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Planning

PROJ10232 Africa Regional Climate and Nature Programme (ARCAN) (FORMERLY SUCCESS)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-007057

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Other activity

International Development

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

PROJ10232 Africa Regional Climate and Nature Programme (ARCAN) (FORMERLY SUCCESS)

Reference number

PROJ10232

II.1.2) Main CPV code

75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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Under the Climate Finance and policy theme of ARCAN, the FCDO are looking to establish and manage a Technical Assistance Facility. The current budget for this contract is £14m over 4 years between 2022 and 2026. If conditions are favourable, a possible increase in budget up-to £35m may be available. The facility will provide demand led technical assistance against three thematic areas and a cross-cutting set of issues:

i. Supporting access to climate and nature finance. Working with other initiatives to target knowledge/information gaps, enabling environment, capability of those seeking funding and gaps in the use and management of funds.

- ii. Support to integrate climate and nature into policies and planning. Support to improve the way climate and nature are integrated into policy and planning across sectors and levels of administration.
- iii. Support for meeting international climate transparency requirements. Supporting countries to meet reporting requirements under the Paris Agreement the Enhanced Transparency Framework.

The facility will also provide cross cutting support on strengthening approaches to political economy, inclusion and fragility (theme 4) to inform and underpin delivery across ARCAN and TA themes 1 to 3 (above) to support our high ambition on inclusion and working in conflict/fragile contexts.

Themes 1 to 3 under the facility are aimed to support a range of African stakeholders, including Regional organisations, national and local governments, civil society and the private sector. FCDO offices and programmes in sub-Saharan Africa will be encouraged to apply for support under theme 4 to add value to commitments in business plans, promote UK interests and influence others.

Please register on the FCDO Supplier Portal for this opportunity (PROJ10232) to receive all communication and updates - https://fcdo.proactisportal.com/Account/Login

There will be an Early Market Engagement event held - Date TBC.

Note, there are 2 elements to registration which must not be confused with each other.

- 1. Suppliers must register their interest to PROJ10232 on the FCDO Supplier Portal to ensure they receive all communications and updates (this is not registration to attend the event)
- 2. Within the profile of PROJ10232 on the portal, there are attachments containing additional documents which contain the link to register for the EME event.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £14,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKM95 - South Lanarkshire

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 March 2023

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