

## INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT PROCUREMENT NOTICE

**Title of consultancy:** Individual Consultant – Training of 40 land use manager on Land Use Conflict Identification Strategy

**COUNTRY: Botswana** 

**DESCRIPTION OF ASSIGNMENT:** Individual Consultant to train 40 land managers and District land Use Planning Unit DLUPU members.

**PROJECT NAME:** Managing the human-wildlife interface to sustain the flow of agro-ecosystem services and prevent illegal wildlife trafficking in the Kgalagadi and Ghanzi Drylands

PERIOD OF ASSIGNMENT/SERVICES: The training should be delivered over a consecutive 5-day period

## 1. BACKGROUND

Natural resources management in the Kalahari landscape is characterized by competition and conflict between conservation goals, economic development and livelihoods. Home to large herds of angulates and iconic predators, the landscape was dominated by low-density wildlife with hunter-gatherer livelihoods until borehole farming enabled cattle ranching a few decades ago. The consequent rangeland degradation and ecosystem fragmentation threatens wildlife and economic development.

Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) meant to support wildlife-based economic activities and secure migratory corridors linking the Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park and the Central Kalahari Game Reserve continue to be lost to livestock encroachment, due to delayed gazettement. Wildlife is under additional threat from poaching, wildlife poisoning and illegal wildlife trade (IWT). The 2014 ban on hunting reduced benefits from CBNRM (which in the context of Botswana has largely been based on consumptive use (i.e. hunting) of wildlife, arguably reducing incentives for conservation. However, this situation could be reversed by the recent lifting of the ban; though details are yet to be availed. Stakeholders lack the planning tools, institutional coordination and

operational capacities to balance competing needs and optimize environment, social and economic outcomes.

In particular, there is weak coordination in tackling poaching, wildlife poisoning and IWT, weak capacities for improving rangeland management in the communal lands and limited incentives for local communities to protect wildlife

**DETAILED TERMS OF REFERENCE** and instructions to bidders should be obtained from: http://procurement-notices.undp.org

## 2. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Proposals should be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly labelled:

"IC: TRAINING OF 40 LAND MANAGERS ON LAND USE CONFLICT IDENTIFICATION of KALAHARI LANDSCAPE)"

- NOT TO BE OPENED BY REGISTRY

and be submitted to:

The Resident Representative United Nations Development Programme P.O. Box 54 Gaborone, Botswana

OR by email to procurement.bw@undp.org

- SUBMISSION DATE: Proposals should be submitted to the address above no later than 12.00 Noon Botswana Time on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019
- **4. REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION:** Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic communication to <a href="mailto:enquiries.bw@undp.org">enquiries.bw@undp.org</a> UNDP Botswana will respond in writing or by standard electronic mail and will send written copies of the response, including an explanation of the query without identifying the source of the inquiry to all prospective candidates.

**NOTE:** Consultancy firms/companies interested in applying for this assignment are free to do so provided they submit a CV of only one qualified consultant and present its bid in a manner that would allow for evaluation of the bid in accordance with the evaluation criteria specified in these solicitation documents. That is, the experience required is that of the individual whose CV would have been submitted by the company rather than that of the company. In this regard, the company by submitting a CV is bidding as an individual bidder rather than a company/firm. Further, if the submitted bid wins, the ensuing contract will be between the UNDP and the company/firm, not the individual.