

Term of Reference

CONSULTANT FOR THE CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION (CCA) ACTION PLAN UPDATE

USAID Sustainable Coral Triangle CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat

The Coral Triangle Initiative on Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF) Regional Secretariat is looking for a qualified, experienced, and motivated Consultant for the update of Climate Change Adaptation Action Plans for each of the six member countries (CT6).

Background

CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat is implementing its Regional Plan of Action (RPOA 2.0). In achieving its 2025 goal and 2030 goals, CTI-CFF, supported by USAID Sustainable Coral Triangle awarded by USAID RDMA, designed several specific objectives to be achieved in next 5 (five) years, as following: I) Strengthen governance and regional policy frameworks for effective and efficient implementation of regional and national policies on sustainable fisheries and climate adaptation; 2) Strengthen communities and other stakeholders as agents of change for coastal and marine conservation, entrepreneurship, and climate resiliency through multistakeholder partnerships and regional platforms; and 3) Enhance the availability and access to sustainable and independent blue financing to support fisheries management, biodiversity conservation, and climate change adaptation and mitigation for sustainable livelihoods in the CT region.

To achieve the objective number I, one of the expected results is improvement of capacity within CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat and the six member countries to govern the transboundary Coral Triangle and formulate integrated fisheries management and climate adaptation policies and strategies.

As part of this expected result, there is a need to update existing climate change adaptation action plans from CT6 countries and design a training program on climate adaptation policies and strategies for all government levels with a focus on gender mainstreaming and involvement of the Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) Working Group. The current state of

CCA action plans varies from each CTI-CFF member country, as each member state is at different stages concerning developing its NPOA for the CTI-CFF.

Under Objective I of the USAID Sustainable Coral Triangle, Expected Result I.2 focuses on improving the capacity within CTI-CFF RS and CT6 countries to govern the transboundary Coral Triangle and formulate integrated fisheries management and climate adaptation policies and strategies. Activity I.2.I specifically targets the enhancement of climate adaptation policies and strategies through comprehensive training sessions.

This activity aligns with the <u>SOM-18 approved 2024 Climate Change Adaptation Working Group</u> (<u>CCA WG</u>) workplan, to conduct workshops to update and disseminate CT6 climate change adaptation action plans. This effort aims to achieve the <u>2nd Regional Plan of Action (RPOA 2.0) Target</u> <u>Output B3.1.2</u>, ensuring that by 2025, relevant existing climate change adaptation action plans are updated, guided by current climate change projections and technology, and disseminated within the CT region.

The training is essential to update existing climate change adaptation action plans from CT6 countries in alignment with current projections and technologies. It aims to integrate gender considerations through the Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) policy framework, ensuring inclusivity and effectiveness in climate resilience strategies.

A technical expert (consultant) will be engaged to review existing climate change adaptation action plans, incorporating insights from the Climate Risk Assessment conducted by the Sustainable Fish Asia Technical Support (SUFIA TS). The expert will develop training materials based on collected data and insights from the Climate Change Adaptation Regional Exchange held from May 15 to 17, 2024, supported by SUFIA TS and CTI-CFF. The expert will facilitate specific training sessions related to climate change adaptation action plans, structured to encourage interactive learning and collaborative policy formulation.

Purpose of Terms of Reference (ToR)

This Terms of Reference (ToR) sets out the role, functions, and procedures applicable for the appointment of a consultant for the update of the existing climate change adaptation action plans for Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Islands and Timor-Leste. The Consultant will operate under this ToR.

Job Mission Description

- I. Update existing climate change adaptation action plans from CT6 countries guided by current climate change projections and technology.
- 2. Design a comprehensive training program on climate adaptation policies and strategies, ensuring the involvement of women (WLF) and the CCA Working Group.
- 3. Facilitate the training session to present the updated CCA action plan

Expected Deliverables

- 1. Updated climate change adaptation action plan.
- 2. Comprehensive agenda, curriculum and report for the training program on climate adaptation policies and strategies.
- 3. Training materials, including presentations, handouts, and exercises.
- 4. Conducted training program/session (planned to hold together with WLF meeting in Bangkok, Thailand on September 11 to 13, 2024) with a report summarizing key outcomes and recommendations for future actions.
- 5. Report on the training session

Engagement Period

The consultant will be engaged for 15 to 20 days based on the deliverables and contract agreement with the CTI-CFF, with all the deliverables expected to be completed by September 2024.

Competency Requirements

Competencies required for this Consultant position include:

- I. Advanced degree in environmental science, climate change adaptation, or a related field.
- 2. Demonstrated experience in updating climate change adaptation action plans and designing training programs on climate adaptation policies and strategies.
- 3. Familiarity with gender mainstreaming principles and experience in integrating gender considerations into policy development and training initiatives.
- 4. Excellent communication and facilitation skills.

Coordination and Reporting

The Consultant will report directly to the Project Manager, USAID Sustainable Coral Triangle, CTI–CFF Regional Secretariat on expected deliverables and scope of work as outlined in the contract agreement with the CTI–CFF.

Submission of Application

 Please submit your cover letter, CV, with at least three work references and scanned copies of certificates to: regional.secretariat@cticff.org in the format <CCA Consultant> <Your Name> by COB July 21, 2024.

- 2. The position is subject to open competition regardless of race, color, gender, mother tongue, religion and beliefs, or national, ethnic, or social origin.
- 3. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for an interview.