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Contract

## **Forest Governance, Markets and Climate (FGMC) Phase 2 – Technical Assistance Portfolio Manager (TAPM)**

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.gov.uk/fcd/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.gov.uk/fcd/>

**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

Forest Governance, Markets and Climate (FGMC) Phase 2 – Technical Assistance Portfolio Manager (TAPM)

Reference number

itt\_6861

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) tendered for a Supplier to deliver the Technical Assistance Portfolio Manager of the Forest Governance, Markets and Climate (FGMC) Phase 2 programme.

The TAPM supplier will directly mobilise or commercially source, contract and oversee projects that provide technical assistance in support of forest governance reform processes. These projects will help FGMC partner countries develop forest policies and institutional arrangements that deliver accountable forest stewardship or improve forest footprints associated with international trade in alliance countries, contributing to overarching programme objectives.

The start date of the contract was August 2025, the maximum initial contract value is £75,000,000 excluding UK VAT but including overseas local taxes, with an option to increase its total value and/or duration based on need.

The contract initial length is up to 48 months with a value up to £75 million. The contract may be extended and/or its value increased through:

- Extension option: up to an additional 60 months and a value up to an additional £100 million
- Scale up option: should resources become available

This opportunity was tendered through the Light Touch regime which is based upon the Open Procedure prior to an optional negotiation stage. The light touch regime is defined under regulations 74 to 76 of Section 7 Social and Other Specific Services of Chapter 3 Particular Procurement Regimes, Public Contract Regulations 2015 (Light Touch Regime).

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £175,000,000

### **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

Main site or place of performance

Global - FGMC 2 will work across a range of countries in West and Central Africa, South America, SE Asia and the Pacific. This is not exhaustive. tender documents provided full details.

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

The aim of the Forest Governance, Markets and Climate (FGMC2) programme is to reduce the illegal and unsustainable use of forest resources, while benefitting poor, forest-dependent people, especially Indigenous People and Local Communities. It promotes sustainable growth in developing countries, supporting them to trade their way out of poverty by changing the way forest products are bought and sold across the globe, establishing forest stewardship to reverse forest and biodiversity decline.

FGMC2 builds on a successful first phase (FGMC1: £280m, 2011-24) which provided evidence and strong foundational partnerships that drove governance reforms and improved forest stewardship. FGMC2 doubles the ambition to a £500m 10-year Business Case with an initial phase running from 2024-2029 with a total value of £220m

The programme focus is on forest land stewardship establishing governance arrangements and rules-based systems (outcomes) and the changed behaviour of key actors as a result of the implementation and enforcement of those rules (impact). The ultimate benefits to forest, environment and people are captured at the super-impact level.

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: commercial / Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

This contract was awarded with an initial value of £75,000,000.

Extension Option: up to an additional 60 months and a value up to an additional £100m

Scale up Option: to be used at any time if additional resources become available

The contract will be initially awarded for the core period only.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2025/S 000-001897](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

ecm\_7702

### **Title**

Forest Governance, Markets and Climate Phase 2 - Technical Assistance Portfolio Manager (TAPM)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 August 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Palladium International Limited

105 Bunhill Row

London

EC1Y 8LZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £75,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £75,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This contract was awarded with an initial value of £75,000,000 from 4 Aug 25 - 4 Aug 29.

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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