the PQQ stage of the formal procurement process and non-attendance will not impact any bidder's opportunity to participate in the tender process. Should you have any technical issues with the Portal, please call eTendering helpdesk: +44 0203 868 2859 or use the "Call me Back!" functionality (recommended, especially if contacting from outside of UK). Any issues with accessing this PQQ should be reported to [cliodhna.simpson@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:cliodhna.simpson@fcdo.gov.uk)