



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST(EoI):

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The Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project (KCSAP) is a Government of Kenya initiative Supported by the World Bank. The Project's Development Objective is *"to increase agricultural productivity and build resilience to climate change risks in the targeted smallholder farming and pastoral communities in Kenya, and in the event of an Eligible Crisis or Emergency, to provide immediate and effective response."*

The Project activities will contribute to its development objectives by Up-scaling Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA) Practices and supporting smallholder farmers to adopt integrated climate-smart Technology, Innovation and Management Practices (TIMPs) and also support investments through a community-driven development approach in smallholder agro-pastoral production systems and in pastoral extensive production systems in the Project areas.

The key implementing agents of this project are the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Irrigation; County Departments of Agriculture in the targeted Counties; Kenya Agriculture and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO); and Kenya Meteorological Department (KMD). KCSAP will use the value chain approach. As such, services will be offered along specific value chains in the project areas. Farmers will access services through Producer Groups which are the vehicles for Farmer Empowerment.

Climate Smart Agriculture(CSA) oriented extension principally embraces sustainable approaches to service delivery. To improve accountability and efficiency, KCSAP will contract qualified service providers (consortia) that have a mix of skills to provide advisory services along the segments of proposed agriculture value chains. Prospective consortia are expected to include; individual professionals from agricultural firms, private firms, producer organizations, cooperatives, universities, non-governmental organization (NGO) as well as faith based organizations (FBO). However, existing reputable organization(s) with technical

and administrative capacity to provide advisory services may be considered for the service delivery without necessarily teaming up to form a consortium.

The Project hereby invites eligible consortia to provide technical advisory services to Farmer/ Producer Groups in Baringo County within the following six (6) project wards of **Kapropita, Koibatek, Mogotio, Emining, Tenges and Lembusperkerra** in Baringo County through common interest group approach. The institutions/firms must demonstrate experience in working with smallholder farmers in the provision of Climate Smart Agriculture services at various levels along specific Agricultural value chains. In addition, they must provide information indicating their qualifications or qualifications of the individuals who will perform the services.

The overall objective of the assignment is to provide farmers with extension services that enhance increased productivity, increased resilience to climate change risks and reduced greenhouse gases along four agricultural value chains, which are; 1) **Indigenous Chicken** 2) **Green Grams** 3) **Dairy Cow Milk** and 4) **Sorghum** in Baringo County. The envisaged interventions will aim at improved yields, sustainable land management, water management, rangeland and pasture management, reduced pre and post harvest losses, improved product quality and incomes, introduce competitiveness within the identified value chains, increase the value of basic production through adoption of Climate smart technologies, innovations and management practices, gender and nutritional mainstreaming, integrating environmental and social safeguards, the introduction of transformation and other value added processes, enhance access to local, national, regional and international markets, improve organizational and management skills of the agro-entrepreneurs and improve the incomes of the small scale farmers through the creation of synergies and net workings for sustainable impacts among other benefits accrued from the engagement with the service providing firm/consortium.

Requirements:

The Consortium should provide:

- a) Company Profile including copies of registration certificates, PIN and VAT
- b) Evidence of extensive experience in designing and implementing farmer-based development projects.
- c) Evidence of expertise in capacity building, Climate Smart Agriculture and Agricultural value chain.
- d) Evidence of having relevant participatory skills.

- e) Evidence of knowledge on gender, nutrition, social and environmental safeguards mainstreaming in project implementation.
- f) Evidence of similar work undertaken in the last 3 years including contacts of references.
- g) CVs of the key personnel in the team proposed to undertake the assignment.

Interested and eligible firms may obtain additional information from the office of the County Project Coordinating Unit (CPCU) BARINGO. Completed Expression of Interest in plain envelopes clearly marked **Ref:KCSAP/CPCUBRGO/EOI/1/2019** and indicating the specific value chain the service provider is interested in and should be addressed to:

**Chief Officer Agriculture
BARINGO County.
P.O Box 4 –30400
KABARNET**

These should reach the County Project Coordinator's Office before 11.00am on 21st May 2019.

EOI will be opened on the same day **21st May 2019** starting at 12.00 noon at Department of Agriculture Offices in KABARNET and the firms or their representatives will be free to attend the EOI opening. Request for Proposal documents will thereafter be sent to the successful firms with specific Terms of Reference.

The request for expression of interest (**REOI**) can be downloaded from the following website: **www.baringo.go.ke**